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1. As Vick has not been doing well in all his tests, Miss Wu is _____ about his progress.
 (1) careful (2) cautious
 (3) confident (4) concerned
2. The young man will inherit a large _____ of money from his aunt.
 (1) portion (2) piece
 (3) sum (4) ration
3. The taxi _____ to let the other vehicles pass.
 (1) pulled in (2) pulled round
 (3) pulled away (4) pulled over
4. After ten years, my former teacher is still able to _____ me.
 (1) notice (2) recognise
 (3) realise (4) admit
5. After all that hard work, he was _____.
 (1) energetic (2) exhausted
 (3) patient (4) proactive
6. After years on the run, the renegade decided to give himself up to the police.
 (1) report (2) surrender
 (3) transfer (4) submit
7. A great number of pupils are in favour of extending the recess time.
 (1) The majority (2) The minority
 (3) The maximum (4) The minimum
8. With months of coaching, she was getting better at playing table tennis.
 (1) advancing (2) performing
 (3) improving (4) regressing
9. The concert went well and finished with a grand finale.
 (1) halted (2) stopped
 (3) ended (4) paused
10. I think Rashidah is perusing a storybook at the corner of the bookshop.
 (1) browsing through (2) glancing at
 (3) inspecting (4) examining



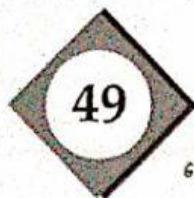
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1. Please add a _____ drops of hydrochloric acid into the test tube.
(1) little (2) few
(3) much (4) some
2. This is the _____ room in the hotel.
(1) big (2) bigger
(3) biggest (4) as big as
3. "It is not wise to trust a stranger _____ so much money," warned Jaffar.
(1) in (2) to
(3) for (4) with
4. If not for your _____, everything would have gone smoothly.
(1) interfere (2) interfering
(3) interferes (4) interference
5. None of his friends can act, sing and dance like _____.
(1) his (2) him
(3) their (4) them
6. _____ her teachers and friends, the girl did well in her examination.
(1) Encouraged by (2) Encouraged from
(3) Encouraged with (4) Encouraged at
7. According to reports, one in every five school children _____ short-sighted today.
(1) is (2) are
(3) was (4) were
8. Tickets to the concert _____ be available at the entrance.
(1) can (2) ought
(3) will (4) need
9. None of the children _____ the answer to the riddle.
(1) know (2) knows
(3) have known (4) are knowing
10. If the cook adds more salt, the soup _____ too salty.
(1) is (2) was
(3) will be (4) has been



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1. Harridasan is always very _____ for all his appointments.
(1) fast (2) early
(3) punctual (4) apt
2. The teacher warned her kindergarten pupils not to _____ sweets from strangers.
(1) accept (2) receive
(3) admit (4) reject
3. The _____ of the bell broke the silence of the room.
(1) ticking (2) clinking
(3) ringing (4) shuffling
4. As he wanted to get home as soon as possible, he walked _____ homeward.
(1) patiently (2) casually
(3) slowly (4) hurriedly
5. Donating blood can help to _____ lives.
(1) cure (2) save
(3) restore (4) recover
6. The jewels that the model is wearing now is worth a great deal of money.
(1) a ransom (2) a portion
(3) a profit (4) a fortune
7. Unless the number of cars on the roads is cut down, traffic jams will increase considerably.
(1) reduced (2) halved
(3) increased (4) improved
8. As he does not know anyone, he stood aloof at the party.
(1) in a crowded part (2) together with the others
(3) apart from others (4) in the company of friends
9. Nobody likes Guoxing as he is a person who likes to boast.
(1) coward (2) bluff
(3) bully (4) braggart
10. The toddler laughed quietly when I tickled her.
(1) chuckled (2) whined
(3) wheezed (4) yelled



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1. Neither my sister nor her friends _____ to attend the function tonight.
(1) plan (2) plans (3) planned (4) planning
2. My uncle is willing to buy a new motorcycle if he _____ able to sell his old one.
(1) is (2) are (3) was (4) were
3. Have you seen my blouse? I can't find _____ anywhere.
(1) them (2) it (3) me (4) theirs
4. The audience was shocked when the tiger _____ was performing attacked its trainer.
(1) who (2) whom (3) which (4) whose
5. The fat boy could not _____ with the rest of his friends for their morning jog.
(1) keep in (2) keep away (3) keep on (4) keep up
6. There are two routes to the park. Which is the _____ one?
(1) short (2) shorten (3) shorter (4) shortest
7. Whales and sharks are protected animals due to their _____ numbers.
(1) decline (2) declines (3) declined (4) declining
8. The girls will not start cooking dinner _____ the boys help out.
(1) if (2) unless (3) as (4) while
9. Timothy _____ mischievous when he played a prank on his classmates this morning.
(1) is (2) is being (3) has being (4) was being
10. My sister's bedroom furniture _____ made of oak.
(1) is (2) are (3) was (4) were

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1. It was _____ of Regina to claim the credit for herself.
 (1) unkind (2) unfit
 (3) unable (4) unfair
2. She could not forgive him for spreading _____ about her.
 (1) rumours (2) news
 (3) stories (4) reports
3. We gave him a _____ on his back to commend him on a job well done.
 (1) tap (2) slap
 (3) pat (4) punch
4. Oliver was _____ by the owner for returning his lost dog.
 (1) rewarded (2) congratulated
 (3) commended (4) awarded
5. Since she has nothing to do at home, she _____ to work at the orphanage.
 (1) ordered (2) volunteered
 (3) applied (4) threatened
6. We were invited to a sumptuous feast last evening.
 (1) magnificent (2) tremendous
 (3) gorgeous (4) meagre
7. The young boy likes doing things on his own.
 (1) secretly (2) humbly
 (3) independently (4) ardently
8. We were very angry when Henry did not turn up.
 (1) was absent (2) was present
 (3) was late (4) was missing
9. The members of parliament were chosen by voting.
 (1) selected (2) picked
 (3) elected (4) chosen
10. The thieves moved silently and secretly into the house and stole all the valuables.
 (1) strode (2) crept
 (3) scampered (4) cowered