FILL IN THE GAPS: with the correct form of the verb in brackets

1. _____ (give) up chocolate is a good idea, but if you intend _____ (lose) ten kilos in three months you'll have to do a lot more than that!
2. Hurry up! I don't want to risk _____ (miss) the train!
3. I don't mind _____ (look) after the neighbour's cat for a week, but I refuse _____ (have) it here in the house.
4. Has it stopped _____ (rain) yet?
5. By the time we _____ (get) to the party they _____ (eat) all the food. In fact, it was so late that most of the guests _____ (already / leave) and only two or three people _____ (still / dance)
6. We tried _____ (put) the fire out but we were unsuccessful. We had to call the fire brigade.
7. We'd really like _____ (live) in the city centre but it's virtually impossible _____ (find) a three-bedroomed flat at a price we can afford _____ (pay).
8. The baby began _____ (cry) in the middle of the night.
9. It was a nice day, so we decided _____ (go) for a walk.
10. When I _____ (hear) about the motorway accident on the radio, I immediately _____ (phone) my son to check that he _____ (get) back safely. He _____ (tell) me he _____ (take) a different route home.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE: decide which option (A, B, C, D) best fits each gap

1. Where have you been? You were _____ to be here half an hour ago!
   A. allowed **B.** supposed **C.** had **D.** allowed to
2. A person who is a bit boring is _____.
   A. clumsy **B.** dull **C.** affectionate **D.** bossy
3. Olympiakos _____ 0-0 with Real Madrid in the first leg of the semi-final in Athens.
   A. drew **B.** equalled **C.** equalized **D.** shared
4. It's a strange relationship; they don't seem to have anything in _____
   A. a go **B.** influence **C.** common **D.** the strength
5. I've never really enjoyed _____ sport.
   A. going on **B.** taking up **C.** practising **D.** doing
6. We'd _____ make too much noise; we might wake the baby up.
   A. better not **B.** shouldn't **C.** mustn't **D.** ought not to
7. The rules are very clear. You know you _____ wear jewellery to school.
   A. mustn't **B.** don't have to **C.** don't need to **D.** allowed to
8. A famous actor who people know very well is a _____ actor.
   A. famous **B.** well-known **C.** well-knowed **D.** good-knew
9. The home side _____ 76-75 in a thrilling game of basketball.

A. won **B.** beat **C.** scored **D.** marked

10. The best thing about my job is that I _____ to get up early. I don't start until 10 a.m.

A. needn't **B.** don't have to **C.** 'm not supposed **D.** shouldn't

OPEN CLOZE: complete the gaps. Use only one word in each gap or a '-' if it should be empty.

1. When his wife was seriously ill, he decided to _____ some time _____ to look after her.
2. I've told you before, you _____ hand in your homework to me on time – I don't want ___ _____ ___ tell you again!
3. You can take _____ dogs and _____ other pets into _____ Britain but they have to have _____ passport and wear _____ microchip under their skin. _____ "passport" is in fact _____ health certificate and _____ microchip contains _____ information such as _____ address of the pet and its telephone number.
4. The reason _____ we're going skiing in March is because it's much cheaper then. Obviously we'd prefer to go in January _____ the snow's better but we can't afford it.
5. Leslie: 'I'm looking forward to this concert. Have you got _____ tickets?'
   Linda: 'Oh no!' I've left them at _____ home. Don't worry, though. I'll get _____ taxi – I can be there and back in half _____ hour.'
6. She takes _____ her father; they're both as disorganised as each other.
7. I'm sorry I can't come to your party but thank you very much for _____ me.
8. The cheetah, _____can run at a speed of 110 kilometres an hour, is the _____ animal in the world.
9. I lost that necklace _____ I was wearing on Friday _____ made me very unpopular at home. It belonged to my eldest sister _____ boyfriend gave it to her for her birthday.
10. My husband's a police officer so he _____ _____. He prefers working nights; that way he gets to see more of the kids.

WORD FORMATION: for questions 1-10 use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits the space in the same line.

1. There was some _____ about who should be team captain. **AGREE**
2. I didn't really enjoy the film. The special effects were OK but the plot was rather dull and _____. **INTEREST**
3. You obviously _____ when I set the homework. You've done the wrong exercise. **UNDERSTAND**
4. I got so _____ when my dad starts singing. **EMBARRASS**

5. I keep telling you you're _____; those trousers are far too tight for you now! **WEIGH**
6. Derek is so _____. You can never trust him to arrive on time for anything. **RELY**
7. *Scream* was probably the most _____ film I've never seen. **FRIGHT**
8. It was quite _____ to read so many negative reviews of the film. Critics wrote that the main characters were _____, but personally, I was very _____ by the quality of the acting and would certainly recommend the film to other people. **ANNOY** **CONVINCE** **IMPRESS**
9. You look a little _____. Don't you understand what you have to do in this exercise? **CONFUSE**
10. He always asks me what I think he should do. He seems _____ of making his own decisions. **CAPABLE**

TRANSFORMATIONS: for questions 1-10, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. DO NOT CHANGE THE WORD GIVEN. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

1. All the other chairs in the room are more comfortable than this one.
   comfortable
   This is the _____ the room.
2. I can't play tennis very well.
   good
   I _____ playing tennis.
3. It's impossible for me not to laugh when he starts singing.
   help
   I can't _____ when he starts singing.
4. It's not a good idea to travel during the rush hour.
   avoid
   It's better to _____ the rush hour.
5. I'm glad smoking is prohibited on public transport.
   allowed
   I'm glad you _____ on public transport.
6. I enjoyed myself so much I didn't want to come home.
   good
   I had _____time I didn't want to come home.
7. The stadium was always full on the day of the cup final.
   used
   The stadium _____ full on the day of the cup final.
8. The food was so delicious that I couldn't stop eating.

such

It was _____ I couldn't stop eating.

9. I eat more if I smoke less.

the

The less _____I eat.

10. Don't let me forget to call my sister.

phone

Remind _____.