

Vocabulary activities

1. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- Whenever I've got a problem, I always _____ my sister for help. She's always there for me.
a. make friends with b. turn to c. hang out with d. make sure
- Mary, are you _____ of cooking?
a. keen b. interested c. excited d. fond
- I'm fed up _____ doing all the chores around the house. Why don't you help me for a change?
a. by b. with c. for d. at
- Eric used to be very bad at Spanish, but lately he's been making a lot of _____.
a. decisions b. mistakes c. progress d. money
- I always hang _____ Brian. We get along well.
a. out with b. up c. to d. on
- I turned _____ Tony's invitation to go to Sweden.
a. into b. out c. in d. down
- How exactly did you start your own _____?
a. profession b. job c. work d. business
- My parents were _____ with the service at the hotel.
a. addicted b. shocked c. dissatisfied d. popular
- Why do you enjoy making fun _____ me?
a. of b. with c. on d. for
- Taking care of young children is hard _____.
a. job b. duty c. occupation d. work

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2. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- If anyone tries to break _____ the building, the alarm will go off.
a. down b. up c. into d. away
- My relatives went to all the best shops _____ town.
a. by b. with c. in d. on
- My brother takes _____ our mum. He always forgets things, just like her.
a. after b. part in c. care of d. up
- Quick! Go to the corner shop. We've run _____ milk.
a. over b. away c. up d. out of
- How long did it take to _____ the coast?
a. reach b. arrive c. get d. come
- Billy said he's bored with football and wants to take _____ a new sport.
a. up b. after c. place d. off
- Come on, Manny, let's go! We're going to _____ our train!
a. catch b. miss c. take d. lose
- The man who _____ me was lost. He asked me for directions.
a. reached b. approached c. arrived d. got
- When The Titanic sank most of the people who were on _____ died.
a. board b. foot c. the way d. holiday
- When Billy was on holiday in Hawaii, he ran _____ an old classmate of his! He hadn't seen him for ages.
a. out b. away c. over d. into

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3. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

1. My brother sprained his ankle in the game but he kept _____ playing till the end.
a. up b. on c. off d. back
2. John thinks we're planning to go to Paris but in _____ we're not.
a. other words b. particular c. actual fact d. any case
3. I usually keep _____ with my cousins through email.
a. in touch b. in mind c. an eye on d. company
4. Can I rely _____ you to keep a secret?
a. in b. to c. with d. on
5. My mother belongs _____ a hiking club which goes on trips all over the world.
a. on b. to c. in d. of
6. **A:** Let's go out to dinner tonight.
B: Do you want to go anywhere _____?
a. at once b. in particular c. for certain d. for instance
7. I want to paint my room but I haven't decided _____ a colour yet.
a. in b. with c. for d. on
8. It was raining but I _____ to get home without getting too wet.
a. coped b. achieved c. succeeded d. managed
9. I waited _____ at the bus stop for the bus to come. It was my first day at work and I didn't want to be late.
a. patient b. patience c. impatient d. impatiently
10. Diane was away from school for a month and now she finds it hard to keep _____ with the rest of the class.
a. up b. a promise c. back d. in mind

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4. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

1. That man in the painting reminds me _____ my uncle Larry.
a. about b. in c. of d. with
2. We had to put _____ the excursion because of the snowstorm.
a. out b. aside c. off d. up
3. Helen fell over and spilt her milkshake _____ her new jeans.
a. all over b. at all c. all in all d. after all
4. The Olympic Games are the biggest sporting _____ in the world.
a. incident b. occasion c. situation d. event
5. Not many people can cope with _____.
a. stress b. stressed c. stressing d. stressful
6. I've been working on this project for _____ and I still haven't finished.
a. change b. ages c. sure d. life
7. Most people find Carla really annoying, but I manage to put _____ her.
a. up b. on c. up with d. off
8. The café in my neighbourhood has closed down _____.
a. all in all b. for a change c. once and for all d. for sale
9. I don't know if I'll go to the shopping centre today. It depends _____ my mood.
a. in b. from c. of d. on
10. One in five _____ is caused by drivers who fall asleep at the wheel.
a. accidents b. incidents c. cases d. events

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5. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- I think I'll take your _____ and try to find a new job.
a. information b. opinion c. advice d. tips
- Emma went _____ with embarrassment when she realised she was wearing different coloured socks.
a. over the top b. red c. wild d. wrong
- I'm having a few people round my place at the weekend. I'll _____ and let you know what time.
a. give you a ring b. give you a lift c. give you reason d. give you permission
- Don't _____ now! You're almost at the finish line.
a. give out b. give back c. give away d. give up
- We were lost, so we went to a petrol station to ask for _____.
a. instructions b. directions c. clues d. advice
- I usually like Isabel's outfits but I think she's _____ tonight.
a. gone wrong b. gone bad c. gone over the top d. gone red
- My car's broken down so I can't give you _____ home. Sorry!
a. a lift b. a hand c. away d. a lot of thought
- Jason was angry with me because I'd forgotten to _____ his book.
a. give in b. give back c. give out d. give away
- Mayor Matthews gave an excellent _____ last night in the central square.
a. speech b. suggestion c. advice d. opinion
- The moment I saw my sister wearing my new dress, I _____ because she always takes my clothes without asking.
a. went bad b. went bananas c. went through her mind d. went wild

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6. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- I can't _____ the difference between these two cars. They look the same to me.
a. set b. say c. learn d. tell
- Mark must be very busy _____. I haven't seen him for about two weeks.
a. lately b. later c. at the latest d. latest
- I don't know when we're going to London. We haven't set a _____ yet.
a. time b. clock c. date d. month
- Geoffrey has _____ three novels this summer.
a. learned b. studied c. read d. led
- Frank is very experienced _____ managing hotels.
a. in b. to c. on d. of
- My mum always _____ her watch ten minutes earlier, so that she won't be late for work.
a. puts b. sets c. guides d. instructs
- We were very _____ by the way she solved the problem.
a. impressing b. impressed c. impress d. impressive
- Tina was enthusiastic _____ going on holiday to Hungary.
a. for b. with c. at d. about
- _____, after twelve hours on a plane, we arrived at our destination.
a. Latest b. At last c. At least d. At the latest
- I think that you should tell us _____ about what happened at the park yesterday.
a. sorry b. thank you c. the truth d. goodbye

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7. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- Samantha _____ to go to the art gallery with Alice.
a. denied b. prevented c. refused d. avoided
- I've always had an interest _____ painting.
a. on b. in c. about d. to
- What are the _____ and differences between the two countries?
a. similar b. similarly c. similarity d. similarities
- Can you please give me a(n) _____ with this box? It's too heavy for me.
a. help b. hand c. finger d. arm
- One of the advantages _____ spending your holiday in England is that you can practise your English.
a. of b. for c. about d. in
- I can never make head or _____ of what Bill says. He speaks too fast.
a. ears b. leg c. foot d. tail
- Rodney and Eddie have many things in _____. Perhaps that's why they're best friends.
a. alike b. similar c. same d. common
- Nobody _____ anything to me about the fundraiser. What's it all about?
a. told b. spoke c. mentioned d. discussed
- Janet entered the writing competition but on the actual day she got _____ and didn't take part.
a. cold feet b. her teeth into c. her hair on d. an arm and a leg
- It is _____ that this time next year we will be on holiday in the Maldives.
a. unlike b. likely c. alike d. like

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8. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d.

- You should go to Carlton's and buy a pair of trainers. They're on _____.
a. sale b. sales c. bargain d. discount
- While Harold was shopping for clothes, he came _____ a great bargain.
a. along b. across c. into d. round
- You're _____! The book you're looking for arrived just this morning.
a. in luck b. out of luck c. by luck d. on luck
- Everybody's shocked by the _____ of the three-year-old boy.
a. disappeared b. disappearing c. disappearance d. disappear
- I will pay in _____ for this T-shirt.
a. credit b. account c. bill d. cash
- I'll be home at about six so you can _____ any time after that.
a. come across b. come round c. come down with d. come along
- Sorry but the lift is out of _____ today.
a. time b. order c. luck d. use
- Steven was an excellent player and it will be difficult to _____ him.
a. exchange b. replace c. change d. come up with
- I took Jonathan's history book _____ mistake.
a. in b. out of c. of d. by
- Don't blame me. It wasn't my _____.
a. responsible b. responsibility c. irresponsible d. responsibly