

B2 ESL WORKSHEET: VOCABULARY & LISTENING FOR DETAILS

Movie Study: *The Pursuit of Happyness* (Job Interview Scene)

PART 1: Vocabulary in Context

Instructions: Fill in each blank with the correct word or phrase from the Word Bank below.

Word Bank: *earnestness* / *diligence* / *determined* / *team player* / *come up with* / *failure to* / *learn on your own* / *gizmo* / *I'd like to think so* / *have on*

1. She showed great _____ in her studies, spending hours at the library every evening.
2. If you don't know the exact name of a small electronic gadget, you can informally call it a _____.
3. He was fined by the city court for _____ pay his traffic violations on time.
4. I needed to _____ an innovative marketing strategy before the Monday morning deadline.
5. When the interviewer asked if she was qualified for the executive role, she modestly replied, '_____.'
6. To succeed in a modern corporation, you must be a flexible _____ who collaborates well with others.
7. Despite facing multiple rejections, the applicant remained _____ to secure the internship.
8. His speech was delivered with deep _____, convincing everyone of his sincerity and honest intentions.
9. What kind of professional suit did the candidate _____ during his presentation yesterday?
10. In today's digital world, if you want to master new computer software, you often have to _____.

PART 2: Listening for Details (10-Blank Gap-Fill)

Instructions: Listen to the clip from *The Pursuit of Happyness* interview scene. Complete each blank with **EXACTLY ONE WORD** that you hear in the audio.

Chris: I've been sitting out there for the last half hour trying to come up with a story that would explain my being here dressed like this. And I wanted to come up with a story that would demonstrate qualities that I'm sure you all admire here, like (1) _____ or (2) _____ or team playing, and I couldn't think of anything. So the truth is, I was arrested for (3) _____ to pay parking tickets and I ran all the way here from the police (4) _____.

Mr. Twistle: Jay says you're pretty (5) _____. He's been waiting outside the front of the building with some 40-pound (6) _____ for over a month.

Mr. Twistle: Have you already started learning on your (7) _____?

Chris: Absolutely.

Chris: But I was also first in my (8) _____ class in the Navy, and that was a class of 20.

Chris: I'm the type of person, if you ask me a question and I don't know the answer, I'm gonna tell you that I don't know. But I (9) _____ you what, I know how to find the answer...

Interviewer: What would you say if a guy walked in for an interview without a shirt on and I hired him? What would you say?

Chris: He must have had on some really nice (10) _____.

TEACHER'S ANSWER KEY