

Gapfill exercise 41

**colonies column combat combination comfort
commands commemorate commence comments commercials**

1. The French started to build _____ in Canada about 100 years before the English.
2. It wasn't any one thing which started the argument; it was more a _____ of disagreements over the last few days.
3. Doctors are trying to _____ the spread of AIDS with a new miracle drug.
4. The ceremony will _____ in 15 minutes.
5. The old woman's cat was a real _____ to her after the death of her husband.
6. I still don't know most of the basic _____ for my computer.
7. The government has announced a new holiday to _____ the birth of the nation's founder.
8. The _____ he received after his presentation were highly favourable.
9. He writes a regular newspaper _____ on political issues.
10. I always turn the sound off on the TV during the _____.

Gapfill exercise 42

commission commit committee commodities common
communicated communist community commute compact

1. They sold their van, and bought a _____ car after their children left home.
2. You shouldn't really _____ yourself until you have all the facts.
3. There is a meeting of the Maintenance _____ at three o'clock this afternoon.
4. I usually _____ to work by bicycle, except when the weather is really bad.
5. Basic _____ such as rice and sweetcorn are heavily subsidized by the government.
6. I haven't _____ with my old classmates since the session ended.
7. People in this _____ want to keep the area safe for children to play.
8. Sales staff in the shop receive a set salary, plus a 10% _____.
9. Last year, the most _____ first names for boys in this country were Matthew and Joshua.
10. Many of the former _____ countries of Eastern Europe are still having serious economic difficulties.

Gapfill exercise 43

companion compare compassion compatible compelled
compensation competing competent compiling complains

1. If you try to _____ the two students, you will find that they each have their own strengths and weaknesses.
2. Detectives are _____ information on a number of unsolved murders to see if there is a pattern.
3. Her _____ for others led her into a life of volunteer work.
4. Theresa and I went out for a couple of weeks, but we discovered pretty quickly that we aren't really _____.
5. He's a very negative person, so he always _____ about something.
6. Her sister was her constant _____ for the last few months before she died.
7. Brazil is _____ with France for the gold medal in football.
8. The single mother was _____ to take on a second part-time job in order to feed her family.
9. He received almost half a million dollars in _____ after an accident in which the brakes on his new car failed.
10. Sergei is a very _____ worker, perhaps the best we have.

Gapfill exercise 44

complement complex complicated comply components
composed compost compounds comprehend comprised

1. This wine will _____ any fish dishes.
2. Some scientists fear that there are many different chemicals in our water, mixing and forming all kinds of deadly _____.
3. It's difficult to _____ what would make two secondary school boys do such a terrible thing.
4. The system is so _____ that no one is able to use it properly.
5. There are three main _____ to the plan.
6. Anyone who does not _____ with these regulations will be asked to leave.
7. The Moonlight Sonata was _____ by Ludwig van Beethoven.
8. The auto show is _____ of a mixture of classic luxury cars, modern sports cars, and models of futuristic vehicles.
9. The issue is much too _____ for me to discuss.
10. Don't put that banana peel in the rubbish; I'll put it in the _____.

Gapfill exercise 45

compromise compulsory computed conceal concede
conceive concentrate concept concerned conclude

1. Military service is _____ for young men in Korea and lasts for a period of just over 2 years.
2. The _____ of an arranged marriage is almost totally unknown in this country.
3. The results of the poll have now been _____, and will be distributed to the news media this afternoon.
4. It is going to be difficult to find a _____ between the two groups because their needs are so different.
5. He was finally obliged to _____ that he was wrong when the results of the experiment were revealed.
6. It's impossible to _____ what will happen without trying it first.
7. The detective was able to _____ that the apparent suicide was, in fact, a murder.
8. Can you please turn your music down, I'm trying to _____ on my homework.
9. We are a little _____ about your son's behaviour at school.
10. She used make-up to _____ the dark circles under her eyes.

Gapfill exercise 46

concrete concurrent condemned condition conduct
confer confessed confident confined confirm

1. Hello, I'd like to _____ my booking for my flight to Amsterdam.
2. The murderer is serving two _____ life-sentences.
3. The murderer was _____ to die in the electric chair.
4. The prisoners were _____ to their cells after an inmate was found murdered.
5. Your grandfather's _____ has certainly improved as a result of the operation.
6. The Russian President flew to Washington this morning to _____ with the American President on the crisis developing in the Middle East.
7. She is very _____ that she will win the game because she has beaten her opponent a number of times in the past.
8. A little boy at school cut his head when he fell and hit it on a _____ tunnel while they were playing.
9. His _____ at the party was disgraceful. He was totally drunk, and began yelling and swearing at people for no reason.
10. The accused _____ to the police that he murdered his business partner.

Gapfill exercise 47

conflict conform confronted confuses congratulate
connected conquered conscience conscious consecutive

1. The desire to _____ often leads teenagers to take up smoking.
2. Everyone _____ me for my sister because we look so much alike.
3. I recently _____ my computer to my stereo, so I can listen to music I download off the Internet on my sound system.
4. I would just like to _____ the newly married couple on this, the most important day in their lives.
5. The teacher had to speak to the student after he was late for class for three _____ days.
6. He _____ his roommate after he found twenty dollars had been stolen out of his coat pocket.
7. England was _____ by France in 1066 and ruled by French kings for 300 years thereafter.
8. My _____ would never allow me to sell my car without telling the buyer that it has major mechanical problems.
9. I wasn't even _____ that I had drunk too much until I started to feel sick.
10. Thousands of people lost their homes and all their belongings in the _____ in Kosovo this spring.

Gapfill exercise 48

consent consequences conservation considering considerable
consist consistent console consolidate conspiracy

1. Jenna is _____ moving to Japan for a year because she wants to be an airline hostess, and needs to learn another language.
2. Mike has made a _____ amount of money investing in the stock market.
3. We failed to predict the _____ of our actions.
4. Water _____ is essential during the summer months.
5. Motokazu Corporation has announced plans to _____ its manufacturing and sales subsidiaries in an attempt to increase overall business efficiency.
6. A young girl cannot have her ears pierced without the _____ of a parent.
7. The test will _____ of a series of true or false questions and two essay questions.
8. The mother was holding her daughter in her arms, and trying to _____ her after her kitten was hit by a car.
9. Some people believe that the murder of John F. Kennedy was part of a _____ involving many different people.
10. Louise is a _____ player; we can always count on her to have a good game.

Gapfill exercise 49

constant constitutes constrained constructed consult
consume contact contains contaminated contemplating

1. The company is _____ moving its head office from London to Chicago.
2. In an election 51% of the vote _____ a majority.
3. I'll have to _____ with my boss before I make this important decision.
4. Too many women's lives have been _____ by the sexist views held by some people in society.
5. My friends and I _____ a really cool fort in a tree in our garden.
6. The city's water supply became _____ when an animal fell in, and drowned.
7. You need to _____ a lot more calories than you normally do each day if you want to gain weight.
8. The _____ noise of the construction going on next door is driving me mad.
9. I tried to phone her, but wasn't able to _____ her.
10. This box _____ over 2 kilograms of the finest chocolates.

Gapfill exercise 50

contemporary contend contents context contingent
continued contracts contradict Contrary contrast

1. The runners had to _____ with a strong headwind in the final of the 10,000 metres.
2. _____ to what some people in the office are saying, I have never had an affair with my secretary, and I never will.
3. I'll have my secretary send you a copy of the _____.
4. A _____ of students went to the administration office to complain about rising fees.
5. Vocabulary is generally easier to understand if you look at it in _____.
6. She _____ to work long after her co-workers had gone home.
7. The little boy spent the last day of school emptying his desk of its _____ and playing with his friends.
8. Leonardo DiCaprio starred in a _____ version of Romeo and Juliet.
9. Can you _____ the lifestyle of your country with that of this country?
10. Cuts to the health budget seem to _____ the Premier's promise to improve health care in our province.

Gapfill exercise 51

contributes control controversial convened convenient
converse convert convey convicted convince

1. They are unable to _____ their son, and he does whatever he wants.
2. Jehovah's Witnesses go door to door, trying to _____ people to their religion.
3. The United Nations has _____ a special meeting to deal with the conflict in the Middle East.
4. The children _____ with their mother in Japanese, and with their father in French.
5. You shouldn't talk about _____ topics with people you don't know very well because it might start an argument.
6. My boyfriend is trying to _____ me to get married, but I don't think that I'm ready.
7. Using the Internet to do your banking is very _____, but I'm not sure how secure it actually is.
8. He _____ a lot of time and money to helping people with AIDS.
9. I won't be able to come to the wedding, but please _____ my congratulations to the newlyweds.
10. He was _____ of the murder of his business partner, and sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Gapfill exercise 52

cooperate coordinated coping cords core
corporate corresponds corrupt costs costume

1. The _____ efforts of the police and fire departments resulted in an efficient operation.
2. We tied all the surfboards to the roof rack with bungee _____.
3. He threw his apple _____ out the window.
4. Our football team is looking for a _____ sponsor to help us with costs.
5. It only _____ 2 to rent a DVD on Wednesday nights.
6. The decrease in the number of foreign tourists to our city _____ to the increase in the value of the pound.
7. Our neighbour is having a hard time _____ with the death of his wife.
8. The former President was obviously _____, and is accused of having stolen millions of dollars from the country.
9. What kind of _____ are you going to wear to the Halloween party?
10. If we all _____, I'm sure we'll be able to finish on time.

Gapfill exercise 53

cosy cottage cough council counselled
coup couple courses courage covered

1. His best friend _____ him to divorce his wife after he found out she was having an affair.
2. They have a _____ on the lake, and they spend a good part of their summer vacation there every year.
3. He developed a bad _____ and a runny nose after watching the football game in the pouring rain.
4. The bicycling group made a presentation to city _____ asking for their support in creating more bicycle lanes in the town centre.
5. The President was seriously injured in a _____ attempt early this morning.
6. I dropped one of my _____ because I just didn't have the time to do all the homework.
7. They live in a _____ little one bedroom flat on Cook Street.
8. It takes a lot of _____ to admit your mistakes.
9. I'll be ready in a _____ of minutes.
10. She _____ her face and began to cry.

Gapfill exercise 54

courtesy coward crack craft crash
crawled crazy created credible credit

1. There is a _____ in the windscreen of my car, so I have to get it replaced.
2. The other kid called him a _____ for refusing to fight.
3. Officials believe the plane _____ was due to a build-up of ice on the wings.
4. She didn't really like the meal, but she pretended to enjoy it out of _____.
5. The lawyer for the defence claimed the witness was not _____, and as such, should not be believed.
6. I think it's _____ to go down the most difficult hill when you've only been snowboarding for a couple of days. You'll break your neck!
7. His quitting has _____ a lot of problems for us.
8. He buys everything on _____; he never pays cash for anything.
9. The baby _____ across the rug towards the puppy.
10. After experiencing engine problems, the pilot was able to land his _____ without incident.

Gapfill exercise 55

creeps crew crime cripples crisis
crisp criteria critical criticised crook

1. The work _____ finished up around 6:00
2. I like my vegetables steamed just lightly so that they are still _____ and crunchy.
3. The _____ rate in this country has more or less stayed constant for the last ten years or so.
4. The streets of the city are crowded with _____ begging for coins.
5. Motivation is one of the principal _____ for success in learning a second language.
6. He's a real _____ who steals from everyone he can.
7. The Asian financial _____ has had serious effects on the economy of British Columbia.
8. It is _____ that society look after the homeless, especially in winter.
9. She was _____ for not finishing the project on time.
10. The vine _____ up the side of the house to the roof.

Gapfill exercise 56

crop cross crouched crowd crown
crucial crude cruel cruising crunched

1. Farmers fear that this season's entire _____ may have been destroyed in the storm.
2. The teacher _____ down to talk to her nursery student.
3. When I was 18 years old, my friends and I used to enjoy _____ around in a friend's car every weekend.
4. The King wore a beautiful _____ of gold, emeralds and diamonds.
5. The children were very _____ to the little boy, hitting him, and calling him names until he started to cry.
6. Christians believe that Jesus Christ died on the _____ for mankind's sins.
7. Our footsteps _____ on the newly fallen snow.
8. An oil refinery serves to make petrol from _____ oil.
9. The _____ screamed in excitement as the band came on stage.
10. The final speaking test is _____ if you want to pass the course.

Gapfill exercise 57

crushed crystal cuddled cue cult
cultivate culture curb cure curious

1. They drank champagne out of _____ glasses.
2. When I raise my hand, it's your _____ to begin speaking.
3. Emily and Chris _____ while they watched the film.
4. They _____ grapes for making excellent wine in many parts of the Okanagan.
5. I'm _____ to know why you decided to become a doctor.
6. In the _____ of Japan, people bow to each other when they meet.
7. The student _____ his notes into a ball, and threw them in the waste paper basket.
8. Their son joined some weird religious _____ after being approached by a couple of people in an airport.
9. Scientists around the world are working hard to try to find a _____ for cancer.
10. If we don't do something to _____ spending, we are going to run out of money very soon.

Gapfill exercise 58

curl currency current curse curves
cushion custody customs cycle cynical

1. Sascha wants to _____ her hair because she doesn't like it straight.
2. Please don't _____ in front of the children; I don't want them to learn your bad language.
3. What is the _____ rate of interest for a savings account?
4. It's so interesting to live in a different country where you can learn the _____ of another culture.
5. The path _____ around the lake, and then ends in the campground.
6. She put a _____ behind her head to make herself more comfortable.
7. He is being held in police _____ awaiting trial on a charge of murder.
8. Death is simply a part of the _____ of life.
9. European countries now share a common _____ known as the euro.
10. Harvey is a very _____ person who would never believe that anyone did anything out of generosity.

Gapfill exercise 59

damaged damp dare data deadline
deal debate debt debut decade

1. My mother always told me not to go to bed with _____ hair, or I could catch a cold.
2. He is over 5,000 in _____, and may have to declare bankruptcy.
3. We're going to have to work hard in order to complete this job for the _____ of 5:00 this evening.
4. He works inputting _____ into a computer all day.
5. Actor Robert Redford made his directorial _____ with the film "Ordinary People."
6. Their house was seriously _____ in the storm.
7. It is very difficult to _____ with students who make no effort in class.
8. The 1960s were considered to be a _____ of great change in our culture.
9. I _____ you to jump off the 5-metre diving board.
10. The leaders of the two major political parties are going to have a _____ on TV tonight.

Gapfill exercise 60

decaying deceived decent decide declared
decline decorate decreases dedicated deduce

1. The _____ leaves in the garden are actually good for it and make the soil richer.
2. Masa is a really _____ person who would never lie to his girlfriend.
3. No one was _____ by her obvious lies.
4. They couldn't _____ whether to have chocolate or vanilla ice cream.
5. It is important to learn a process which will help you to _____ the meaning of new vocabulary from context.
6. The President has _____ a war on drugs in the U.S.
7. The _____ in the New York stock market is due to the financial crisis in Asia.
8. We always _____ our house with lights and a tree at Christmas.
9. Enrollment in the English Language Programme usually _____ in the spring session because the students have to return to their countries to start school.
10. Mother Teresa _____ her entire life to helping the poor and homeless of Calcutta.

Gapfill exercise 61

deduct deeds defaulting defeated defect
defend deficit define definite defy

1. Because she has to travel all over the place for her work , she can _____ her car as a business expense.
2. They lost their house after _____ on their mortgage.
3. When he was little, his father taught him to always try to do good _____ for others.
4. The French were _____ by the English on the Plains of Abraham in Canada's most important military battle.
5. Thousands of people in this country continue to _____ the law by smoking marijuana.
6. Thousands of cars are being recalled due to a _____ in the steering system.
7. The father was seriously injured trying to _____ his son from a vicious dog.
8. Unless the government raises taxes, the _____ is expected to rise by at least 3%.
9. For homework, please _____ the following expressions in your own words.
10. I'm afraid I won't be able to give you a _____ answer until we have a bit more information.

Gapfill exercise 62

degree dehydration delayed delegate deliberate
delicate delicious delight delivered demand

1. The baby squealed in _____ when she saw the kitten.
2. Max lied to his boss about what happened in a _____ attempt to have Sheila fired.
3. Sea animals must retain moisture when the tide is low in order to prevent _____.
4. Listen, you're working too hard. That's why you have an assistant. You've got to learn to _____ more of your work to her.
5. Grandma's health is quite _____, and she has to be careful not to catch a cold.
6. The flight was _____ by bad weather.
7. This cake is _____. What's in it?
8. Her mother has a _____ in Behavioural Psychology.
9. The post is usually _____ around 10:00 in the morning.
10. I _____ that you leave immediately!

Gapfill exercise 63

democracy demonstrated denote dense dented
denied department departure depends depicts

1. It took us hours to hike through the _____ undergrowth of the forest to the beach.
2. The film _____ life in the early 1700s quite realistically.
3. Protesters _____ against cuts to the education budget outside the Parliament Buildings today.
4. According to my book on palm reading, fingers which are short and blunt in appearance _____ a stubborn character.
5. I _____ my car while I was backing up in the car park.
6. A large number of university students were imprisoned after demonstrating for _____ in the nation's capital.
7. If you buy your gifts at a Japanese _____ store, they will be wrapped for you by a shop assistant.
8. She was accused of cheating on the test, but she _____ it.
9. He _____ on his parents to support him while he is studying at university.
10. The _____ of flight 202 to Chicago has been delayed due to stormy weather.

Gapfill exercise 64

deplete deported deposit depression derived
descended describe deserved designing desire

1. He was convicted of a drug offence, and _____.
2. How much do you want to _____ into your account?
3. He has been suffering from _____ since his wife was killed in a car accident.
4. She is currently working on _____ a new publicity campaign for the local department store.
5. We _____ the staircase to the wine cellar.
6. Can you _____ the man who stole your handbag?
7. Many words in English are _____ from French.
8. He was full of _____ as he gazed at his girlfriend.
9. He worked so hard; he _____ to win the award.
10. If we continue to _____ our natural resources, our children will pay the price.

Gapfill exercise 65

despair desperate despite destination destroy
detached details detained detect deteriorated

1. She got the job _____ the fact that she had very little experience.
2. Grandma said she was feeling okay, but I think I could _____ a bit of depression in the way she was speaking.
3. She hates her job, and is _____ to find something else.
4. The arms of this toy robot can be _____, and replaced with wings or various tools.
5. The criminal tried to _____ all the evidence.
6. Sometimes I _____ that I will never find my true love.
7. A suspect is being _____ by police for questioning in the murder of a local woman.
8. The travellers hopped on the plane; their _____, Kingston, Jamaica.
9. Tell me all the _____ of your first day on the job.
10. Grandpa's health has _____ a lot in the last few hours, and he isn't expected to live through the night.

Gapfill exercise 66

determined devastated developed deviated device
devised devoted diagnosed dial dialogue

1. Her father made a lot of money after inventing a _____ which helps you open jar lids that are on too tight.
2. In 1996, her illness was _____ as cancer, and she immediately began chemotherapy treatments.
3. The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Centre _____ the financial district of New York.
4. The criminals _____ a plan to get into the bank at night disguised as caretakers.
5. When she was 6 years old, Josie decided to become a doctor, and she never once _____ from the pursuit of that goal.
6. My mother _____ her entire adult life to raising her four children.
7. It was difficult for ESL students to understand the _____ in the film because the actors spoke very quickly, and used a lot of slang.
8. She is _____ to quit her job and travel around Europe for a year.
9. I think you've got the wrong number. What number did you _____?
10. He _____ a bad rash on his hands after touching a plant to which he is allergic.

Gapfill exercise 67

diapers diary dictated diet differentiate
digest dignity dimensions diminish dipped

1. Cooking and freezing do not _____ the spicy heat of a hot pepper.
2. Nelson Mandela was a man of great vision, integrity and _____.
3. The child _____ his toes into the ocean to see if the water was cold.
4. I can't _____ between the Chinese and Japanese language when I hear them spoken.
5. Sharon got really angry when she found out her mother had been reading her private _____.
6. She is on a low-fat _____ to reduce her risk of heart disease.
7. My nephew only drinks soy milk because he isn't able to _____ cow's milk.
8. The boss _____ a letter to his secretary.
9. The _____ of the room are about 5 metres by 7 metres.
10. When my daughter was a baby, my husband and I always took turns changing her _____.

Gapfill exercise 68

diplomat dirt disabled disappeared disappointed
disaster discard discipline discount discourage

1. The children were covered in _____ after playing outside all afternoon.
2. Stores often _____ their prices by up to 50% in the days immediately following Christmas.
3. In one year, hotels in our city _____ 70,000 kilograms of little bars of soap.
4. He was really _____ after his team lost the game 10 - 1.
5. Where is my tie? It was here a minute ago, and now it's _____!
6. Over 200 people were killed in a _____ in southwestern India this morning when a train collided with a tour bus.
7. Many of the buses in this city have special features to make them accessible to _____ passengers.
8. He has worked as a _____ to France for many years.
9. Her parents tried to _____ her from marrying him, but she just ignored them.
10. I think they should _____ their child more; he is always getting into trouble at school.

Gapfill exercise 69

discovered discreet discrete discriminate discussed
disease disguises disgust disillusion disintegrated

1. He was not very _____ about his affair with his secretary, so it's not surprising that his wife found out about it.
2. It is illegal to _____ against someone based on their race, sex, age or sexual orientation.
3. He got some kind of tropical _____ while travelling in Mozambique.
4. I don't want to _____ you, but your ex-boyfriend really isn't interested in getting back together - he's found somebody new.
5. He looked at his father lying drunk on the floor, and felt a mixture of pain and _____.
6. The _____ sound difference between the vowels /ou/ and /u/ in French can be difficult for English speakers to hear.
7. I _____ the project with my boss for over an hour.
8. Scientists have _____ a gene which may explain why some people become alcoholics.
9. Her marriage _____ soon after she found out that her husband had got another woman pregnant.
10. Police believe the same bank robber is using different _____ in his hold-ups around town.

Gapfill exercise 70

dismissed displaced displayed dispose dispute
disrupted dissolves distance distinct distinguish

1. Hundreds of people and their homes were _____ to make way for the new motorway.
2. The people in that region have an accent which is very _____ from ours.
3. Children under the age of 4 cannot always _____ between the truth and a lie.
4. What is the exact _____ between London and Edinburgh?
5. Class had to be _____ a half hour early because the teacher became ill.
6. Keep stirring your hot chocolate until it all _____, or else it'll be lumpy.
7. Every year, Americans _____ of 1.6 billion pens.
8. The car accident _____ traffic for over an hour.
9. He _____ his trophies on a shelf over his desk.
10. The labour _____ has lasted for over 6 months now, and there is no end in sight.

Gapfill exercise 71

distort distracted distribute district disturbed
dive diverse divided dizzy documents

1. It was hard to concentrate on my studies because I kept getting _____ by the television show my brother was watching.
2. I have to go to my solicitor's to sign some _____ relating to the sale of our house.
3. His son had to register at a school in a different _____ after getting kicked out of the local school.
4. Jeremy was afraid to _____ in the water, so his sister pushed him.
5. Could you please _____ the answer sheets while I hand out the tests?
6. The children were spinning around in circles, trying to make themselves _____.
7. When people talk about an argument they had, they usually _____ the truth a bit to make it look like it wasn't their fault.
8. When they got divorced, they _____ all their property in half.
9. Our society today is quite culturally _____, with immigrants from all over the world.
10. I'm going to be busy in my office for the next hour or so; please see that I am not _____.

Gapfill exercise 72

domain Domestic dominated donates dose
dots doubt dozen drafting dragged

1. The savannah is the supreme _____ of the African lion.
2. _____ violence is a serious problem in many societies.
3. He bought about a _____ CDs yesterday during the one-day sale.
4. She had on a red frock with white _____ on it.
5. He _____ blood to the Red Cross at least twice a year.
6. I _____ Janis will go to the party; she doesn't like loud music or crowds.
7. The city is _____ a plan to expand the network of bike lanes in the region.
8. The bag was too heavy for the child to carry, so he just _____ it along the road.
9. The Americans have _____ Olympic basketball for many years.
10. One _____ of this medication should be enough to stop the infection.

Gapfill exercise 73

drain drama drastic draught dreaded
drifted drilling dripping drought drowned

1. Oil companies have been _____ for oil in the Atlantic for about 10 years.
2. The _____ dried up all the farms, so there was very little food.
3. He always _____ the end of the year when they had their final exams.
4. She studied _____ in secondary school, and hopes to go into acting.
5. The tap is _____. I think it needs to be fixed.
6. After cooking the noodles for 15 minutes, _____ them, and mix them with a can of tuna.
7. We turned off the engine on the boat, and just _____ with the current for a while.
8. She finished the pint in one long _____.
9. Two local men have _____ after the canoe they were in overturned in high seas off the coast of the Hebrides today.
10. We are going to have to make some _____ changes in this company if we want to keep from going bankrupt.

Gapfill exercise 74

due dumped duplicate duration dust
duty dynamic eager earns earnest

1. It is the _____ of all young Korean men to serve in the army.
2. She was _____ by her previous boyfriend, and doesn't really want to get into another relationship right away.
3. You must stay in your seats for the _____ of the test.
4. Look at all the _____ on these shelves; we really need to clean up this place.
5. He is very _____ in everything he does, and takes himself very seriously.
6. Did you _____ enough copies of the homework for everyone?
7. Anna is a very _____ teacher, and the students love her classes.
8. Our homework is _____ next Friday.
9. I'm quite _____ to start my new job.
10. She _____ about 8.00 an hour as a waitress, but she gets more than double that in tips.

Gapfill exercise 75

Earth eased eccentric echo economy
ecosystem edge edit educate effect

1. He _____ into his chair after a long day of work.
2. Blue whales are the largest animals to have ever lived on _____.
3. We shouted our names in the canyon, and listened to the _____.
4. The state of the American economy has a great _____ on the financial situation here in Mexico.
5. My neighbour is an _____ old lady who has over 20 cats.
6. Any changes made in our _____ affect all the plants and animals that live there.
7. You should _____ your own essays before handing them in so that you can find your own errors.
8. The best way to keep your children away from dangerous drugs is to _____ them to make wise choices for themselves.
9. She stood at the water's _____, and let the waves gently wash over her feet.
10. The Venezuelan _____ is largely based on natural resources.

Gapfill exercise 76

efficient effort ego elaborate elastics
elderly elected electric elegant elements

1. She looked very _____ in a long, black, velvet dress.
2. You are going to have to put in a lot more _____ if you really want to improve your Spanish.
3. A Japanese wedding can be a fairly _____ ceremony involving a number of different costume changes.
4. She is an extremely _____ worker, probably the best in this company.
5. The party leader was _____ with a very slim majority.
6. One of the key _____ in our plan is a new advertising campaign.
7. Many _____ people in this country live very active, independent lives.
8. When I was a kid, we had an _____ can-opener, which to me always seemed kind of useless.
9. The boss has a huge _____, so he would never admit that someone else's idea was better than his own.
10. The brochures were held together with _____ and piled on the desk.

Gapfill exercise 77

elevated eligible eliminate elite embargo
embarrassed Embassy embraced emerge emergency

1. In case of _____, phone 9-1-1.
2. You are not _____ for a subsidized bus pass unless you are a full-time student.
3. On October 19, 1960, the U.S. imposed a partial economic _____ on Cuba that excluded food and medicine.
4. The government has been cutting budgets in various departments in an effort to _____ the deficit.
5. She attends a school for children of the _____: the doctors, solicitors, businessmen, etc.
6. A butterfly will _____ from its cocoon after a certain amount of time.
7. I was really _____ the first time I tried to kiss a girl.
8. The Prime Minister has _____ a former backbencher to the position of Minister of the Environment.
9. There was a demonstration at the American _____ in Seoul to protest against the bombing of Iraq.
10. The old woman _____ each of her grandchildren as they arrived.

Gapfill exercise 78

emissions emotions emphasis Empire empirical
employs empty enabled enacted enclosed

1. The _____ from cars are responsible for a lot of our air pollution.
2. This ESL programme puts a lot of _____ on speaking and listening skills.
3. The city has _____ a new by-law which prohibits smoking in all public buildings.
4. A wealth of _____ evidence has been found to support his hypothesis.
5. Using a computer has _____ me to do my work much more quickly and efficiently.
6. My father was raised in an era when men weren't expected to show their _____, so he never really seemed to get very upset or excited about things.
7. I have _____ 20 for two CDs.
8. I'd better do some baking; the cookie jar is almost _____.
9. New Zealand and India were both once part of the British _____.
10. Their company _____ over 500 workers.

Gapfill exercise 79

encounter encouraged endangered endeavour endorse
endure enemies energy enforced engaged

1. You need to _____ this cheque before you can cash it.
2. My parents have always _____ me to do my best.
3. Your reckless driving _____ the lives of everyone in the car.
4. Hard work and determination are always important factors in the success of any _____.
5. The poor students were obliged to _____ three days of tests at the end of the session.
6. You should eat a good meal before going hiking or you'll run out of _____ pretty quickly.
7. If you _____ a bear while hiking, the best thing to do is to back away quietly.
8. Possession of marijuana is illegal, but the law isn't really _____ much in this province.
9. Bob and Larry have been _____ ever since Bob slept with Larry's girlfriend.
10. Sue got _____ last summer, and the wedding is set for this December.

Gapfill exercise 80

engine enhances enlarge enormous enrolled
ensure enterprise entertain enthusiasm entire

1. The city is considering draining a small lake in order to _____ the city dump.
2. The visit by the President resulted in an _____ traffic jam.
3. He threw up after drinking an _____ case of ale.
4. Eyeshadow _____ the natural contours of the eye.
5. My grandfather was always able to _____ us with his stories of life in this country at the beginning of the century.
6. Her parents have _____ her in a ballet class.
7. I invested 10,000 of my own money in my friend's new business _____.
8. I wish you would show a little more _____ about our upcoming wedding. You're making me a little nervous.
9. Please _____ that you have paid your fees in full before classes begin.
10. I'm going to take the car to a garage; the _____ has been making strange noises.