

*The Ants and the Grasshopper*

Q1 One winter's day when the sun was shining you could hear the ..... of great activity.  
 (a) move (b) sound (c) moving (d) sounding

Q2 What you could hear was the ants who were ..... drying grain.  
 (a) active (b) doing (c) busy (d) business

Q3 Sensibly as all ants do, they had ..... the grain during the summer.  
 (a) assembled (b) assumed (c) brought (d) collected

Q4 Their plan was to eat this ..... during the winter.  
 (a) provision (b) providing (c) provider (d) provided

Q5 They were so ..... in their work that they didn't notice a grasshopper.  
 (a) enveloped (b) engrossed (c) encompassed (d) enlarged

Q6 The grasshopper was so weak he was practically ..... because he hadn't eaten for ages.  
 (a) straining (b) stalking (c) starving (d) streaming

Q7 He saw the ants and ..... them with all the strength he could find to let him have a little food.  
 (a) begged (b) bade (c) bid (d) bartered

Q8 The ants shook their heads at him and asked him why he hadn't ..... up food in the summer.  
 (a) stood (b) stored (c) stoked (d) stopped

Q9 The poor grasshopper ..... he had spent the whole summer enjoying himself singing and dancing.  
 (a) confused (b) confessed (c) continued (d) contented

Q10 All the ants laughed and said in that case he would have to dance ..... to bed in the winter.  
 (a) famous (b) familiar (c) faded (d) famished