# Vocabulary in context

## 1 Choose the best answer

Choose A, B, C or D. In 8, choose the pair that completes both gaps in order.

**1.** The trial produced encouraging results, _____ from a relatively small sample.

**A.** essential **B.** albeit **C.** viable **D.** pristine

**2.** Access to clean water is _____ for human survival.

**A.** loathsome **B.** groundbreaking **C.** viable **D.** essential

**3.** The proposal is financially _____: projected income comfortably exceeds costs.

**A.** viable **B.** pristine **C.** loathsome **D.** essential

**4.** The novel portrays a _____ character who takes pleasure in other people's suffering.

**A.** pristine **B.** viable **C.** loathsome **D.** groundbreaking

**5.** Her _____ research introduced an entirely new approach to treating the disease.

**A.** essential **B.** groundbreaking **C.** pristine **D.** viable

**6.** Unlike her _____, the new director favours flexible working hours.

**A.** ancestor **B.** descendant **C.** predecessor **D.** innovation

**7.** The technology has enormous _____, but further testing is needed before it can be used.

**A.** inclusion **B.** cultivation **C.** revulsion **D.** potential

**8.** Please _____ the original study; I seem to have lost _____ of its main argument.

**A.** cite / sight **B.** sight / cite
**C.** cite / cite **D.** sight / sight

## 2 Match the words to their meanings

Write the correct letter beside each word. Two meanings are extra.

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|---|---|
| **1.** fraction ___ | **A.** a strong feeling of disgust |
| **2.** pristine ___ | **B.** someone who held a position before another person |
| **3.** inclusion ___ | **C.** the act of making someone or something part of a group |
| **4.** innovation ___ | **D.** an important discovery or advance that overcomes a difficulty |
| **5.** defect ___ | **E.** a small part or proportion of something |
| **6.** revulsion ___ | **F.** the capacity to develop or achieve success |
| **7.** cultivation ___ | **G.** the process of preparing land and growing crops |
| **8.** breakthrough ___ | **H.** the introduction of new ideas, methods or products |
| | **I.** in its original condition; unspoilt or perfectly clean |
| | **J.** a fault that makes something imperfect or less effective |



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# Expressions in sentences

## 3 Complete the sentences

Use the expressions in the box. Two are extra. Use each answer once.

nod off • descendant • pull off • brush off • cut off • let him off • see her off • ancestor • set off • investigate

**1.** The safety team will _____ the cause of the accident before recommending changes.

**2.** The family tree shows that one of her distant relatives, an _____ born in 1780, was a sailor.

**3.** As a direct _____ of the author, she is related to him through an unbroken line of children and grandchildren.

**4.** It was his first minor offence, so the officer decided to _____ with a warning rather than issue a fine.

**5.** The room was warm and the lecture was dull; I struggled not to _____ in my chair.

**6.** With almost no funding, nobody thought the team could _____ such an ambitious project, but they succeeded.

**7.** My sister is flying abroad tomorrow. We are going to the airport to _____ and say goodbye.

**8.** To avoid the morning traffic, we plan to _____ on our journey before dawn.



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