

TASK 1

Read each short situation carefully. Choose the BEST word from the box to complete the sentence. The box contains 7 extra words that do NOT fit any situation.

Example: Tom has never been to Japan, but he thinks sushi is raw fish with rice. → This is just an _____. → **assumption**

overwhelmed | leverage | carve out | perplexed | affordable | circumstances | sustainable | hesitation | embarrassment | relate to | assigned | capabilities | assumption | tension | irritate | acknowledged | viscous

1. The report covered every aspect of the project, risks, budget, timeline, and team feedback.
→ It was a _____ report.
2. Maria has three project deadlines tomorrow, her child is sick, and her laptop just crashed. She sits at her desk, stares at the screen, and feels unable to start anything.
→ Maria feels completely _____.
3. You want to learn guitar, but you work full-time. You decide to practice just 15 minutes every morning before breakfast.
→ You are trying to _____ some time for practice.
4. Due to unforeseen _____, we had to postpone the launch.
→ _____ (external factors beyond our control)
5. During the negotiation, Lena used her connection with the marketing director to get approval for her proposal faster.
→ Lena _____ her connection to gain an advantage.
6. I can really _____ what you're saying — I've been in that situation too.
→ _____ (feel empathy or connection)
7. Alex doesn't have much money, but he really wants to travel. He finds budget hostels, uses credit card points, and cooks his own meals.
→ Alex is trying to make his trip _____.
8. The new policy is _____ designed to help small businesses, not large corporations.
→ _____ (means *exactly* or *for this purpose only*)

9. She paused for a moment before answering, unsure if it was the right thing to say.
→ She answered without _____.
10. The instructions were written in such complicated language that Tom read them three times and still couldn't understand what to do.
→ Tom felt _____ by the instructions.

TASK 2

Match the words (1–10) with their correct definitions (a–j).

Words	Definitions
1. overwhelmed	a. not harmful to the environment; able to continue long-term
2. leverage	b. confused and unable to understand something
3. obstacles	c. to use something effectively to gain advantage
4. carve out	d. a short pause before doing something because of doubt
5. perplexed	e. things that block your way or prevent progress
6. emphasize	f. feeling unable to cope; too much to handle
7. acquaintance	g. to find or create time/space for something important
8. affordable	h. reasonably priced; not too expensive for most people
9. hesitation	i. to give special importance or attention to something
10. sustainable	j. not harmful to the environment; can continue long-term

TASK 3: EXTRA TASK

Each sentence contains ONE word that is the right part of speech and fits grammatically, but has the WRONG meaning.

Example: He is very **beautiful** for a man. → handsome

1. She has a very **wealthy** personality, always kind and supportive.
→ _____
2. The meeting was **comprehensive**, just 5 minutes long.
→ _____

3. Daily travelling to work is very **embarrassed** when you live far away.

→ _____

4. He gave a **precise** answer long, detailed, and covering all aspects.

→ _____

5. We need to **leverage** all the necessary data before starting the project.

→ _____

6. This rule is **sustainable** to my situation, so I can ignore it.

→ _____

7. The instructions were **perplexed**, so nobody understood what to do.

→ _____

8. She felt **overwhelming** when she forgot his name at the party.

→ _____