

**Complete the article. Use words formed from the words in CAPITALS at the end of some of the lines.**

My attempts to communicate in a foreign language often (0) misfire I tried **FIRE**  
to speak Greek while I was on holiday in Mykonos a few years ago but the  
attempt was completely (1) \_\_\_\_\_! **SUCCESSFUL**  
So, there I was in a traditional Greek restaurant, where I tried to order in Greek.  
At first, the waiter (2) \_\_\_\_\_ me for a German and started **TAKE**  
speaking to me in German. I find it (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to communicate **POSSIBLE**  
in German, so I carried on with Greek. The waiter (4) \_\_\_\_\_ **UNDERSTAND**  
and instead of mushrooms, he brought me beetroots, which I  
(5) \_\_\_\_\_ intensely. I must have looked very unhappy because **LIKE**  
he started apologising and then (6) \_\_\_\_\_ into the kitchen. This **APPEAR**  
time he came back with a plate of aubergines, which, (7) \_\_\_\_\_, **FORTUNATELY**  
is not one of my favourite dishes either. I ate them anyway and asked for the  
bill.  
When the waiter came back with the bill, I told him that he had  
(8) \_\_\_\_\_ me - I must have sounded quite angry. But it was my **CHARGE**  
mistake again. I had (9) \_\_\_\_\_ the bill, as the waiter explained **READ**  
later, in excellent English!  
Luckily for me, English is still a(n) (10) \_\_\_\_\_ language! **NATIONAL**