

Form compound words with *under* or *over* and the correct form of the verbs in the box to complete the sentences.

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1. That poor cat looks _____ . Let's give it something to eat.
2. Excuse me, but I think you've _____ me. I didn't order all these things on the receipt.
3. Teachers have a very difficult job, but unfortunately they are usually _____ and some complain that they can't make ends meet.
4. Try not to _____ the word *nice* in your next essay. There are lots of other words you can replace it with.
5. That TV programme is _____. I don't see why so many people like it.
6. I have _____ his talent. I didn't know he was capable of making these paintings.
7. This steak is _____. It's almost black.
8. We are looking into why so many smart students are _____. Perhaps we have to improve our teaching methods.

Choose a, b, c or d.

1. A local environmental group is insisting on a 50% reduction in carbon dioxide ___ from factories.

- a. chemicals
- b. footprints
- c. consumptions
- d. emissions

2. Protecting the environment is everyone's ___.

- a. initiative
- b. maintenance
- c. responsibility
- d. attitude

3. How can we safely ___ of toxic waste?

- a. dispose
- b. economise
- c. lack
- d. limit

4. Protected areas are essential for ___ the diversity of species.

- a. preventing
- b. evolving
- c. conserving
- d. investing

5. Have you read about the new wind ___? It will generate enough electricity to supply all the island's electricity needs.

- a. exhibit
- b. pool
- c. habitat
- d. farm

6. The ban on cars in the city centre aims to reduce ___.

- a. particles
- b. smog
- c. fuels
- d. gas

7. You can't leave that there. It's a health ___.

a. poison c. fume

b. hazard d. state

8. We must do more to __ global warming.

a. cool c. decline

b. reverse d. clear

9. The university applied for more government __ to continue research.

a. installation c. funding

b. development d. proposal

10. I only buy __ cleaning products because it's something I can do to protect the environment.

a. intensive c. captive

b. eco-friendly d. long-term

Complete with the correct preposition.

1. Deforestation is one of the biggest threats _____ wildlife habitats.

2. They are trying to find a solution _____ traffic congestion in big cities.

3. Renting this flat has the advantage _____ having low electricity bills because of the solar panels.

4. There has been a decrease _____ pollution since the improvements to the public transport system.

5. There has been an increase _____ sales of organic food in our village.

6. Have they reported any damage _____ the bridge?

7. We need to consider the effect of global warming _____ wildlife.
8. We are hoping that the new law will have a positive impact _____ the environment.
9. She emphasised the importance _____ education in raising awareness about environmental issues.

Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two extra words which you do not need to use.

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Connecting to the Grid

Just imagine if, while you were checking your email, your computer was working on a possible cure for cancer. Or while you were waiting at the bus stop, your smartphone was researching new **1** _____ energy techniques.

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Complete the sentences using the Past Simple, the Past Perfect Simple or the Past Perfect Progressive of the verbs in brackets.

1. We (walk) for about an hour before we (see) any birds.
2. It was the first time I (ever /swim) _____ with dolphins. It (be) _____ an amazing experience!
3. Pollution (rise) _____ at an alarming rate when they (decide) _____ to create bicycle lanes throughout the city.
4. By the time we (reach) _____ Longdale, we (hike) _____ for almost ten hours.
5. Raymond (call) _____ all the local environmental groups by noon.

6. How long (Oliver / work) _____ as a lawyer, before he (start)
_____ working in Environmental Law?

7. Paula (warn) _____ people about climate change long before it
(become) _____ a common topic in the news.

8. Ian (study) _____ orangutans in the wild for three months when
he (get) _____ a phone call from Professor Rinkind.