

2. Choose the correct item.

- 1 Harry was offered a scholarship to study in Spain and he the opportunity with both hands.
A grasped B grabbed C held D passed
- 2 No way will you beat him. You don't a chance. He's a hundred times better than you are.
A hold B run C possess D stand
- 3 It was by chance that we managed to find her.
A sheerly B purely C plainly D highly
- 4 Both the favourite and then the second favourite pulled out. Naturally, we thought we were a chance.
A in with B up for C in for D up with
- 5 A full scholarship to Harvard and you're worried about leaving your job? Get real! You'd be a fool to up a chance like that.
A turn B brush C pass D cast
- 6 We knew the concert was sold out, but we still went to the stadium the off-chance that someone might want to sell us their tickets.
A with B by C on D in
- 7 He admitted taking a bribe and he doesn't think he's his chances of getting re-elected?
A pulled B wiped C thrown D blown
- 8 Given the appalling weather conditions on top of the mountain, I'd say the chances of their finding any survivors are very indeed.
A narrow B lean C remote D shallow
- 9 I suppose that there is a chance that he could win, but I can't see it happening, myself.
A thin B slim C meagre D short
- 10 If someone offered me a posting in South Africa, I'd at the chance.
A bound B jump C grab D seize

3. For questions 1 to 10 below, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using 3 to 8 words. You must include the word given in bold, which cannot be changed in any way.



- 1 Tom's coach said that he didn't think he would be fit enough to compete.
doubtful Tom's coach said enough to compete.
- 2 I'm sure they will complain about the delay.
certain They about the delay.
- 3 It's very unlikely that he will continue racing once this season has finished.
probability He will, once this season has finished.
- 4 All the signs point to a steady economic recovery over the next two years.
indication There's economic recovery over the next two years.
- 5 He stands little chance of winning.
odds The winning.
- 6 "He will probably fail in the attempt," she said.
unlikely She said that he was
- 7 It's more than likely that he will call an election in the next two months.
likelihood There's in the next two months.
- 8 Meteorologists say that we will probably have a hard winter this year.
chances According to meteorologists, a hard winter this year.
- 9 I'm sure he knows by now.
bound He's out by now.
- 10 He never planned to become an actor. It just happened.
purely It was an actor.

