

WORD FORMATION 2

A- Use the word given in **CAPITALS** to form a word that fits the gap.

1. The _____ is planning to increase taxes. **GOVERN**
2. It was _____ of you to leave granny alone with the cooking. She's 98! **RESPONSIBILITY**
3. The theatres were closed on Saturday and Sunday for routine _____. **MAINTAIN**
4. _____ haven't found a cure for cancer yet. **SCIENCE**
5. Frank's biggest _____ is his lack of commitment. **WEAK**
6. It would be more _____ to switch the machine off at night. **ECONOMY**
7. Stress and eating disorder can _____ the immune system. **WEAK**
8. The swimming-pool ranges from 1 to 3 metres in _____. **DEEP**
9. He never ceased to be amazed by his daughter's physical _____. **STRONG**
10. Sam's about the same _____ as his sister now. **HIGH**
11. What's the _____ of this table? **WIDE**
12. We are trying to do our job in a more _____ responsible way. **ENVIRONMENT**
13. People are scared they will lose their homes if there is an _____ recession. **ECONOMY**
14. The film was in German with Spanish _____. **TITLE**
15. Brandon's new movie wasn't very _____ at the box office. **SUCCESS**

B- Read the text. Use the word given in **CAPITALS** to form a word that fits the gap.

The Cave of the Crystals

The Mexican state of Chihuahua is home to one of the (1).....(**NATURE**) wonders of the world - The Cave of the Crystals. Discovered (2).....(**ACCIDENT**) in 2000 by miners drilling a tunnel, the cave lies about 350m below the surface of the Naica Mountains. It contains over 170 of the largest natural crystals ever found — one of them measures about 11m and weighs more than 5500kg. The (3).....(**CREATE**) of these large crystals probably began as a result of volcanic (4).....(**ACTIVE**) 26 million years ago. Tiny crystals were formed and, over the centuries, the extreme heat in the caves has encouraged the (5).....(**GROW**) of these giant structures. The crystals look cool and ice-like, but don't be fooled! Due to the (6).....(**PRESENT**) of hot springs nearby, the temperature is 44°C. It is so hot that visitors have to wear (7).....(**PROTECT**) suits and carry backpacks of ice-cooled air to (8).....(**SURE**) they can survive for just a few minutes.

In the Naica Mountains there are three other (9).....(**INCREDIBLE**) beautiful caves. One contains magnificent crystals shaped like candles, and the current (10).....(**BELIEVE**) amongst scientists is that these have developed over just the last twenty years. There are probably even more (11).....(**FASCINATE**) caves waiting to be found under Chihuahua's Naica Mountains.