FCE Gold – Unit 9

Match the words with the sentences

BY CHANCE **TAKE A CHANCE** **BY ANY CHANCE** **THERE'S NO CHANCE** **THE CHANCE**

I didn´t complete any of the exercises of my exam.

I accidentally bumped into Matt yesterday.

I´m glad I have the opportunity to show my talent.

You are not hungry yet, are you?

I think I´ll take a risk and employ him.

Paraphrase

1 We weren´t the winners because our best players weren't playing. (**COULD**)

We _____ if our best players had been playing.

2 I don't like missing goals. I get upset. (**WHEN**)

I get upset _____ _____ goals.

3 Get them to take you on, then we can have a party. (**IF**)

We _____ you get that job.

4 She did well because he helped her. (**NOT**)

She _____ well if he hadn't helped her.

5 He didn't win the race because he was tired. (**WOULD**)

He _____ if he hadn't been tired.

6 We want to buy a a place to live, but we haven't got enough money. (**HAD**)

If _____ we'd buy a house.

Read and choose the best answer to complete

Julia became interested in basketball **1** ____ chance. Her best friend had a spare ticket for a match and Julia didn't want to **2** ____ an opportunity to spend time with her friend so she agreed to go. To her surprise she really enjoyed herself and decided to join a club. The team captain told her that if she trained hard, she could be in with a **3** ____ of getting on the team. So, Julia **4** ____ herself the goal of achieving this in six months. She had to **5** ____ problems with injuries at first because she wasn't very fit. She started to think that there was **6** ____ chance she would succeed. However, she made progress and managed to **7** ____ her target of getting on the team. The captain said he was happy to **8** ____ a chance on Julia because she'd worked so hard.

1	**A** at	**B** to	**C** by	**D** in
2	**A** miss	**B** reach	**C** give	**D** achieve
3	**A** goal	**B** chance	**C** target	**D** opportunity
4	**A** set	**B** fulfilled	**C** won	**D** accomplish
5	**A** cope	**B** beat	**C** win	**D** overcome
6	**A** good	**B** slight	**C** any	**D** no
7	**A** waste	**B** reach	**C** give up	**D** win
8	**A** give up	**B** take	**C** miss	**D** have

Complete the text with one word

Planning for the future is necessary for everyone – you can't just leave everything **1** ___ chance. First of all, it's important to have aims in life so it's clear when you accomplish something. When you manage to **2** ___ an ambition, you get a sense of satisfaction. This often encourages people to plan to do more things with their lives.

If you **3** ___ a success of something, you want to have that feeling again. On the other hand, there are also people who can't **4** ___ with such challenges. They think they have no chance of being successful, and tend to **5** ___ opportunities that come into their lives and have little **6** ___ to achieve new goals. They are also more likely to **7** ___ in their plans because they have little self-belief. So, planning for the future can help us do more and do it well.

Put the verbs in brackets in the correct form

1 I _____ (come) with you if you had told me earlier.

2 They might be able to help you if you _____ (ask) them.

3 He runs much better when the weather _____ (be) warmer.

4 If we _____ (have) tickets, we would go to the match.

5 We _____ (go) out for dinner if you win the race.

6 What _____ (you/do) differently if you'd had the chance?

7 If she won the lottery, she _____ (not/stop) working.

8 They could have been world champions if they _____ (train) harder.

9 Who _____ (you/be) if you could be someone else for a day?