EXERCISES

1 Choose the best options to complete the sentences.

1 Too many meetings *kill / result from* motivation at work.
2 Success *leads to / is the result of* luck and hard work.
3 Bad weather usually *arises from people driving / makes more people drive* to work.
4 The failure of the business *fostered / was a consequence of* bad management.
5 Bonuses often *bring about / arise from* improved sales results.
6 The band's appearance in a cola advert *contributed to / was the result of* sales.

2 Complete the sentences with these expressions.

arise	bring	consequence
foster	kill	lead

1 Poor performance is a _____ of low investment.
2 Conflicts often _____ from poor communication.
3 Changes in management can _____ to improved results.
4 Flexitime can _____ a positive attitude among workers.
5 A big success will usually _____ about strong feelings of satisfaction.
6 Strong negative criticism can _____ creativity.

3 Match each sentence (1–6) with a possible ending (a–c).

1 Traffic in the town centre gives rise to
2 Severe traffic problems make
3 Traffic delays often result from
4 Unexpectedly high traffic volumes often produce
5 Traffic jams are often the result of
6 Road works often cause

a road works.
b commuter delays.
c people late for work.

4 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 hard / is / of / result / success / the / work
_____.
2 contributes / feelings / happiness / of / sunny / to / weather
_____.
3 you / trust / people / makes / honest / being
_____.
4 communication / foster / good / in / offices / open / spaces
_____.
5 consequence / management / low / of / is / a / productivity / poor
_____.
6 high / increased / lead / sales / sales / targets / to
_____.

5 Join the two phrases using the word in brackets.

1 bad diet, poor health (rise)
_____
2 increased productivity, regular breaks (results)
_____
3 back pain, bad posture (contributes)
_____
4 lack of sleep, poor work performance (cause)
_____
5 people angry, inappropriate phone use (make)
_____
6 networking, increased opportunities (lead)
_____

6 Rewrite the sentences using the word in bold.

1 He resigned as he was stressed. **account**
He resigned on account of stress.
2 Due to an increased workload this year, I will no longer be able to play in the football team. **result**
_____
3 She decided to quit her job because she wanted to spend some time travelling. **That's why**
_____
4 Since he had taken early retirement, he wasn't able to draw his full pension. **Consequently**
_____
5 I got a pay rise, so I've been able to start looking for my own flat at last. **thanks**
_____
6 Only one of the team could be promoted, which resulted in tensions in the office. **thus**
_____

7 Correct the mistake in each sentence.

1 Unreasonable demands from managers result unhappy employees.
_____
2 Employee dissatisfaction consequences of low pay and poor working conditions.
_____
3 Poor computer security rises to possible loss of data.
_____
4 Company restructuring leads to employees feel insecure.
_____
5 Constant negativity from management results to frustrated employees.
_____
6 Training contributes a safer work environment.
_____

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