Failure

Notice the collocations relating to failure in these extracts from a newspaper called *Today's Bad News*.

Unfortunately the peace talks now seem likely to **1.**_____. [be totally unsuccessful]

Although a lot of money was invested in the film it has proved to be a **2.**_____. [extremely unsuccessful]

O'Connor's first play was a great success but his second **3.**_____. [failed to attract audiences]

4._____ that the play would enjoy a long run in London _____. [hopes have had to be abandoned]

Unfortunately, more pupils than ever are said to be **5.**_____ their final _____.

The mountaineer's attempt to climb Mt Everest **6.**_____.

Everyone agrees that the peace talks are 7._____. [are certain to fail]

Hopes were initially high for the new project but it has proved to be a 8._____. [a total failure]

A couple of major companies in the area 9._____ last month. [stopped doing business]

I think the new plans for cutting railway costs 10._____. [will certainly lead to major problems]

At the last moment the Olympic ski jumper **11.**_____ and did not take part in the competition. [was not brave enough]

The President's speech was disappointing as it totally **12.**_____. [failed to understand what is really important]

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