1) Unless there's something that needs sorting _____ urgently, your first few months in the role will be better spent _____ understanding the people and the situation.
2) It takes the pressure _____ them, and it satisfies their natural urge to leave the solving of problems _____ others.
3) Try using existing resources to identify the current position and the ways to change it _____ the better.
4) Start by consulting widely, beginning _____ the people who now report _____ you direct.
5) From their answers you can build _____ a picture of your people, as well as of the issues.
6) Others may just concentrate _____ their own particular concerns.
7) You will also have had personal contact with each person and can judge who you will work well _____ the future.
8) Overlap _____ their responses is a useful pointer _____ the priorities needing your attention.
9) If there is no duplication _____ problems or solutions, it means that you have inherited a disunited group.
10) At the same time, consult _____ customers, be open _____ criticism and _____ praise.
11) Compare the views of your department _____ this external viewpoint.
12) While you are data-gathering, have a look _____ the figures.
13) You probably lack knowledge _____ which company products are profitable.
14) Together, plot the solutions on a big graph, with one axis relating _____ the amount of difference the action would make, and the other axis _____ the ease of implementation.
15) This will prompt useful discussion _____ the issues and the means of resolving them.