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## *** LINGUA INGLESE ***

1-6931 If you had been there, we $\qquad$ a good time.
A. Could have.
B. Would have had.
C. Would have.
D. 'd had.

1-6962 .... against the yen in the past month?
A. Will the dollar weaken.
B. Varies the dollar.
C. Has the dollar fallen.
D. Is the dollar risen.

1-7002 I'm checking the translation. I've found three spelling mistakes ...
A. As now.
B. As long.
C. So many.
D. So far.

1-7080 She stopped .... last year.
A. Having smoked.
B. To smoke.
C. The smoking.
D. Smoking.

1-7174 It's $\qquad$ I told the news.
A. His / whose.
B. Him / who.
C. He / whose.
D. $\mathrm{He} /$ whom.

1-7187 The engine is still working; so far so good.
A. Il motore funziona ancora; fino ad ora è andata bene.
B. Il motore funziona e d'ora in poi andrà meglio.
C. Il motore funziona, andiamo bene e lontano.
D. Il motore funziona ancora, speriamo di andare Iontano.

1-7500 The Treasury Select Committee is to launch an inquiry into the planned take-over of Liffe, the London Futures exchange, by Euronext, the alliance of the Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam stock exchanges. The unusual move is thought to have been provoked by growing concern among committee members about the impact on the City of London of the $£ 555$ million cash take-over. The committee will hear evidence from Liffe and Euronext officials on December 13. It will then question officials from the London Stock Exchange, which lost out in the auction for Liffe despite tabling a higher offer. "Philip Morris switch challenged": Philip Morris, the tobacco company, has become embroiled in a dispute about its proposed name change. Altria Healthcare, a private medical billing company in America, is concerned about Philip Morris's proposed name change to Altria Group. "It is of great concern to a healthcare business to have a big tobacco and alcohol company wish to adopt an identical name," Warren Smedley, Altria Healthcare's president, said. Philip Morris said it had conducted all necessary searches and was confident that it was not in breach of any laws and would not confuse Altria Healthcare's customers. A "breach" is a(an)....
A. Bargain.
B. Outing.
C. Bid.
D. Infringement.

2-1482 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: On Sept. 11, 2001, al-Qaeda $\qquad$ to bypass the U.S. counterterrorism structure.
A. can
B. could
C. is capable
D. was able

2-1484 Choose the best answer for this question:When do you play squash?
A. On Wednesday afternoons
B. Last Wednesday afternoon
C. On the afternoons of Wednesday
D. Wednesday the afternoon

2-1562 Choose the best answer for this question:Can I speak to the director, please?
A. Certainly, sir, if I can
B. Certainly, sir. Don't mention it
C. Certainly, sir. Just a moment
D. Certainly, sir. Please, moment

2-1568 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
The first thing we need to do is to find $\qquad$ location.
A. a right
B. a fitful
C. an adapted
D. a suitable

2-7003 I haven't had time to speak to Nick.
A. Today.
B. Last night.
C. Yesterday.
D. At lunchtime.

2-7111 If you are not in the sun, you are ...
A. At sea.
B. In the shadow.
C. On the moon.
D. In the shade.

2-7139 If the weather $\qquad$ better I'd play tennis.
A. Was be.
B. Would be.
C. Were.
D. Will have been.

3-1395 Which word or phrase CANNOT be used complete this sentence?The Prime Minister had to $\qquad$ his talks with world leaders to return to the capital.
A. break off
B. back out
C. put off
D. interrupt

3-1414 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this question: $\qquad$ the head of your department?
A. Which
B. What does
C. Whose
D. Who's

3-1689 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
I am no longer satisfied with my job, and I would really like to find something more $\qquad$ .
A. exhausting
B. challenging
C. suited
D. attracting

3-7126 We have $\qquad$ time but not $\qquad$ .
A. Any / a lot.
B. Much / a lot.
C. A lot/much.
D. Some / much.

3-7150 If you tell the truth, he $\qquad$ upset with you.
A. He / will become.
B. Him / is to be.
C. Him / will become.
D. His / is becoming.

3-7177 What a year! If it weren't you, I would never have got it!
A. With / through.
B. About / over.
C. For / through.
D. For / to.

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A. An outdoor meeting.
B. An indoor sit-in.
C. A Sale.
D. An acquisition.

4-1446 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
Visiting the Czech Republic $\qquad$ a visa, but now it's no longer necessary.
A. are used to requiring
B. used to require
C. were used to require
D. used requiring

4-6919 Fleetingly means
A. Partially.
B. Slowly.
C. Quickly.
D. Longingly.

4-6944 I never work .... Sundays.
A. For.
B. On.
C. In.
D. At.

4-6970 .... signing the contract he made a phone call.
A. After he had.
B. Before he has.
C. Before.
D. Since he'd had.

4-7038 What .... going out tonight?
A. Up.
B. For.
C. About.
D. In.

4-7088 What about .... out?
A. Go.
B. Gone.
C. Going.
D. To go.

4-7184 her illness, Linda continued to play tennis.
A. Despite.
B. Although.
C. Even though.
D. In spite.

5-1396 Which of the following CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? James isn't at work today so I think he $\qquad$ be ill.
A. may
B. might
C. can
D. must

5-1436 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: You can invest your money in stocks and $\qquad$ .
A. shares
B. divides
C. hedges
D. bears

5-1665 Choose the best phrase to complete the following:You $\qquad$ the meeting yesterday. It was very important.
A. mustn't miss
B. shouldn't have missed
C. needn't have missed
D. oughtn't to miss

5-1678 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
She asked me what $\qquad$ -
A. the new supervisor was like
B. was like the new supervisor
C. like the new supervisor was
D. was the new supervisor like

5-7105 I wish I .... her before!
A. Met.
B. Would meet.
C. Had met.
D. Will meet.

5-7106 Would you like a drink? Yes, ....
A. Please.
B. All right.
C. Welcome.
D. Thanks.

5-7561 The fallout from the global slowdown in the airline industry is still casting a shadow over airline suppliers, despite the resurgence of budget airlines. L Gardner, the engineering company, said yesterday that it had got rid of its final dividend and would cut 250 staff in the face of uncertain shortterm prospects after the events of September 11. The supplier to Boeing and Rolls-Royce said that it would cut about 10 per cent of its workforce in a cost-cutting drive, announced last month, to pre-empt lower business levels. The group, which generates two-thirds of its income from making aircraft components, also said it felt that it was inappropriate to pay a dividend. Brett Welch, the finance director, said the cost-cutting exercise would help the company when the airline industry returned to normality. Separately, Ryanair, the no-frills Republic of Ireland airline, is expected to confirm Frankfurt as its second European hub today. The move, eagerly anticipated by observers in the airlines sector, would enable the budget airline to step up its efforts to take cost-conscious business passengers from the flag carriers. If "you cast a shadow" you....
A. Do it.
B. Make it.
C. Negatively influence it.
D. Get it.

6-1634 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
The budget for next year hasn't been finalised $\qquad$ -
A. still
B. already
C. always
D. yet

6-7012 I wish it .... rain!
A. Would.
B. Will.
C. May.
D. Had.

6-7023 " I .... phone you!".
A. Did.
B. Had.
C. Was to.
D. Have.

6-7082 She admitted to .... the handbag.
A. Steal.
B. Stealing.
C. Stole.
D. Stolen.

6-7083 It's about time she ....
A. Will leave.
B. Left.
C. Had left.
D. Would leave.

6-7137 Will you $\qquad$ about the job next week?
A. Get know me.
B. Let know me.
C. Make me know.
D. Let me know.

6-7191 They set off before daybreak.
A. Si sentono male da questa mattina.
B. Sono partiti prima dell'alba.
C. Sono arrabbiati da stamattina.
D. Questa mattina hanno messo tutto in disordine.

7-1397 One way to describe dishonest accountancy is 'creative accountancy'. Which of these idiomatic phrases means the same?
A. to beat the books
B. to cook the books
C. to bite the bullet
D. to pull the strings

7-1536 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
Did you see the $\qquad$ for a Sports Journalist in yesterday's newspaper?
A. advertisement
B. slogan
C. blurb
D. header

7-7040 The bank wouldn't change any money for me. I had no means of .
A. Support.
B. Showing up.
C. Knowledge.
D. Identification.

7-7048 .... do? Pleased to meet you.
A. How do you.
B. What do you.
C. When do you.
D. Where do you.

7-7122 I regret .... my job.
A. The leaving.
B. To leave.
C. Leaving.
D. Left.

7-7148 If you had been there, we $\qquad$ a good time.
A. Would have.
B. 'd had.
C. Would have had.
D. Could have.

7-7540 In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by $20 \%$, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic. Productivity has recently....
A. Soared.
B. Plummeted.
C. Decreased.
D. Slumped.

8-1616 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
Tomorrow morning I $\qquad$ the 6.30 train to Rome to attend a European conference on world poverty.
A. am getting
B. going to take
C. have taken
D. shall go

8-6953 Firms can avoid .... middle managers.
A. Paying.
B. Paid.
C. Pay.
D. To pay.

8-6999 I've never .... a design like this before.
A. See.
B. Saw.
C. To see.
D. Seen.

8-7000 What time .... we start work? Let's start at about nine o'clock.
A. Are.
B. Would.
C. Did.
D. Shall.

8-7086 Leave everything as it .....
A. Will.
B. Is.
C. Could.
D. Might.

8-7108 I have never.... the Andes.
A. Went.
B. Visited.
C. Been.
D. Gone.

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A. Top Staff.
B. Fewer fellow passengers.
C. Cost-effective service.
D. Night service.

9-1708 You are answering the phone and need to ask the caller to wait for a moment. What do you say?
A. Please hang up
B. Please stay where you are
C. Please hold the line
D. Please put me through

9-6988 He speaks English ....
A. Definitely.
B. Fluently.
C. Fluent.
D. Good.

9-6993 She suggested I.... you.
A. Calling
B. Call.
C. To call.
D. Will call.

9-7062 The view from the top of the mountain is ..
A. Salty.
B. Delicious.
C. Breathtaking.
D. Ludicrous.

9-7076 If she caught the 7:30 flight, she ...
A. Was arrived on time.
B. Would arrive on time.
C. Was arriving on time.
D. Will arrive on time.

9-7077 If .... , I would understand you much better.
A. You will speak up.
B. You were speaking up.
C. You had spoken up.
D. You spoke up.

9-7509 Think of the City of London and you think of Sir Terence Conran; he already has 11 restaurants in or near the area but there's always (1) $\qquad$ for one more when it's as good as Sauterelle. Combining the perfect location and clever design has always been Conran's forte, and his latest wins on both scores. Inside the historic Royal Exchange building, Sauterelle's dining room (2) the huge central hall from the mezzanine, but this isn't (3) $\qquad$ a "view" restaurant. The menu is full of excellently prepared French classics like rabbit stew and chocolate tarts. While the City area may be hopping, the real action is in London's West End, specifically Mayfair. Not content with one hugely successful branch in the neighbourhood, the Nobu

Group recently opened a second on Berkeley Square. But unlike its older sister, Nobu Berkely has taken a beating from many critics. It's not that the food (4) $\qquad$ good. What irked these critics (and many diners) when it opened was the strict no-reservation policy that left you waiting in an overpriced bar for an hour or two. Management has wisely changed the policy, but whether the rather ungraceful service has improved remains (5) $\qquad$ Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (3)?
A. Already.
B. Yet.
C. Just.
D. Not.

10-1563 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
I have $\qquad$ admiration for working mothers.
A. nothing other as
B. nothing than
C. none but
D. nothing but

10-6936 The market demand is now .... due to a major slowdown.
A. Looking up.
B. Downing.
C. Stagnating.
D. Bright.

10-6963 .... to Mr. Kovac, haven't you?
A. You'll speak again.
B. He's still speaking.
C. You already spoke.
D. You've already spoken.

10-7025 He's very good at taking people ....!
A. Off.
B. Through.
C. Up.
D. Out.

10-7071 The race was ....due to the bad weather.
A. Done up.
B. Spiced up.
C. Enlivened.
D. Called off.

10-7132 The police issued a warrant for Adamson's arrent.
A. Were.
B. Must.
C. Was.
D. Have.

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illustrating the EU's commitment to encourage whistle-blowers". According to the second paragraph of the passage, vitamin producers were....
A. Convicted.
B. Punished.
C. Arrested.
D. Asked to sell up.

11-1408 Choose the best word to complete the following:My friend Catherine is a journalist. $\qquad$ job is very interesting.
A. His
B. Her
C. She's
D. Their

11-1700 Choose the best word to complete this question: $\qquad$ you like to come to Germany with me next month?
A. Will
B. Did
C. Would
D. Do

11-7066 If I ..... I'd tell you right now.
A. Know.
B. To know.
C. Knew.
D. Had known.

11-7107 I was leaving the house when Tom ....
A. Had got back.
B. Showed up.
C. Would show up.
D. Had showed up.

11-7120 You look puzzled.
A. Sei stanco.
B. Guarda questo puzzle.
C. Sembri confusa.
D. Sembri una persona difficile.

11-7131 They have put $\qquad$ the meeting $\qquad$ next week.
A. On / by.
B. Ahead / during.
C. Off / until.
D. Up / for

11-7517 As always happens, an industry grows up around any such laws (and lawsuits), dedicated to policing, sustaining and extending the legal framework. The industry consists of government bodies, (1)

Britain's Commission for Racial Equality, which investigate complaints; official agencies, such as France's Conseil Supérieur de l'Audiovisuel, which monitor the media for racist remarks; and (2) $\qquad$ number of informal organisations that represent minorities and win their spurs by doing battle with the political establishment. Laws against incitement to hatred tend to hamper (3) $\qquad$ of debate because they are too easily interpreted as laws against causing offence. The placing of sanctions on "offensive" speech risks conflating two different things: bigoted speech (4) $\qquad$ constructive criticism. The big danger is that, in the (5) $\qquad$ of stopping bigots, one may end up stopping all criticism. (The Economist Newspaper and The Economist Group, 2006). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (4)?
A. Not.
B. Yet.
C. But.
D. And.

12-1476 Choose the best phrase to complete the following:Why don't you buy yourself some new clothes? If you know you look good, you $\qquad$ more confident.
A. will no doubt be felt
B. will definitely feel
C. would hardly feel
D. would certainly have felt

12-1543 Choose the best phrase to complete this question:Could you date of birth please?
A. tell to me
B. say me your
C. tell me your
D. say to me

12-6960 As it was getting late, we .... to go.
A. Decided.
B. Took a decision.
C. Deciding.
D. Got decided.

12-7051 I have been .... tennis since 10 o'clock!
A. Play.
B. Playing.
C. To play.
D. Played.

12-7092 I do hope she's .... time!
A. On.
B. At.
C. Out.
D. In.

12-7180 He's been out three days in a row. He $\qquad$ be here today or the boss will have his head.
A. Will better.
B. Had better.
C. Should be.
D. Would be.

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A. Partnership.
B. Club.
C. Trading post.
D. Lodge.

13-1583 Choose the best phrase to start this sentence: Inverness is in Scotland.
A. Supposed
B. My opinion
C. According to mine
D. I think

13-6925 Which is the correct plural?
A. Congresseswomen.
B. Congresswomen.
C. Congresseswoman.
D. Congress'woman.

13-6951 We seem to be .... for bankruptcy!
A. Heading.
B. Dreaming.
C. Concentrating.
D. Aiding.

13-7031 The meeting was .... to another day.
A. Made up.
B. Cast away.
C. Put off.
D. Thrown out.

13-7070 Some new shares have just been
A. Conceived.
B. Issued.
C. Bred.
D. Elevated.

13-7073 " He .... it!".
A. Made me done.
B. Made me to do.
C. Made me doing.
D. Made me do.

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A. A severe warning.
B. An unfounded warning.
C. A sweet warning.
D. A legal warning.

14-1479 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: The manager thinks we should accept the contract and I $\qquad$ .
A. am agree
B. agree
C. agreeable
D. was agreed

14-1593 Which of the following sentences is NOT correct?
A. He was dismissed for molesting female members of staff
B. He was given the sack because he was always late for work
C. He was redundant because he argued with the boss
D. He was fired for stealing from his employer

14-1712 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
Would you like a coffee before $\qquad$ back to work?
A. you had gone
B. you will go
C. to go
D. you go

14-6959 .... other market possibilities, he mentioned a promising deal.
A. During our discussion.
B. Suddenly he'd mention.
C. While we were discussing.
D. While we were having.

14-7014 He's very good .... languages!
A. At.
B. In.
C. On.
D. About.

14-7142 On second thought, your solution seems the best.
A. Non voglio pensare di nuovo alla tua soluzione.
B. Senza pensarci due volte, la tua soluzione non sembra la migliore.
C. Ripensandoci bene, la tua soluzione sembra la migliore.
D. Non ho pensato a una soluzione migliore della tua.

14-7181 It took me twenty minutes to realise I $\qquad$ in the wrong file.
A. Had looked.
B. Have been looking.
C. Had been looking.
D. Looked.

15-1451 Choose the best word to complete the following:He said I was overweight and should go on a diet. After all the problems I've had this year I think that is so $\qquad$ !
A. easy-going
B. rude
C. kind
D. polite

15-7027 Turn .... the lights when you come in, will you?
A. For.
B. Out.
C. In.
D. At.

15-7055 I have lived in Worcester .... ten years.
A. For.
B. From.
C. Since.
D. As.

15-7069 The man was .... for questioning.
A. Traumatised.
B. Away.
C. Detained.
D. Drunk.

15-7136 Maria's coffee bar was $\qquad$ she decided to franchise it.
A. Such successful that.
B. Such successful as.
C. So successful that.
D. So successful than.

15-7140 If he knows the answer, he $\qquad$ it.
A. Repeated.
B. Can to repeat.
C. Will repeat.
D. Is repeating.

15-7168 She fainted, but came to shortly afterward.
A. È svenuta ma poco dopo è svenuta di nuovo.
B. È svenuta, ma ricorda tutte le cose recenti.
C. È svenuta, ma non ricorda niente delle cose recenti.
D. È svenuta, ma ha ripreso conoscenza poco dopo.

16-1371 Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following:Your purse? $\qquad$ in your office?
A. Isn't
B. Haven't you
C. Aren't
D. Isn't it

16-1740 Choose the best word to complete the following:I have a lot of responsibility. I also have to deal $\qquad$ all customer complaints at the department store.
A. by
B. to
C. for
D. with

16-6935 Mr. Smith doesn't work $\qquad$ Fridays.
A. Until.
B. On.
C. By.
D. At.

16-6938 Downsizing is certainly .... cruel.
A. Yet.
B. Rather.
C. Surely.
D. Just.

16-6956 We shall make the payment in due.
A. Course.
B. Time.
C. Weather.
D. Space.

16-7178 То $\qquad$ it may concern, I hereby designate Mathilda Jones $\qquad$ my attorney.
A. Whom / as.
B. Whom / like.
C. Who / as.
D. Whoever / such as.

16-7524 After the subway bombing last summer, the downturn predicted by so many London watchdogs never happened - if anything, it was just the opposite. Stoic Londoners have carried on with the characteristic stiff upper lip. And with that has come a rapid-fire succession of restaurants from some of the city's (and the world's) most closely watched chefs. Dining out is now one of the capital's favourite pastimes, bringing about the inevitable comparisons to New York. Future openings from heavy hitters like Joël Robuchon, who will make his mark on both London and Manhattan this year, draw the parallel even closer. But London is not just a stage for international players. Everyone passes through Borough Market at some point. It's become a Grand Central Station for food lovers, who stop to marvel at the furred and feathered game, to covet Brindisa's Spanish hams, or to graze at the dozens of stalls serving seared scallops, oysters, chorizo buns. Here, "heavy-hitter" means.....
A. Overweight.
B. Wealthy.
C. Well-known.
D. Spacious.

17-1386 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
I really like $\qquad$ to foreign countries.
A. travel
B. visit
C. seeing
D. going

17-1725 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
I $\qquad$ haven't seen the film that won the Cannes Film Festival this year.
A. yet
B. again
C. already
D. still

17-6917 Which number is written correctly?
A. Three thousands and two hundreds and forty two.
B. Three thousands two hundred and forty two.
C. Three thousand two hundred and forty two.
D. Three thousand two hundred and fourty two.

17-7046 How .... you are here?
A. Go.
B. Come.
C. Have.
D. Do.

17-7144 I tried to come, but I couldn't make it.
A. Potevo venire, ma non volevo farlo.
B. Sono venuto lo stesso, anche se non potevo.
C. Volevo proprio venire, ma non ce l'ho fatta.
D. Ho provato a venire, ma non ce l'ho fatta.

17-7197 She felt when she first arrived because she had $\qquad$ to talk to.
A. Lone / no one.
B. Lonely / anybody.
C. Lonely / nobody.
D. Alone / somebody.

17-7557 In 1999 Jack Straw, then Britain's home secretary, was attacked for being rude about an ethnic minority. There were demands for criminal investigations, appeals to various commissions and public agencies, a fevered debate over whether Mr Straw was racist. On that occasion, he was accused of demeaning gypsies by saying that people who masqueraded as travellers seemed to think they had a right to commit crimes. In the past few weeks Mr. Straw, now leader of the House of Commons, has triggered a similar response by arguing that the Muslim veil (i.e., the full, face-covering niqab) is an unhelpful symbol of separateness. This week he won the backing of his boss, Tony Blair. These episodes are reminders not that Mr. Straw is hostile to minorities (he isn't) but that any debate in Europe about minority rights soon degenerates into a fight between self-proclaimed community leaders, public agencies, the police, courts and the law. It may be hard to reconcile militant Islam with secular Europe. If you "back someone" you.....
A. Vote for them.
B. Help them.
C. Support them.
D. Show friendship towards them.

18-1713 Choose the best word to complete the following:My boss $\qquad$ to Florence for a meeting last week. He came back on Friday.
A. wore
B. went
C. was
D. were

18-1717 Which adverb CANNOT be used complete this sentence: This illness is thought to be $\qquad$ genetic in origin.
A. principally
B. primarily
C. mainly
D. organically

18-6922 He was sorry to $\qquad$ your birthday.
A. Lost.
B. Loose.
C. Forget.
D. Forgot.

18-6986 A flashlight is a battery-powered light .... you can carry around with you.
A. So that.
B. That.
C. In order.
D. What.

18-6995 I want .... to the store.
A. That you went.
B. You to go.
C. Who you go.
D. You'd go.
agriculture in order to increase the rate of productivity. Since then many years have gone by giving way to several important social changes which have transformed the Chianti area and economic crises that have alternated with sudden increases in productivity. Let's start (2) $\qquad$ the beginning: in the 19th century the Chianti landscape was dotted with a few villages and big farmhouses where the noble families (3) $\qquad$ enjoy their holidays. Agriculture was still bound to archaic systems of cultivation. Unlike all other crops that grew here and there and were directly taken by farmers for personal use, wine was sold and exported. The cultivation system on terraces was very complicated but it spurred farmers to (4) $\qquad$ higher rates of productivity. More and more land was then brought under crops, new country-houses mushroomed everywhere, special vines were selected and all estates were re-organized according to capitalist principles. This progress (5) place without the marvellous, natural landscape being damaged. ('Chianti' Latest Color Guide- by Carlo Grassetti, 1999). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (3)?
A. Use to.
B. Were use to.
C. Used to.
D. Were used to.

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A. Faults.
B. Low sales.
C. Low revenues.
D. Lay-offs.

19-1428 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
Rome is $\qquad$ .
A. a city very beautiful
B. a very beautiful city
C. the city very beautiful
D. very beautiful city

19-1707 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
I'll pay you back the money $\qquad$ I can get to the bank.
A. no sooner than
B. as soon as
C. sooner
D. as soon

19-6971 The company took .... shortly after the deal.
A. Over.
B. Up.
C. Down.
D. Out.
A. With.
B. Around.
C. To.
D. On.

19-7167 They went over my work with a fine-toothed comb.
A. Hanno soppresso il mio posto di lavoro in modo agguerrito.
B. Hanno continuato il mio lavoro con un pettine più fine.
C. Hanno passato al vaglio il mio lavoro.
D. Hanno rifatto il mio lavoro con più precisione.

19-7537 In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by $20 \%$, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic. The phrase "few firms are sheltered" means....
A. Not many companies are international.
B. Not many companies are protected.
C. Not many companies are competitive.
D. Not many companies are sold.

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A. Musically accompanied.
B. Low-keyed.
C. Adjusted specifically to.
D. High class.

20-1412 Choose the best phrase to complete the following:Hello, reception? an external line please?
A. I would
B. Can have
C. Can you give
D. Can I have

20-1431 Choose the best phrase to complete the following:If you are going to be interviewed for a new job, you as much as possible about what the interview will be like. Who'll be interviewing you? Does the interview include any tests or exercises?
A. may find
B. should find out
C. must look for
D. have to look after

20-1533 Choose the correct question for this answer:She's a film director.
A. What job your sister does?
B. What does your sister work?
C. What job does your sister?
D. What does your sister do?

20-1687 Which of the following would be an appropriate way to begin a formal letter to a person you don't know?
A. Illustrious Mister
B. Dear Sir
C. Dear Mrs
D. Dear Responsible

20-1704 Choose the best word to complete the following:I'm always exhausted because my job is so demanding. I'm $\qquad$ a coffee bar in the centre of town at the moment, so I'm busy every day except Sundays.
A. working
B. running
C. directing
D. having

20-7538 Bromley Limited (1) $\qquad$ in 1908. The founder of the company, Alec Bromley was a steeplejack. In the early years, Alec ran the business with his son, George. The pair owned a horse and cart, some essential tools and equipment and operated from a rented yard in Liverpool, England. Today there are very few steeplejacks left, as the trade has declined over the years. In the past, (2)
$\qquad$ , they were very much in demand. Steeplejacks were tradesmen (3) worked on tall structures, such as church steeples. As buildings became higher during the industrial revolution, steeplejacks were often employed to climb tall chimneys and work (4) tall buildings in order to carry out maintenance work. Instead of repairing buildings, many steeplejacks were also hired to knock them down. Demolishing chimneys and industrial structures was often part of the trade. At the time, (5) $\qquad$ the management of George Bromley, the firm was expanding into a regional company. Flyers were delivered by hand to mill owners and architects throughout the north-west of England. Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (4)?
A. On top the.
B. On top of.
C. At the top.
D. At top of.

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A. Attempt to cut costs.
B. Act of faith.
C. Attempt to reduce employers.
D. Attempt to stave off incoming airlines.

21-6912 I'm afraid we can't comment $\qquad$ the court's decision at this time.
A. To.
B. On.
C. Of.
D. At.

21-6974 I don't work in this sector and .... does she!
A. Neither.
B. Or.
C. Either.
D. Even.

21-6976 They sold their house .... they could buy a boat.
A. So that.
B. For that.
C. To allow.
D. In order.

21-7068 A new wall is .... built.
A. Being.
B. Has been.
C. Just.
D. Been.

21-7158 my family knew about my boyfriend.
A. No one.
B. Not any.
C. Anybody of.
D. None of.

21-7170 Everyone was surprised when he turned down the offer.
A. Sono rimasti tutti senza parole quando lui ha abbassato l'offerta.
B. Lui ha sorpreso tutti quando ha cambiato l'offerta.
C. Tutti erano sorpresi quando ha rifiutato l'offerta.
D. Si sono tutti sorpresi che la sua offerta fosse così bassa.

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A. By.
B. Of.
C. Under.
D. According.

22-1730 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: By this time next week we $\qquad$ the new computer system.
A. have installed
B. will have installed
C. will installing
D. will have been installing

22-6957 I don't suppose I could have a glass of water, ....?
A. Couldn't I.
B. Could I.
C. I suppose.
D. Dol.

22-7087 I wish it .... snow!
A. Has.
B. Would.
C. Had.
D. Will.

22-7135 is very much a part of Barbara's character.
A. Helpfulness.
B. Helping.
C. Helpful.
D. Help.

22-7179 Call me at 10 p.m. By that time my parents $\qquad$ -
A. Have left.
B. Will have been leaving.
C. Will have left.
D. Will leave.

22-7525 After the subway bombing last summer, the downturn predicted by so many London watchdogs never happened - if anything, it was just the opposite. Stoic Londoners have carried on with the characteristic stiff upper lip. And with that has come a rapid-fire succession of restaurants from some of the city's (and the world's) most closely watched chefs. Dining out is now one of the capital's favourite pastimes, bringing about the inevitable comparisons to New York. Future openings from heavy hitters like Joël Robuchon, who will make his mark on both London and Manhattan this year, draw the parallel even closer. But London is not just a stage for international players. Everyone passes through Borough Market at some point. It's become a Grand Central Station for food lovers, who stop to marvel at the furred and feathered game, to covet Brindisa's Spanish hams, or to graze at the dozens of stalls serving seared scallops, oysters, chorizo buns. "Furred and feathered game" refers to.....
A. New recipes.
B. Exotic kitchen utensils.
C. Culinary sport.
D. Wild animals.

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A. Plain passenger.
B. Vehicle that carries flags.
C. National airline.
D. A new plane.

23-1426 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: The notebook $\qquad$ in the office yesterday evening, but now it's gone!
A. be
B. was
C. aren't
D. were

23-1609 Choose the best word or words to complete this sentence:
There's $\qquad$ speculation about who will become the new leader of the Labour Party when the Prime Minister retires.
A. many
B. very
C. too much
D. a lot

23-6969 Neither you .... Tom should use that knife!
A. Or.
B. Heather.
C. Either.
D. Nor.

23-7015 I wish it .... rain so much in this place!
A. Didn't.
B. Hadn't.
C. Shouldn't.
D. Wouldn't.

23-7043 They say that ".... killed the cat ", so don't be nosy!
A. Pregnancy.
B. Curiosity.
C. Intimacy.
D. Familiarity.

23-7098 If you buy shares you become.
A. A stockholder.
B. A bonded person.
C. A shared man.
D. A sparring partner.

23-7546 '(1) the only creature that consumes without producing. He does not give milk, he does not lay eggs, he is too weak to pull the plough, he cannot run (2) $\qquad$ enough to catch rabbits. Yet he is lord of all the animals. He sets them to work, he gives back to them the bare minimum that will prevent them from starving, and the rest he keeps for himself. Our labour tills the soil, our dung fertilises it, and yet there is (3) $\qquad$ of us that owns more than his bare skin. You cows that I see before me, how many thousands of gallons of milk have you given during this last year? And what has happened to that milk which (4) $\qquad$ breeding up sturdy calves? Every drop of it has gone down the throats of our enemies. And you hens, how many eggs have you (5) in this last year, and how many of those eggs ever hatched into chickens? The rest have all gone to market to bring in money for Jones and his men. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (1)?
A. The man is.
B. The men are.
C. Man is.
D. Men are.

24-1686 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
If I $\qquad$ a cake, will you bring some wine?
A. will make
B. had made
C. would be making
D. make

24-6966 What do you like .... in your spare time?
A. To doing.
B. Being done.
C. Doing.
D. Do.

24-6973 He works very, very
A. In a caring way.
B. Carefully.
C. Likely.
D. Careful.

24-7078 ...., if he doesn't call you by tomorrow afternoon.
A. I'll have let you know.
B. I'd have let you know.
C. I'll let you know.
D. I'd let you know.

24-7121 I couldn't make it to work yesterday.
A. Non potevo farlo ieri al lavoro.
B. Ieri non volevo andare al lavoro.
C. Non ho potuto farlo funzionare ieri.
D. Non sono riuscito ad andare al lavoro ieri.

24-7176 If I $\qquad$ to university, I $\qquad$ the possibility to work in this field.
A. Hadn't gone / had had.
B. Hadn't been / would had.
C. Had gone / wouldn't have.
D. Hadn't gone / wouldn't have had.

24-7201 Serena: "My daughter's been promoted to General Manager." Tom: " be so proud!"
A. Hasn't she.
B. Has she.
C. Had she.
D. Is she.

25-1465 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
When she lived in the centre, she $\qquad$ the bus to work.
A. was often taking
B. used take often
C. often was taking
D. would often take

25-6920 The milk has gone off. It is:
A. Ripe.
B. Sour.
C. Rotten.
D. Stale.

25-6941 Most carmakers have .... It hard to increase profit.
A. Created.
B. Discovered.
C. Managed.
D. Found.

25-7096 Marconi will soon ....JTC Ltd.
A. Take up.
B. Take off.
C. Take out.
D. Take over.

25-7149 A $\qquad$ the wedding guests $\qquad$ sitting and playing cards.
A. Few of / were.
B. Few / be.
C. Some / were.
D. Couple / was.

25-7195 I'm really worried $\qquad$ you. You don't seem to care $\qquad$ anything anymore.
A. About / about.
B. For / toward.
C. Toward / for.
D. With / for.

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A. Stabilize them.
B. Shift them.
C. Increase them.
D. Disfigure them.

26-6965 First of all, you'll have to .... that the signature on these documents is genuine.
A. Accord.
B. Do.
C. Make sure.
D. Comply.

26-6997 I spoke slowly .... she could understand me.
A. In order.
B. To allow.
C. For that.
D. So that.

26-7041 He had been waiting for ten minutes when he came to the .... that he was in the wrong shop.
A. Conclusion.
B. Station.
C. Reason.
D. Town centre.

26-7084 Shut the door on your way out, ....?
A. Are you.
B. Did you.
C. Will you.
D. Do you.

26-7504 Three nights later old Major died peacefully in his sleep. His body was buried at the foot of the orchard. This was early (1) $\qquad$ March. During the next three months there was much secret activity. Major's speech had given to the more intelligent animals on the farm a completely new outlook on life. They did not know when the Rebellion predicted by Major would take place, they had no reason for (2) that it would be within their own lifetime, but they saw clearly that it was their duty to prepare for it. The work of teaching and organising the others fell naturally (3) the pigs, who were generally recognised as being the cleverest of the animals. Pre-eminent among the pigs were two young boars named Snowball and Napoleon, whom Mr Jones (4) up for sale. Napoleon was a large, rather fierce-looking Berkshire boar, the only Berkshire on the farm, not much of a talker but with a reputation for (5) $\qquad$ his own way. Snowball was a more vivacious pig than Napoleon, quicker in speech and more inventive, but was not considered to have the same depth of character. All the other make pigs on the farm were porkers. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (3)?
A. By.
B. Near.
C. In.
D. To.

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A. Getting.
B. Convincing.
C. Saying.
D. Pushing.

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A. How often they apologize and who they apologize to.
B. When they apologize and the reason for their apology.
C. How long the apology lasts and where the press conference is held.
D. At what time of the day they apologize and why they are apologizing.

27-1381 Choose the best word to complete the following:He never knows where things are and his desk is always in such a mess! He leaves papers everywhere and is always losing his keys. He's just so $\qquad$
A. neat
B. undone
C. untidy
D. fussy

27-1591 You are at an office party with your husband and encounter a senior colleague who hasn't met your husband before. What do you say?
A. Let me present you with my husband.
B. Do you like to meet my husband?
C. Would you mind knowing my husband?
D. May I introduce you to my husband?

27-1742 Choose the best way to begin this sentence: our expectations, we found that the bank was quite willing to give us a loan to cover our debts.
A. Opposite
B. As against
C. Counter
D. Contrary to

27-6949 Did you agree to take .... the job?
A. On.
B. In.
C. At.
D. For.

27-7054 .... he's a good student!
A. Although.
B. On the whole.
C. As he know.
D. Mostly and largely.

27-7128 This morning I .... into Tom Brown!
A. Ran.
B. Jumped.
C. Skipped.
D. Scuttled.

27-7130 I forgot my keys, so I break the window and climb $\qquad$ .
A. Must / through it.
B. Could / over it.
C. Had to / through it.
D. Had to / across it.

28-1470 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
The department $\qquad$ he works for will soon be closed.
A. where
B. it
C. what
D. that

28-1502 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
I do work at home.
A. lot of
B. a lot of
C. a lot
D. lot

28-1534 Which sentence is correct?
A. I very like my job
B. I like very much my job
C. I like much my job
D. I like my job very much

28-6975 She .... here since 1988. And she's still with us.
A. Had been working.
B. Has worked.
C. Worked.
D. Had been worked.

28-7072 She's the .... intelligent of the girls.
A. Less.
B. Little.
C. Small.
D. Least.

28-7499 In 1830 baron Bettino Ricasoli, the father of Chianti wine, (1) $\square$ to industrialize agriculture in order to increase the rate of productivity. Since then many years have gone by giving way to several important social changes which have transformed the Chianti area and economic crises that have alternated with sudden increases in productivity. Let's start (2) $\qquad$ the beginning: in the 19th century the Chianti landscape was dotted with a few villages and big farmhouses where the noble families (3) $\qquad$ enjoy their holidays. Agriculture was still bound to archaic systems of cultivation. Unlike all other crops that grew here and there and were directly taken by farmers for personal use, wine was sold and exported. The cultivation system on terraces was very complicated but it spurred farmers to (4) $\qquad$ higher rates of productivity. More and more land was then brought under crops, new country-houses mushroomed everywhere, special vines were selected and all estates were re-organized according to capitalist principles. This progress (5) place without the marvellous, natural landscape being damaged. ('Chianti' Latest Color Guide- by Carlo Grassetti, 1999). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (4)?
A. Fry.
B. Goal.
C. Reach.
D. Aim.

28-7532 ITV made its long-awaited debut on digital satellite television last night after an agreement with BSkyB that followed months of negotiations. Until now ITV has been available in digital form only on cable and digital terrestrial TV. But from last night the digital version of ITV1, with its 16 regional variations, was available on Sky Digital. The ITV2 channel will follow in the next few days and will be available for the first time in the 5.5 million homes with digital satellite - an increase of more than 150 per cent on its current audience. The deal between ITV and BSkyB, in which the News Corporation, parent company of The Times, has a 36.3 per cent stake, should give an advertising revenue boost to Granada and Carlton, the two main ITV companies. Advertisers were angered by the fact that ITV was not carried on Sky Digital, the country's most popular digital platform. ITV will pay BSkyB about $£ 13$ million a year under the deal. Stuart Prebble, chief executive of ITV, said last night that the deal was "good news for satellite viewers", who will be able to watch ITV1 and ITV2 with digital quality pictures and full programme information. ITV debut on digital satellite television took...
A. A couple of weeks.
B. Almost a week.
C. Quite a while.
D. A short time.

29-1391 Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following:Their children don't get any exercise. They just watch television $\qquad$ .
A. every time
B. all day
C. ever
D. each time

29-1456 You read the following newspaper headline:Get away for less. The article will be about...
A. buying a house
B. a low-cost travel offer
C. online trading
D. increased train fares

29-1654 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
Everyone $\qquad$ pay taxes.
A. have to
B. has to
C. doesn't have
D. don't have

29-7013 I haven't seen him .... 1989 .
A. Since when.
B. For.
C. Since.
D. From.

29-7033 It's high time you .... a better job!
A. Founding.
B. Funded.
C. Found.
D. Find.

29-7100 It's no use .... over spilt milk!
A. Crying.
B. Cry.
C. Having cried.
D. To cry.

29-7162 Can I give you advice?
A. Many.
B. A lot.
C. Much.
D. Some.

30-6945 I have worked here .... 1990.
A. Since.
B. From.
C. As.
D. For.

30-7032 ".... you are here, I'm off! See you!".
A. Like.
B. For.
C. Since.
D. When.

30-7110 He's a good man. They all .... him.
A. Look at.
B. Look out to.
C. Look into.
D. Look up to.

30-7113 He won't be here, ....
A. Will he?.
B. Shan't he?.
C. Wouldn't he?.
D. Doesn't he?.

30-7129 We look $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ from you.
A. Forward / hearing.
B. Delighted / hearing.
C. Glad / hear.
D. Happily / hear.

30-7173 Once a list of suitable candidates $\qquad$ we can contact $\qquad$ to arrange interviews.
A. Have been drawn up / they.
B. Has been drawn up / them.
C. Has drawn up / their.
D. Is drew up / to them.

30-7501 The Treasury Select Committee is to launch an inquiry into the planned take-over of Liffe, the London Futures exchange, by Euronext, the alliance of the Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam stock exchanges. The unusual move is thought to have been provoked by growing concern among committee members about the impact on the City of London of the $£ 555$ million cash take-over. The committee will hear evidence from Liffe and Euronext officials on December 13. It will then question officials from the London Stock Exchange, which lost out in the auction for Liffe despite tabling a higher offer. "Philip Morris switch challenged": Philip Morris, the tobacco company, has become embroiled in a dispute about its proposed name change. Altria Healthcare, a private medical billing company in America, is concerned about Philip Morris's proposed name change to Altria Group. "It is of great concern to a healthcare business to have a big tobacco and alcohol company wish to adopt an identical name," Warren Smedley, Altria Healthcare's president, said. Philip Morris said it had conducted all necessary searches and was confident that it was not in breach of any laws and would not confuse Altria Healthcare's customers. Which sentence is true:
A. Philip Morris deliberately chose the name Altria Group to confuse customers.
B. Altria Healthcare was taken over by Altria Group.
C. Philip Morris has ruffled some feathers by choosing the name Altria Group.
D. Warren Smedley changed jobs.

31-1469 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: I'd like to take six months off work and go on a $\qquad$ round the world.
A. travel
B. travelling
C. journey
D. trips

31-6943 Large factories are .... to produce several models.
A. Expert.
B. Experiencing.
C. Cleverly.
D. Able.
A. Around.
B. For.
C. About.
D. Like.

31-7009 All the hydrochloric acid .... in this tank.
A. Is stored.
B. Are storing.
C. Are store.
D. Is store.

31-7017 I regret .... my job.
A. Left.
B. The leaving.
C. Leaving.
D. To leave.

31-7143 The milk has gone off.
A. Il latte non è mio.
B. Il prezzo del latte è aumentato.
C. Il latte non è più buono.
D. Il latte è finito.

31-7547 '(1) $\qquad$ the only creature that consumes without producing. He does not give milk, he does not lay eggs, he is too weak to pull the plough, he cannot run (2) $\qquad$ enough to catch rabbits. Yet he is lord of all the animals. He sets them to work, he gives back to them the bare minimum that will prevent them from starving, and the rest he keeps for himself. Our labour tills the soil, our dung fertilises it, and yet there is (3) $\qquad$ of us that owns more than his bare skin. You cows that I see before me, how many thousands of gallons of milk have you given during this last year? And what has happened to that milk which (4) $\qquad$ breeding up sturdy calves? Every drop of it has gone down the throats of our enemies. And you hens, how many eggs have you (5) in this last year, and how many of those eggs ever hatched into chickens? The rest have all gone to market to bring in money for Jones and his men. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (2)?
A. Quick.
B. Speedy.
C. Fastly.
D. Fast.

32-6915 The accident at 9 p.m. and the ambulance arrived within 10 minutes.
A. Was reporting.
B. Was reported.
C. Has been reported.
D. Had reported.

32-6964 The higher the discount, ....
A. As higher the savings.
B. Ever higher the savings.
C. The more we pay.
D. The more you save.

32-6985 You .... have a driver's license to ride a bike.
A. Aren't allowed to.
B. Don't need to.
C. Mustn't.
D. Shouldn't.

32-7160 Please, hurry up! I have to call Jim $\qquad$ 5 o'clock.
A. By.
B. Until.
C. To.
D. From.

32-7198 Well, I'd rather you $\qquad$ invite the CEO, if you don't $\qquad$ .
A. Shouldn't / care.
B. Didn't / mind.
C. Wouldn't / mind.
D. Mustn't / to mind.

32-7200 Red wine $\qquad$ to benefit circulation.
A. Has found.
B. Has been found.
C. Was being found.
D. Founded.

32-7520 The European Commission yesterday issued a harsh warning to businesses seeking to run cartels by fining eight vitamin producers a total of 855 million Euros ( $£ 530$ million) for fixing prices for almost a decade. Roche, the Swiss drugs group, was fined 462 million in the highest award to date imposed by the EU on a single company for market abuse. BASF, the German chemical group, was fined 296 million for its part in the cartel, which was known as Vitamins Inc and was exposed in 1999. Both BASF, which described its fine as "inappropriately high", and Roche are considering an appeal. Competition experts said the huge fines underlined the EU's commitment to crackdown on restrictive business practices. Aventis, the French drugs group, escaped fines in connection to two vitamins in return for co-operating with inquiries. Samantha Mobley, EU competition partner at the law firm Baker \& McKenzie, said: "It is the first time a company has achieved a 100 per cent reduction in a fine, illustrating the EU's commitment to encourage whistle-blowers". "Roche was fined" means....
A. Roche was penalised.
B. Roche lost its grip.
C. Roche was made redundant.
D. Roche lost a market dispute.

33-1445 Choose the best phrase to complete this question:Does anyone know how much $\qquad$ on staff per year?
A. the department spends
B. is spending the department
C. does the department spend
D. spends the department

33-1521 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence. $\qquad$ left after the tourist office and you will see the Marine Hotel on the right.
A. Turn on
B. Turn
C. Take
D. Go to

33-7039 Millions of people in the world live in dreadful
A. Beaches.
B. Conditions.
C. Errands.
D. Valleys.

33-7079 If you don't write down the date and time of the message,
A. Tom would never know.
B. Tom never knew.
C. Tom would know.
D. Tom will never know.

33-7155 I'm sorry, I .1 about Jim.
A. Wasn't concentrating / was thinking.
B. Was thinking / was concentrating.
C. Didn't concentrate / was thinking.
D. Was concentrating / didn't think.

33-7163 Complete the question. "Could you tell me $\qquad$ "
A. How long it takes to get to Seattle?.
B. How long takes it to get to Seattle?.
C. How long does it take to get to Seattle?
D. How long to get to Seattle it takes?.

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A. Oversees.
B. Looks over.
C. Overlooks.
D. Gives out on.

34-1394 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
To improve our balance of payments, we must increase productivity and $\qquad$ expenditure.
A. pull lower
B. put under
C. drop out of
D. cut down on

34-1517 Choose the best verb to complete this sentence: By midnight yesterday all the forms $\qquad$ to the Commission.
A. we send
B. had been sent
C. are gone
D. were transmitting

34-1546 Choose the best phrase to complete this question. $\qquad$ money did the government ask them for?
A. "How much"
B. A lot of
C. Too much
D. How many

34-6992 The cottage is .... fire.
A. Of.
B. On.
C. At.
D. Up.

34-7016 I wish it .... rain!
A. Has.
B. Had.
C. Would.
D. Will.

34-7101 The more the ....
A. Little.
B. Small.
C. Less.
D. Better.

34-7511 Think of the City of London and you think of Sir Terence Conran; he already has 11 restaurants in or near the area but there's always (1) $\qquad$ for one more when it's as good as Sauterelle. Combining the perfect location and clever design has always been Conran's forte, and his latest wins on both scores. Inside the historic Royal Exchange building, Sauterelle's dining room (2) the huge central hall from the mezzanine, but this isn't (3) a
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A. Seeing.
B. To be seen.
C. To see.
D. Seen.

35-1409 Which question is correct?
A. How does the weather in Rome?
B. What's the weather like in Rome?
C. How the weather is in Rome?
D. What's like the weather in Rome?

35-1587 You are telephoning Dr Paton. What do you say when her secretary answers the phone?
A. Good morning, may I speak to Dr Paton please?
B. Good morning, do I speak with Dr Paton please?
C. Good morning, am I speaking Dr Paton please?
D. Good morning, can I speak Dr Paton please?

35-1658 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
Angela told me $\qquad$ was said at the meeting.
A. that which
B. which
C. that what
D. "what"

35-1723 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
You will feel more confident about your new job when you $\qquad$ in it for another month.
A. have been
B. are
C. will be
D. were

35-6998 I'll .... have to go to Madrid next month for a meeting.
A. Maybe.
B. Probably.
C. Perhaps.
D. Might.

35-7028 .... is this? It's the Browns'.
A. Who.
B. Whom.
C. Whose.
D. What.

35-7157 The boy admitted $\qquad$ the toy.
A. He breaks.
B. Breaking.
C. To break.
D. Broken.

36-1508 Which verb CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? I've $\qquad$ an appointment with the dentist next week, because I'm really worried about the state of my teeth.
A. fixed
B. done
C. arranged
D. made

36-1545 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
You $\qquad$ send the original documents, a photocopy will do.
A. don't need
B. mustn't
C. couldn't
D. don't have to

36-6923 Which of the following is not a part of the human body?
A. Heal.
B. Lap.
C. Calf.
D. Palm.

36-6979 I've never .... anything like it before.
A. To see.
B. Seen.
C. See.
D. Saw.

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A. Lied.
B. Laid.
C. Layed.
D. Lain.

36-7554 In 1999 Jack Straw, then Britain's home secretary, was attacked for being rude about an ethnic minority. There were demands for criminal investigations, appeals to various commissions and public agencies, a fevered debate over whether Mr Straw was racist. On that occasion, he was accused of demeaning gypsies by saying that people who masqueraded as travellers seemed to think they had a right to commit crimes. In the past few weeks Mr. Straw, now leader of the House of Commons, has triggered a similar response by arguing that the Muslim veil (i.e., the full, face-covering niqab) is an unhelpful symbol of separateness. This week he won the backing of his boss, Tony Blair. These episodes are reminders not that Mr. Straw is hostile to minorities (he isn't) but that any debate in Europe about minority rights soon degenerates into a fight between self-proclaimed community leaders, public agencies, the police, courts and the law. It may be hard to reconcile militant Islam with secular Europe. The word "demeaning" means
A. Lowering the dignity.
B. Defining.
C. Treating.
D. Changing the meaning.

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A. Debates in Europe about minority rights turn into free-for-alls.
B. Mr. Shaw can't stand minorities.
C. Mr. Shaw has been drawing up a list of minority rights.
D. The law sides with minorities.

37-1374 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
The busy terminal is now returning $\qquad$ .
A. to the norm
B. to the normal
C. normally
D. to normal

37-1570 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
Her sister is expecting a baby in June, so they $\qquad$ a holiday this year.
A. is going to have
B. won't be having
C. going to get
D. haven't

37-6933 Not only did my husband make me dinner, he $\qquad$ did the washing up!
A. So.
B. Only.
C. Too.
D. Even.

37-6948 What are you good ....?
A. For.
B. At.
C. In.
D. On.

37-7134 Italian people differ $\qquad$ other nationalities I know.
A. From.
B. As.
C. To.
D. About.

37-7502 Three nights later old Major died peacefully in his sleep. His body was buried at the foot of the orchard. This was early (1) $\qquad$ March. During the next three months there was much secret activity. Major's speech had given to the more intelligent animals on the farm a completely new outlook on life. They did not know when the Rebellion predicted by Major would take place, they had no reason for (2) that it would be within their own lifetime, but they saw clearly that it was their duty to
prepare for it. The work of teaching and organising the others fell naturally (3) the pigs, who were generally recognised as being the cleverest of the animals. Pre-eminent among the pigs were two young boars named Snowball and Napoleon, whom Mr Jones (4) up for sale. Napoleon was a large, rather fierce-looking Berkshire boar, the only Berkshire on the farm, not much of a talker but with a reputation for (5) $\qquad$ his own way. Snowball was a more vivacious pig than Napoleon, quicker in speech and more inventive, but was not considered to have the same depth of character. All the other make pigs on the farm were porkers. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (1)?
A. On.
B. At.
C. By.
D. In.

37-7522 After the subway bombing last summer, the downturn predicted by so many London watchdogs never happened - if anything, it was just the opposite. Stoic Londoners have carried on with the characteristic stiff upper lip. And with that has come a rapid-fire succession of restaurants from some of the city's (and the world's) most closely watched chefs. Dining out is now one of the capital's favourite pastimes, bringing about the inevitable comparisons to New York. Future openings from heavy hitters like Joël Robuchon, who will make his mark on both London and Manhattan this year, draw the parallel even closer. But London is not just a stage for international players. Everyone passes through Borough Market at some point. It's become a Grand Central Station for food lovers, who stop to marvel at the furred and feathered game, to covet Brindisa's Spanish hams, or to graze at the dozens of stalls serving seared scallops, oysters, chorizo buns. Londoners are described as
A. People not easily phased.
B. Being indifferent to bombings.
C. Having a sense of superiority.
D. People concerned about safety.

38-1612 Which word CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? Why is the USA $\qquad$ in Africa?
A. investing
B. intending
C. interested
D. involved

38-1664 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence. James Chan doesn't live in Hong Kong any
A. when
B. long
C. much
D. more

38-6989 The dish is normally .... at Christmas.
A. Ate.
B. Eaten.
C. Eating.
D. Eat.

38-7021 I wish she .... speak so much!
A. Wouldn't.
B. Hadn't.
C. Weren't.
D. Didn't.

38-7185 I $\qquad$ not to mention it.
A. Was told.
B. Was said.
C. Was telling.
D. Told.

38-7192 The market demand is now $\qquad$ due to a major slowdown.
A. Looking up.
B. Stagnating.
C. Downing.
D. Bright.

38-7533 Bromley Limited (1) $\qquad$ in 1908. The founder of the company, Alec Bromley was a steeplejack. In the early years, Alec ran the business with his son, George. The pair owned a horse and cart, some essential tools and equipment and operated from a rented yard in Liverpool, England. Today there are very few steeplejacks left, as the trade has declined over the years. In the past, (2)
$\qquad$ , they were very much in demand. Steeplejacks were tradesmen (3) worked on tall structures, such as church steeples. As buildings became higher during the industrial revolution, steeplejacks were often employed to climb tall chimneys and work (4) tall buildings in order to carry out maintenance work. Instead of repairing buildings, many steeplejacks were also hired to knock them down. Demolishing chimneys and industrial structures was often part of the trade. At the time, (5) $\qquad$ the management of George Bromley, the firm was expanding into a regional company. Flyers were delivered by hand to mill owners and architects throughout the north-west of England. Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (2)?
A. However.
B. Although.
C. Moreover.
D. But.

39-1406 Choose the best word or phrase to begin this sentence:
$\qquad$ I manage to get through all the letters I have to write this morning, I'll be able to start working on the new project this afternoon.
A. Whether
B. However
C. As long as
D. Since

39-1696 Only one of these sentences is correct. Which one?
A. I would never do anything like that
B. I'll see you tomorrow at eight, like usual
C. She works in the same department like me
D. She is similar like her brother

39-1750 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence :I am going to London to do a summer course to
$\qquad$ _.
A. get to know the language better
B. know better English language
C. know better the English
D. better know English language
A. Want.
B. Desire.
C. Strength.
D. Time.

39-7065 He's terribly .... . He doesn't remember anything you tell him.
A. Easygoing.
B. Forgetful.
C. Outgoing.
D. Stable.

39-7127 | $\qquad$ studied physics if the teacher $\qquad$ interesting.
A. Wouldn't have / hadn't been.
B. Would have / hadn't been.
C. Wouldn't have / was.
D. Wouldn't / hadn't been.

39-7190 He drove off without saying a word.
A. Ha parlato poco mentre guidava.
B. Ha guidato la macchina in modo strano.
C. Ha guidato la macchina senza mai parlare.
D. Se ne andò in macchina senza dire una parola.

40-1407 Choose the best phrase to complete this question:How many questions $\qquad$ in this test?
A. are they
B. there are
C. they are
D. are there

40-1449 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: Mark writes for a $\qquad$ newspaper.
A. Dutch
B. France
C. Sweden
D. Germany

40-6932 The opposite of to whisper is:
A. To laugh.
B. To cry.
C. To howl.
D. To shout.

40-7119 Did you know that Tom has been hanging out with Steve?
A. Sapevi che Tom e Steve vivono fuori casa?
B. Hai saputo che Steve ha cacciato Tom fuori di casa?
C. Sai che Tom fuori di casa non parla con Steve?
D. Sapevi che Tom frequenta Steve?

40-7146 How come Lisa's putting you up this week?
A. Perché Lisa ti ospita questa settimana?
B. É vero che Lisa questa settimana manderà te?
C. Come arriva Lisa questa settimana?
D. Come può aiutarti Lisa questa settimana?

40-7194 At first, my friend didn't want to hire Wendy. But, because I had previously worked with Wendy, I told
A. Must / her.
B. Has to / she.
C. Ought to / her.
D. 'd had to / she.

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A. Seat.
B. Area.
C. Position.
D. Room.

41-1726 Choose the best word to complete this question:I'm sorry. I didn't understand your name. Can you your surname please?
A. spell
B. writing
C. tell
D. syllable

41-6914 Silvia's flight from Sao Paolo took more than 10 hours. She be exhausted after such a long flight.
A. Had.
B. Must.
C. Had better.
D. Can.

41-7007 Planes travel .... than trains, but getting on and off planes at airports is very slow.
A. More quick.
B. The quickest.
C. More quickly.
D. As quickly.

41-7008 The company spent over six million dollars on improving safety. The scheme was a big success. Now, the firm has . accidents.
A. Little.
B. More.
C. Lesser.
D. Fewer.

41-7059 It would have taken a .... to solve that particular problem.
A. Long time.
B. Some years.
C. Years.
D. Small timing.

41-7063 As soon as he was arrested, the man gave some .... to the police.
A. Information.
B. Out.
C. Mistakes.
D. Point.

41-7164 Life would be much simpler if you $\qquad$ worrying so much.
A. Will stop.
B. Stopped.
C. Have stopped.
D. Stop.

42-1584 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: Working in the office $\qquad$ dealing with the public.
A. isn't tiring as
B. isn't as tiring as
C. is as tired than
D. is more tired than

42-1656 Choose the best word or words to complete the following:I'm quite an ambitious person. I want general manager in a few years' time.
A. to become
B. I become
C. that I become
D. becoming

42-1714 Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following:Ian McEwan is a British writer. $\qquad$ from Hampshire.
A. He come
B. Come
C. He's
D. Is

42-6991 The house is .... painted at the moment.
A. Being.
B. Has.
C. Was.
D. Been.

42-6996 I usually enjoy .... to training courses.
A. Go.
B. Going.
C. For going.
D. To go.

42-7061 This disease has spread .... in the past few years.
A. Out.
B. Down.
C. In.
D. Up.

42-7090 Telling lies never...
A. Pays.
B. Gives.
C. Dares.
D. Takes.

43-1637 Which word CANNOT be used as a synonym for prevents in the following newspaper headline?Russia prevents plan to sell arms to African states.
A. blocks
B. interferes with
C. helps
D. stops

43-1752 Choose the best way to complete the following: Please $\qquad$ need any further information. I will be very pleased to provide it.
A. let me know if you
B. if let me know you
C. if you let me know
D. let me know you if

43-7050 Tom has just left the office. In other words he's ....
A. In.
B. Up.
C. Down.
D. Out.

43-7151 I'm really quite lost. $\qquad$ you $\qquad$ showing me how to get out of here?
A. Must / mind.
B. Might / minding.
C. Would / be.
D. Would / mind.

43-7512 Japanese expression of regret and atonement are finely tuned to the circumstances. So students of etiquette were quick to note that the apology issued by Sony on Tuesday October 24th, for manufacturing occasionally inflammable laptop batteries, was less than whole-hearted. In a land where shamed executives are not shy of shedding tears during shows of contrition, the seated shallow bow performed by some of the Japanese electronic giant's bosses was deemed a middling act of corporate obeisance. Sony's apology is part of a growing trend for business leaders to say sorry to consumers (and sometimes to workers and shareholders) for corporate shortcomings. Of late, Steve Jobs was widely praised for taking responsibility for Apple's problems over the backdating of share-options. Mark Hurd, Hewlett-Packard's boss, got a critical reaction to his more equivocal "apology" for a recent scandal that swept the American tech firm. As companies appear to be quicker at accepting the blame for failures, the timing and scope of their apologies are coming under ever-greater scrutiny. The ofttouted example of an exemplary corporate reaction to trouble is that of Johnson \& Johnson in the early 1980s after several people died after taking a drug called Tylenol. Though the product had been deliberately poisoned with cyanide while on shop shelves the firm's chief executive apologized repeatedly and profusely, production ceased and over 30 m bottles were recalled at a cost of some $\$ 100 \mathrm{~m}$. Despite huge public disquiet about the drug at the time, sales of Tylenol quickly recovered. Another word for "whole-hearted" is....
A. Cold.
B. Sincere.
C. Warm.
D. Hypocritical.

43-7523 After the subway bombing last summer, the downturn predicted by so many London watchdogs never happened - if anything, it was just the opposite. Stoic Londoners have carried on with the characteristic stiff upper lip. And with that has come a rapid-fire succession of restaurants from some of the city's (and the world's) most closely watched chefs. Dining out is now one of the capital's favourite pastimes, bringing about the inevitable comparisons to New York. Future openings from heavy hitters like Joël Robuchon, who will make his mark on both London and Manhattan this year, draw the parallel even closer. But London is not just a stage for international players. Everyone passes through Borough Market at some point. It's become a Grand Central Station for food lovers, who stop to marvel at the furred and feathered game, to covet Brindisa's Spanish hams, or to graze at the dozens of stalls serving seared scallops, oysters, chorizo buns. "A rapid-fire succession of restaurants" are .....
A. A series of restaurants opening quickly.
B. A series of restaurants opening near each other.
C. A series of restaurants burning down.
D. A series of restaurants closing quickly.

43-7529 The Treasury Select Committee is to launch an inquiry into the planned take-over of Liffe, the London Futures exchange, by Euronext, the alliance of the Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam stock exchanges. The unusual move is thought to have been provoked by growing concern among committee members about the impact on the City of London of the $£ 555$ million cash take-over. The committee will hear evidence from Liffe and Euronext officials on December 13. It will then question officials from the London Stock Exchange, which lost out in the auction for Liffe despite tabling a higher offer. "Philip Morris switch challenged": Philip Morris, the tobacco company, has become embroiled in a dispute about its proposed name change. Altria Healthcare, a private medical billing company in America, is concerned about Philip Morris's proposed name change to Altria Group. "It is of great concern to a healthcare business to have a big tobacco and alcohol company wish to adopt an identical name," Warren Smedley, Altria Healthcare's president, said. Philip Morris said it had conducted all necessary searches and was confident that it was not in breach of any laws and would not confuse Altria Healthcare's customers. "Philip Morris has become embroiled". In other words,....
A. PM has become entangled.
B. PM has lost prestige.
C. PM has become cheaper.
D. PM has become less competitive.

44-6928 I $\qquad$ not to mention it.
A. Was telling.
B. Was told.
C. Was said.
D. Told.

44-7004 I'm responsible .... with complaints.
A. For dealing.
B. To deal.
C. To dealing.
D. For deal.

44-7058 Tonight I will probably ....
A. Take you for.
B. Take you out.
C. Take you down.
D. Take you up.

44-7085 "Of course! It goes without ...."
A. Saying.
B. Doing.
C. Speaking.
D. Telling.

44-7103 Does she play the piano? Yes, she ...
A. Does.
B. Would.
C. Did.
D. Do.

44-7510 Think of the City of London and you think of Sir Terence Conran; he already has 11 restaurants in or near the area but there's always (1) $\qquad$ for one more when it's as good as Sauterelle. Combining the perfect location and clever design has always been Conran's forte, and his latest wins on both scores. Inside the historic Royal Exchange building, Sauterelle's dining room (2) the huge central hall from the mezzanine, but this isn't (3) $\qquad$ a
"view" restaurant. The menu is full of excellently prepared French classics like rabbit stew and
chocolate tarts. While the City area may be hopping, the real action is in London's West End, specifically Mayfair. Not content with one hugely successful branch in the neighbourhood, the Nobu Group recently opened a second on Berkeley Square. But unlike its older sister, Nobu Berkely has taken a beating from many critics. It's not that the food (4) $\qquad$ good. What irked these critics (and many diners) when it opened was the strict no-reservation policy that left you waiting in an overpriced bar for an hour or two. Management has wisely changed the policy, but whether the rather ungraceful service has improved remains (5) $\qquad$ . Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (4)?
A. Isn't.
B. Cannot be.
C. Be.
D. Is.

44-7555 In 1999 Jack Straw, then Britain's home secretary, was attacked for being rude about an ethnic minority. There were demands for criminal investigations, appeals to various commissions and public agencies, a fevered debate over whether Mr Straw was racist. On that occasion, he was accused of demeaning gypsies by saying that people who masqueraded as travellers seemed to think they had a right to commit crimes. In the past few weeks Mr. Straw, now leader of the House of Commons, has triggered a similar response by arguing that the Muslim veil (i.e., the full, face-covering niqab) is an unhelpful symbol of separateness. This week he won the backing of his boss, Tony Blair. These episodes are reminders not that Mr. Straw is hostile to minorities (he isn't) but that any debate in Europe about minority rights soon degenerates into a fight between self-proclaimed community leaders, public agencies, the police, courts and the law. It may be hard to reconcile militant Islam with secular Europe. If you "masquerade" you ....
A. Behave badly.
B. Dress theatrically.
C. Buy strange clothes.
D. Assume a false appearance.

45-1442 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: I work $\qquad$ Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.
A. at
B. at the
C. to the
D. in

45-1444 Choose the best phrase to complete this question: $\qquad$ to drive if you have had more than two alcoholic drinks?
A. Can you
B. Are you allowed
C. Must you
D. Do you permit

45-6994 .... is bad for you.
A. To smoke.
B. Smoking.
C. Having smoked.
D. The smoking.

45-7093 Of all my friends, Tom is the one I like the .... .
A. Smaller.
B. More.
C. Most.
D. Less.

45-7099 It's about time you .... some work!
A. Did.
B. Will do.
C. Done.
D. Do.

45-7169 Alice is sincere through and through.
A. Alice è completamente sincera.
B. Alice qualche volta è sincera.
C. Alice non è completamente sincera.
D. Alice non è sempre sincera.

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A. Some.
B. Few.
C. Little.
D. Any.

46-1388 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: Several people ___ his suggestion and some emails were exchanged about this.
A. responded to
B. answered him
C. told
D. replied

46-1549 Choose the best phrase to complete this question. to do the training program face-to-face or online?
A. Is it cheaper
B. Is cheap
C. Is cheaper
D. Cost less

46-1680 Choose the correct phrase to complete this sentence. The manager said that all personal telephone calls $\qquad$ .
A. might have to pay
B. should have paid
C. had to be paid for
D. must have paid for

46-1684 Choose the best word to complete this question: do you like your job?
A. Who
B. What
C. Why
D. Where

46-6968 How .... did it cost?
A. Much.
B. Many.
C. War.
D. Well.

46-7125 Mr. Smith doesn't work $\qquad$ Fridays or $\qquad$ weekends.
A. At / in.
B. By / till.
C. Until / at.
D. On / at.

46-7189 I'm sick and tired of this affair.
A. Questo affare mi causa malessere.
B. Sono nervoso per questo affare.
C. Sono stufo di questo affare.
D. Questo affare mi confonde.

47-1510 Choose the best word or words to complete the question:Who $\qquad$ this afternoon? I heard that someone was looking for me.
A. does ring
B. rang
C. ring
D. rung

47-7053 The President has just announced his
A. Resignation.
B. Regretful.
C. Pain.
D. Discharge.

47-7102 There's no point .... going back now.
A. In.
B. Up.
C. Out.
D. At.

47-7104 Tom .... tennis since 10 o'clock.
A. Have played.
B. Has been playing.
C. Played.
D. Had played.

47-7114 You can stay out late .... that you go with Tom.
A. Provided.
B. When.
C. Even.
D. However.

47-7183 I thought it was a waste of time $\qquad$ that film.
A. Seeing.
B. See.
C. Seen.
D. To saw.

47-7535 Bromley Limited (1) $\qquad$ in 1908. The founder of the company, Alec Bromley was a steeplejack. In the early years, Alec ran the business with his son, George. The pair owned a horse and cart, some essential tools and equipment and operated from a rented yard in Liverpool, England. Today there are very few steeplejacks left, as the trade has declined over the years. In the past, (2)
$\qquad$ , they were very much in demand. Steeplejacks were tradesmen (3) worked on tall structures, such as church steeples. As buildings became higher during the industrial revolution, steeplejacks were often employed to climb tall chimneys and work (4) many steeplejacks were also hired to knock them down. Demolishing chimneys and industrial structures was often part of the trade. At the time, (5) the management of George Bromley, the firm was expanding into a regional company. Flyers were delivered by hand to mill owners and architects throughout the north-west of England. Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (1)?
A. Has been established.
B. Was established.
C. Established.
D. Were established.

48-1512 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: I wish I $\qquad$ the small print before I signed the contract.
A. read
B. would read
C. had read
D. would have read

48-1698 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
There is an excellent $\qquad$ of Vermeer's paintings on at the Royal Academy at the moment.
A. exhibition
B. performance
C. demonstration
D. manifestation

48-1735 Choose the best word or words to complete the following:I love Berlin. It's a really lively and exciting place, and the people $\qquad$ friendly.
A. are much
B. are very
C. they are more
D. they are a lot

48-6921 Chose the correct noun form for the verb 'to advise'?
A. Advice.
B. Advicing.
C. Advise.
D. Addvice.

48-7037 There is no .... for paying women less than men if they do the same job.
A. Reason.
B. Use.
C. Point.
D. Time.

48-7133 The football coach wanted to improve the $\qquad$ fitness.
A. Players.
B. Players'.
C. Player's.
D. Players's.

48-7516 As always happens, an industry grows up around any such laws (and lawsuits), dedicated to policing, sustaining and extending the legal framework. The industry consists of government bodies, (1) Britain's Commission for Racial Equality, which investigate complaints; official agencies, such as France's Conseil Supérieur de l'Audiovisuel, which monitor the media for racist remarks; and (2) $\qquad$ number of informal organisations that represent minorities and win their spurs by doing battle with the political establishment. Laws against incitement to hatred tend to hamper (3) $\qquad$ of debate because they are too easily interpreted as laws against causing offence. The placing of sanctions on "offensive" speech risks conflating two different things: bigoted
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A. Openness.
B. Opening.
C. The exchanging.
D. Open.

49-1392 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: My sister's husband $\qquad$ thirty-five.
A. is
B. aged
C. have
D. is old

49-1471 Choose the best verb form to complete this question:Where did they all $\qquad$ after the party?
A. going
B. went
C. gone
D. $g o$

49-6939 How much do you think ....?
A. Is it.
B. Can it be.
C. Is this.
D. It is.

49-7042 There is very little .... if you share a small flat with six others!
A. House.
B. Room.
C. Flat.
D. Water.

49-7091 She can't play the piano! In fact, she's ...
A. Sly.
B. Hopeless.
C. Cunning.
D. Artful.

49-7109 The "Mayor of London" is a ....
A. Relic.
B. Statue.
C. Bust.
D. Person.

49-7549'(1) $\qquad$ the only creature that consumes without producing. He does not give milk, he does not lay eggs, he is too weak to pull the plough, he cannot run (2) $\qquad$ enough to catch rabbits. Yet he is lord of all the animals. He sets them to work, he gives back to them the bare minimum that will prevent them from starving, and the rest he keeps for himself. Our labour tills the soil, our dung fertilises it, and yet there is (3) $\qquad$ of us that owns more than his bare skin. You cows that I see before me, how many thousands of gallons of milk have you given during this last year? And what has happened to that milk which (4) $\qquad$ breeding up sturdy calves? Every drop of it has gone down the throats of our enemies. And you hens, how many eggs have you (5) in this last year, and how many of those eggs ever hatched into chickens? The rest have all gone to market to bring in money for Jones and his men. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (3)?
A. Not none.
B. Not some.
C. Not one.
D. No one.

50-1370 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: Don't buy that jacket - it's $\qquad$ for you.
A. bigger
B. too much big
C. too big
D. too big size

50-1483 Choose the correct answer for this question:Did you get the job?
A. Yes, I have got
B. Yes, I did
C. Yes, I got
D. Yes, I get it

50-6954 The company is thinking about .... some managers.
A. Rubbing.
B. Disposing.
C. Removing.
D. Disrupting.

50-6977 Do you really enjoy .... that sort of music?
A. To listen.
B. Listening.
C. Listening to.
D. Listen to.

50-7018 When she got to the station, the train .... already left!
A. Had been.
B. Was.
C. Had.
D. Has.

50-7057 I don't mind .... to the cinema.
A. Going.
B. Gone.
C. To go.
D. Go.

50-7541 The European Commission yesterday issued a harsh warning to businesses seeking to run cartels by fining eight vitamin producers a total of 855 million Euros ( $£ 530$ million) for fixing prices for almost a decade. Roche, the Swiss drugs group, was fined 462 million in the highest award to date imposed by the EU on a single company for market abuse. BASF, the German chemical group, was fined 296 million for its part in the cartel, which was known as Vitamins Inc and was exposed in 1999. Both BASF, which described its fine as "inappropriately high", and Roche are considering an appeal. Competition experts said the huge fines underlined the EU's commitment to crackdown on restrictive business practices. Aventis, the French drugs group, escaped fines in connection to two vitamins in return for co-operating with inquiries. Samantha Mobley, EU competition partner at the law firm Baker \& McKenzie, said: "It is the first time a company has achieved a 100 per cent reduction in a fine, illustrating the EU's commitment to encourage whistle-blowers". According to BASF, the fine was "inappropriately high". In other words,....
A. It was right.
B. It was cool.
C. It was far too soon.
D. It was far too high.

51-1571 Which sentence means the same as this one? The train leaves at 8.35.
A. The train leaves at twenty-five past eight
B. The train leaves at thirty-five minutes to eight
C. The train leaves at nine minus twenty-five
D. The train leaves at twenty five to nine.

51-7034 This time next year I'll .... to Australia!
A. To fly.
B. Be flying.
C. Flying.
D. Flew.

51-7152
information our company is now possible on line.
A. To obtain / from.
B. Obtaining / about.
C. For obtaining / of.
D. Obtain / about.

51-7199 If only I $\qquad$ taller, life would be easier.
A. Had been / so.
B. Were / so much.
C. Was / a lot of.
D. Am / so much.

51-7494 ITV made its long-awaited debut on digital satellite television last night after an agreement with BSkyB that followed months of negotiations. Until now ITV has been available in digital form only on cable and digital terrestrial TV. But from last night the digital version of ITV1, with its 16 regional variations, was available on Sky Digital. The ITV2 channel will follow in the next few days and will be available for the first time in the 5.5 million homes with digital satellite - an increase of more than 150 per cent on its current audience. The deal between ITV and BSkyB, in which the News Corporation, parent company of The Times, has a 36.3 per cent stake, should give an advertising revenue boost to Granada and Carlton, the two main ITV companies. Advertisers were angered by the fact that ITV was not carried on Sky Digital, the country's most popular digital platform. ITV will pay BSkyB about $£ 13$ million a year under the deal. Stuart Prebble, chief executive of ITV, said last night that the deal was "good news for satellite viewers", who will be able to watch ITV1 and ITV2 with digital quality pictures and full programme information. "Under the deal" means.....
A. In compliance with the deal.
B. Before the deal.
C. Prior to the deal.
D. After the deal.

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Britain's Commission for Racial Equality, which investigate complaints; official agencies, such as France's Conseil Supérieur de l'Audiovisuel, which monitor the media for racist remarks; and (2) $\qquad$ number of informal organisations that represent minorities and win their spurs by doing battle with the political establishment. Laws against incitement to hatred tend to hamper (3) $\qquad$ of debate because they are too easily interpreted as laws against causing offence. The placing of sanctions on "offensive" speech risks conflating two different things: bigoted speech (4) $\qquad$ constructive criticism. The big danger is that, in the (5) $\qquad$ of stopping bigots, one may end up stopping all criticism. (The Economist Newspaper and The Economist Group, 2006). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (1)?
A. For example.
B. Such.
C. Such as.
D. Whereas.

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A. Scientific matters.
B. Legal matters.
C. Unknown matters.
D. Grey matters.

52-1440 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
There will soon be wireless computers in $\qquad$ office.
A. every
B. whole
C. both
D. all

52-1464 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: Do you prefer to $\qquad$ the air conditioning on while you are working?
A. take
B. go
C. keep
D. hold

52-1728 Choose the best word to complete this question. Where $\qquad$ you like to go this evening?
A. are
B. can
C. does
D. would

52-1745 Choose the best word to complete the following:He never turns up on time. He's totally $\qquad$ .
A. unreliable
B. trustworthy
C. sensitive
D. unsuitable

52-6926 There was a $\qquad$ between two aircrafts last week.
A. Collition.
B. Collision.
C. Colision.
D. Colliding.

52-6983 I haven't heard the news
A. Last night.
B. At one o'clock.
C. Today.
D. Yesterday.

52-7010 Before .... the letter we ought to contact the client.
A. To write.
B. Writing.
C. We are writing.
D. Has written.

53-1398 Which of the following is NOT a member of the family?
A. grand-daughter
B. niece
C. uncle
D. cushion

53-1537 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
I $\qquad$ so many people at the Live8 concert last month.
A. meet
B. have known
C. met
D. knew

53-1719 Choose the correct phrase to complete the following: You in an election, but I think you should. If you have the right to vote, you should take advantage of it.
A. have to vote
B. don't have to vote
C. needn't have voted
D. need to vote

53-6955 Ian speaks much .... than Roger.
A. Worsen.
B. Well.
C. Good.
D. Better.

53-7035 Never .... such a beautiful church!
A. Have I seen.
B. I will see.
C. I have seen.
D. Dol see.

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A. The first.
B. Frequently mentioned.
C. Very old.
D. Rarely told.

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A. Should have been.
B. Can't have been.
C. Must have been.
D. Can have been.

54-1473 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: On my first trip abroad, I lived for a month $\qquad$ a German family.
A. on
B. with
C. by
D. $a t$

54-1588 Which word or phrase CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? Professor Firth's plane $\qquad$ at 23.00 tomorrow evening.
A. is arriving
B. is arrived
C. arrives
D. will arrive

54-6929 Choose the most appropriate adjective. A moody person is $\qquad$ .
A. Optimistic.
B. Confused.
C. Unpredictable.
D. Excitable.

54-6967 Everybody .... her for saving the old man from drowning.
A. Prohibited.
B. Accused.
C. Congratulated.
D. Praised.

54-7020 Before .... switch off the lights.
A. Leaving.
B. Come.
C. Go.
D. To leave.

54-7029 Who .... you tell?
A. Has.
B. Have.
C. Had.
D. Did.

54-7115 We leave York .... London at 7.30 tomorrow morning.
A. For.
B. Towards.
C. To.
D. On.

55-1375 Which of the following is NOT a place in a house?
A. bathroom
B. living room
C. chicken
D. hall

55-1460 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: My boss $\qquad$ me that the report was due in by Friday.
A. said
B. remembered
C. recalled
D. reminded

55-6913 Tomorrow is our wedding anniversary. We for 35 years.
A. Are going to be married.
B. Will have been married.
C. Will be marrying.
D. Will be married.

55-6946 How much progress .... you made so far?
A. Did.
B. Might.
C. Have.
D. Has.

55-7147 The meeting was .... to another day.
A. Cast away.
B. Thrown out.
C. Put off.
D. Made up.

55-7188 I never expected him to let us down that way.
A. Non avrei mai aspettato il suo permesso.
B. Non mi sarei mai aspettato che ci deludesse così.
C. Non mi sarei mai aspettato che ci lasciasse in quella strada.
D. Non l'avrei mai aspettato giù per quella strada.

55-7497 In 1830 baron Bettino Ricasoli, the father of Chianti wine, (1) $\qquad$ to industrialize agriculture in order to increase the rate of productivity. Since then many years have gone by giving way to several important social changes which have transformed the Chianti area and economic crises that have alternated with sudden increases in productivity. Let's start (2) $\qquad$ the beginning: in the 19th century the Chianti landscape was dotted with a few villages and big farmhouses where the noble families (3) $\qquad$ enjoy their holidays. Agriculture was still bound to archaic systems of cultivation. Unlike all other crops that grew here and there and were directly taken by farmers for personal use, wine was sold and exported. The cultivation system on terraces was very complicated but it spurred farmers to (4) $\qquad$ higher rates of productivity. More and more land was then brought under crops, new country-houses mushroomed everywhere, special vines were selected and all estates were re-organized according to capitalist principles. This progress (5) place without the marvellous, natural landscape being damaged. ('Chianti' Latest Color Guide- by Carlo Grassetti, 1999). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (2)?
A. Of.
B. From.
C. By.
D. In.

56-1424 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
I am not familiar with this technology yet so I am going to $\qquad$ research on it.
A. make
B. do some
C. do any
D. make a

56-1586 Choose the best word or words to complete this sentence:
It rained all last weekend $\qquad$ we didn't go to the seaside.
A. so
B. by
C. through
D. because of

56-6952 She can't stand .... by herself!
A. Worked.
B. To work.
C. Work.
D. Working.

56-7175 The jump was such a daunting prospect that he decided $\qquad$ doing it.
A. About.
B. Against.
C. Off.
D. On.

56-7186 The results of the test were doctored up.
A. I risultati dell'esame sono stati mandati al dottore.
B. I risultati dell'esame sono stati firmati dal dottore.
C. I risultati dell'esame sono stati pubblicati.
D. I risultati dell'esame sono stati falsificati.

56-7530 ITV made its long-awaited debut on digital satellite television last night after an agreement with BSkyB that followed months of negotiations. Until now ITV has been available in digital form only on cable and digital terrestrial TV. But from last night the digital version of ITV1, with its 16 regional variations, was available on Sky Digital. The ITV2 channel will follow in the next few days and will be available for the first time in the 5.5 million homes with digital satellite - an increase of more than 150 per cent on its current audience. The deal between ITV and BSkyB, in which the News Corporation, parent company of The Times, has a 36.3 per cent stake, should give an advertising revenue boost to Granada and Carlton, the two main ITV companies. Advertisers were angered by the fact that ITV was not carried on Sky Digital, the country's most popular digital platform. ITV will pay BSkyB about $£ 13$ million a year under the deal. Stuart Prebble, chief executive of ITV, said last night that the deal was "good news for satellite viewers", who will be able to watch ITV1 and ITV2 with digital quality pictures and full programme information. Its current audience will ..... by $150 \%$.
A. Goup.
B. Go through.
C. Go astray.
D. Goon.

56-7556 In 1999 Jack Straw, then Britain's home secretary, was attacked for being rude about an ethnic minority. There were demands for criminal investigations, appeals to various commissions and public agencies, a fevered debate over whether Mr Straw was racist. On that occasion, he was accused of demeaning gypsies by saying that people who masqueraded as travellers seemed to think they had a right to commit crimes. In the past few weeks Mr. Straw, now leader of the House of Commons, has triggered a similar response by arguing that the Muslim veil (i.e., the full, face-covering niqab) is an unhelpful symbol of separateness. This week he won the backing of his boss, Tony Blair. These episodes are reminders not that Mr. Straw is hostile to minorities (he isn't) but that any debate in Europe about minority rights soon degenerates into a fight between self-proclaimed community leaders, public agencies, the police, courts and the law. It may be hard to reconcile militant Islam with secular Europe. To "trigger a response" is to....
A. Repeat a response.
B. Initiate a response.
C. Shoot a response.
D. Publicise a response.

57-6984 There's a choice of two colours. You can buy them in .... red or green.
A. As well as.
B. Whether.
C. Either.
D. Also.

57-7019 It's .... since I last .... him!
A. Years / saw.
B. Months / will see.
C. Several / years.
D. A lot / seen.

57-7026 It's about time you made .... your mind!
A. On.
B. In.
C. Out.
D. Up.

57-7049 " How are you today?" - " .... ."
A. Best.
B. Fine.
C. Fined.
D. Refinery.

57-7067 No names have yet .... made.
A. Been.
B. Being.
C. Just.
D. Still.

57-7166 I know I made a mistake, but you don't have to rub it in.
A. Sapevo di sbagliare, ma l'ho fatto lo stesso.
B. Lo so che ho sbagliato, ma tu non farla lunga.
C. Sbagliando si impara.
D. Lo so che ho fatto uno sbaglio, ma tu non devi cancellarlo.

57-7521 After the subway bombing last summer, the downturn predicted by so many London watchdogs never happened - if anything, it was just the opposite. Stoic Londoners have carried on with the characteristic stiff upper lip. And with that has come a rapid-fire succession of restaurants from some of the city's (and the world's) most closely watched chefs. Dining out is now one of the capital's favourite pastimes, bringing about the inevitable comparisons to New York. Future openings from heavy hitters like Joël Robuchon, who will make his mark on both London and Manhattan this year, draw the parallel even closer. But London is not just a stage for international players. Everyone passes through Borough Market at some point. It's become a Grand Central Station for food lovers, who stop to marvel at the furred and feathered game, to covet Brindisa's Spanish hams, or to graze at the dozens of stalls serving seared scallops, oysters, chorizo buns. "Downturn" means...
A. Change.
B. Decline.
C. Demolition.
D. Refusal.

58-1727 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: Our customers usually pay
A. there
B. you're
C. ours
D. their

58-6927 I went to the library to $\qquad$ a book.
A. Loan.
B. Borrow.
C. Take.
D. Lend.

58-7011 I'd go if I .... you!
A. Was.
B. Has been.
C. Were.
D. Had been.

58-7075 I knew you .... show up!
A. Hasn't.
B. Wasn't.
C. Didn't.
D. Wouldn't.

58-7095 I always do my ....
A. Best.
B. Good.
C. Better.
D. Well.

58-7123 you be so kind as $\qquad$ the window?
A. Could / to open.
B. Would / opening.
C. Should / to open.
D. Would / to open.

58-7496 In 1830 baron Bettino Ricasoli, the father of Chianti wine, (1) $\square$ to industrialize agriculture in order to increase the rate of productivity. Since then many years have gone by giving way to several important social changes which have transformed the Chianti area and economic crises that have alternated with sudden increases in productivity. Let's start (2) $\qquad$ the beginning: in the 19th century the Chianti landscape was dotted with a few villages and big farmhouses where the noble families (3) $\qquad$ enjoy their holidays. Agriculture was still bound to archaic systems of cultivation. Unlike all other crops that grew here and there and were directly taken by farmers for personal use, wine was sold and exported. The cultivation system on terraces was very complicated but it spurred farmers to (4) $\qquad$ higher rates of productivity. More and more land was then brought under crops, new country-houses mushroomed everywhere, special vines were selected and all estates were re-organized according to capitalist principles. This progress (5) place without the marvellous, natural landscape being damaged. ('Chianti' Latest Color Guide- by Carlo Grassetti, 1999). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (1)?
A. Decided.
B. Was decided.
C. Has decided.
D. Had decided.

59-1518 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: Eritrea is the most exciting country
A. I have ever visited
B. I never went
C. I ever been
D. I have never gone

59-1544 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: He's worked in this department $\qquad$ .
A. from 2000 to 2004
B. for a long time
C. since five years
D. when he was 30

59-1688 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
At the time of my visit last April, Kembruck Inc. $\qquad$ a successful, $£ 340$ million advertising campaign.
A. was just finishing
B. have already finished
C. has finished
D. had been finished

59-7006 .... signing here, please?
A. Would you like.
B. Would you mind.
C. Would you want.
D. Would you care.

59-7030 This morning I .... into Tom Brown!
A. Scuttled.
B. Skipped.
C. Ran.
D. Jumped.

59-7060 Tom is the boy .... lives in Nashville.
A. Whom.
B. That.
C. Which.
D. Whose.

59-7154 She regards $\qquad$ as a failure for having dropped out $\qquad$ university.
A. Self / in.
B. Her own self / of.
C. Herself / at.
D. Herself / of.

60-1655 Choose the best word to complete this sentence. Veronica has three $\qquad$ Barbara, Helen and Peter.
A. sons
B. daughters
C. child
D. children

60-6958 She's a .... nicer person than I thought she was.
A. Quite.
B. Such.
C. Much.
D. Very.

60-7081 I wish she .... married me then.
A. Has.
B. Were.
C. Had.
D. Was.

60-7094 Tim denied .... the boy.
A. To beating.
B. Beat.
C. Was beaten.
D. Beating.

60-7196 When I see James, $\qquad$ him you said.
A. I'll tell / what.
B. I tell / that.
C. I'm telling / that.
D. I told / which.

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A. A deterrent for viewers.
B. A long way off.
C. Attractive for satellite viewers.
D. Near.

60-7534 Bromley Limited (1) in 1908. The founder of the company, Alec Bromley was a steeplejack. In the early years, Alec ran the business with his son, George. The pair owned a horse and cart, some essential tools and equipment and operated from a rented yard in Liverpool, England. Today there are very few steeplejacks left, as the trade has declined over the years. In the past, (2)
$\qquad$ , they were very much in demand. Steeplejacks were tradesmen (3) worked on tall structures, such as church steeples. As buildings became higher during the industrial revolution, steeplejacks were often employed to climb tall chimneys and work (4) tall buildings in order to carry out maintenance work. Instead of repairing buildings, many steeplejacks were also hired to knock them down. Demolishing chimneys and industrial structures was often part of the trade. At the time, (5) $\qquad$ the management of George Bromley, the firm was expanding into a regional company. Flyers were delivered by hand to mill owners and architects throughout the north-west of England. Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (3)?
A. Who.
B. Whom.
C. Which.
D. Where.

61-1389 Choose the best words to complete this sentence:
Sorry. Sandra isn't here at the moment. She's
A. gone out
B. been away
C. went home
D. came back

61-1566 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence:
A. would have given
B. would present
C. would receive
D. would be got

61-1589 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: I listened to a football match on the radio.
A. Next week
B. Tomorrow night
C. Yesterday evening
D. The last night

61-1618 Which word or phrase CANNOT be used to complete this sentence?
Omega Systems announced that it did not support the criminal prosecution of a Russian hacker last week.
A. taken into custody
B. arrested
C. kept
D. captured

61-7117 What do these initials stand for?
A. Cosa fanno per sé prima di tutto?
B. Qual è il principio di tutto?
C. Fa qualcosa per sé prima di iniziare?
D. Che cosa significano queste iniziali?

61-7156 I had been $\qquad$ what to cook for dinner when the telephone $\qquad$ -.
A. Studying / rings.
B. Guessing / had been ringing.
C. Wondering / rang.
D. Asking / was ringing.

61-7531 ITV made its long-awaited debut on digital satellite television last night after an agreement with BSkyB that followed months of negotiations. Until now ITV has been available in digital form only on cable and digital terrestrial TV. But from last night the digital version of ITV1, with its 16 regional variations, was available on Sky Digital. The ITV2 channel will follow in the next few days and will be available for the first time in the 5.5 million homes with digital satellite - an increase of more than 150 per cent on its current audience. The deal between ITV and BSkyB, in which the News Corporation, parent company of The Times, has a 36.3 per cent stake, should give an advertising revenue boost to Granada and Carlton, the two main ITV companies. Advertisers were angered by the fact that ITV was not carried on Sky Digital, the country's most popular digital platform. ITV will pay BSkyB about $£ 13$ million a year under the deal. Stuart Prebble, chief executive of ITV, said last night that the deal was "good news for satellite viewers", who will be able to watch ITV1 and ITV2 with digital quality pictures and full programme information. "Revenue" is another word for.....
A. A bond.
B. Income.
C. A share.
D. A stock.

62-1541 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
The company $\qquad$ in the red for some years when it was forced to close down.
A. was already operated
B. had already been operating
C. already operating
D. has already operated

62-6916 The shutters were closed and the lights were switched off at my neighbours house. They on holiday.
A. Mustn't have gone.
B. Can't have been.
C. Must have been.
D. Should be.

62-6924 Italian people differ $\qquad$ other nationalities I know.
A. As.
B. To.
C. From.
D. About.

62-6942 There .... a considerable amount of consolidation among suppliers.
A. Has been.
B. Going to be.
C. Were.
D. Was going.

62-7097 In the US, shares are also known as
A. Assets.
B. Securities.
C. Stocks.
D. Bonds.

62-7159 "I've never been to Prague." "Neither
A. Have I."
B. Do I."
C. Was I."
D. Had I."

62-7182 I really regretted my mistake. It was one that I $\qquad$ .
A. Ought not to have made.
B. Mustn't make.
C. Ought not to be making.
D. Had not to make.

63-1411 Choose the best word or words to complete this sentence:
I want to become a judge so I am studying $\qquad$ .
A. the rights
B. law
C. right
D. jury

63-1611 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
I like $\qquad$ news on the radio in the morning.
A. listen to
B. to listen
C. listening to the
D. listening

63-1705 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
Pedro Almodòvar is a film director from $\qquad$ .
A. Spanish
B. the Spain
C. Spain
D. the Spanish

63-6990 All boarding passes .... to the flight attendant before boarding.
A. Must be giving.
B. Must give.
C. Must be given.
D. Must have given.

63-7138 Tomorrow I have an appointment $\qquad$ .
A. To get cut my hair.
B. To have cut my hair.
C. To have my hair cut.
D. To cut my hair.

63-7193 Large factories are $\qquad$ to produce several models.
A. Experiencing.
B. Able.
C. Cleverly.
D. Expert.

63-7492 In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by $20 \%$, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic. Several new plants have been set up.....
A. To set new regulations.
B. To support foreign customers.
C. To respond to demand overseas.
D. To curb inflation.

64-1438 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
Do you think that the government will ever $\qquad$ back capital punishment?
A. take
B. fetch
C. hold
D. bring

64-1475 Choose the best word to complete this sentence: I like Caroline personally, I don't think she is the person best qualified for the job.
A. However
B. Despite
C. Although
D. Nevertheless

64-1690 Which sentence is correct?
A. I haven't seen him for a long time
B. It's a long time I don't see him
C. I don't see him since a long time
D. It's a long time I did not see him

64-1754 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: John Baxter sent a report this afternoon from $\qquad$ the disaster scene.
A. close to
B. next
C. in front
D. far

64-6980 The door of the plane is open. Is everybody ready? Ok ... jump!
A. Let's.
B. Let you.
C. Let's go.
D. Let.

64-7052 Have you ever been to the UK?
A. Yes I had.
B. Yes I have.
C. Yes I will.
D. Yes I did.

64-7141 He threw away a chance to go to China.
A. Ha sprecato l'occasione di andare in Cina.
B. Ha mandato qualcuno in Cina.
C. Ha dato un'occasione a qualcuno per andare in Cina.
D. Ha invitato qualcuno ad andare in Cina.

65-1613 Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following:That isn't your desk. It's $\qquad$ .
A. hers
B. your
C. he's
D. main

65-1729 Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following:This is our area manager. He $\qquad$ all the day-to-day business at the company.
A. is in charge of
B. deals
C. is responsive
D. responds to

65-6978 If this rain .... soon, we'll run around and go back home.
A. Won't stop.
B. Doesn't stop.
C. Isn't stopping.
D. Not stopping.

65-7112 Let's go out, ....
A. Don't we?.
B. Do we?.
C. Shan't we?
D. Shall we?

65-7161 There was a man $\qquad$ was looking for you.
A. In which.
B. Which.
C. Whom.
D. Who.

65-7171 Alfred is now hanging around only well-to-do people!
A. Alfred frequenta solamente gente altolocata!
B. Alfred vuole conoscere gente importante e per questo viaggia molto!
C. Alfred spera un giorno di incontrare gente che ami viaggiare!
D. Alfred è alla ricerca di brava gente!

65-7172 I had to deny $\qquad$ request.
A. Her / it's.
B. Him / his.
C. him / it's.
D. To him / his.

66-1535 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence:
The Prime Minister returned to Scotland $\qquad$ .
A. next afternoon
B. the evening of yesterday
C. last night
D. tomorrow morning

66-7001 We've delivered it, but we haven't installed it ....
A. Still.
B. Yet.
C. Now.
D. Already.

66-7089 Let's go out, ....?
A. Don't we.
B. Won't we.
C. Will we.
D. Shall we.

66-7118 That theory will never hold water.
A. Quella teoria non piacerà mai a nessuno.
B. Quella teoria non sarà mai pubblicata.
C. É una teoria inutile.
D. Quella teoria non reggerà mai.

66-7124 the play is set in Italy, $\qquad$ the characters are Italian.
A. However / little of.
B. But / the few.
C. Although / few of.
D. Although / the little.

66-7505 Three nights later old Major died peacefully in his sleep. His body was buried at the foot of the orchard. This was early (1) $\qquad$ March. During the next three months there was much secret activity. Major's speech had given to the more intelligent animals on the farm a completely new outlook on life. They did not know when the Rebellion predicted by Major would take place, they had no reason for (2) that it would be within their own lifetime, but they saw clearly that it was their duty to prepare for it. The work of teaching and organising the others fell naturally (3) $\qquad$ the pigs, who were generally recognised as being the cleverest of the animals. Pre-eminent among the pigs were two young boars named Snowball and Napoleon, whom Mr Jones (4) up for sale. Napoleon was a large, rather fierce-looking Berkshire boar, the only Berkshire on the farm, not much of a talker but with a reputation for (5) $\qquad$ his own way. Snowball was a more vivacious pig than Napoleon, quicker in speech and more inventive, but was not considered to have the same depth of character. All the other make pigs on the farm were porkers. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (4)?
A. Was breeding.
B. Were breeding.
C. Will have been breeding.
D. Has been breeding.

66-7539 In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by $20 \%$, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic. Hyper-competition can sometimes be....
A. Stringent.
B. Enduring.
C. Transient.
D. Long.

67-1472 Which of the following is NOT a school subject?
A. story
B. physics
C. maths
D. chemistry

67-1615 Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: Last Monday the House unanimously $\qquad$ the new legislation.
A. were passing
B. passed
C. was passed
D. have passed

67-1709 Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: I've been trying $\qquad$ with him all week, but he's never in the office and his mobile always seems to be busy.
A. to get in touch
B. getting hold
C. to answer
D. contacting

67-6918 What is the correct spelling of the following word?
A. Accomodation.
B. Accommodation.
C. Acommodation.
D. Accommadation.

67-6981 I've asked the waiter for the bill but he hasn't brought it
A. Now.
B. Yet.
C. Still.
D. Already.

67-7116 We want to throw a party before summer vacation.
A. Vogliamo cancellare la festa prima delle vacanze estive.
B. Vogliamo andare a una festa prima delle vacanze estive.
C. Vogliamo dare una festa prima delle vacanze estive.
D. Vogliamo fissare una data per la festa prima delle vacanze estive.

67-7515 As always happens, an industry grows up around any such laws (and lawsuits), dedicated to policing, sustaining and extending the legal framework. The industry consists of government bodies, (1)
$\qquad$ Britain's Commission for Racial Equality, which investigate complaints; official agencies, such as France's Conseil Supérieur de l'Audiovisuel, which monitor the media for racist remarks; and (2) $\qquad$ number of informal organisations that represent minorities and win their spurs by doing battle with the political establishment. Laws against incitement to hatred tend to hamper (3) $\qquad$ of debate because they are too easily interpreted as laws against causing offence. The placing of sanctions on "offensive" speech risks conflating two different things: bigoted speech (4) $\qquad$ constructive criticism. The big danger is that, in the (5) $\qquad$ of stopping bigots, one may end up stopping all criticism. (The Economist Newspaper and The Economist Group, 2006). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (5)?
A. Work.
B. Call.
C. Name.
D. Show.

68-1384 Choose the best answer for this question:Are you ready?
A. Yes, I am
B. Yes, I ready
C. Yes, I do
D. No, I not

68-1540 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
The passing of this law marks the first step on a road that we hope will $\qquad$ to greater prosperity for all.
A. bring
B. take
C. lead
D. move

68-1614 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence:
I think the company's $\qquad$ a busy year next year.
A. had
B. going to have
C. have
D. has

68-6987 It wasn't too bad. I was able to answer most of the questions ...
A. Carefully.
B. Clearly.
C. Easily.
D. Quietly.

68-7024 At 5:00 am he was making .... the airport.
A. For.
B. To.
C. Towards.
D. At.

68-7503 Three nights later old Major died peacefully in his sleep. His body was buried at the foot of the orchard. This was early (1) $\qquad$ March. During the next three months there was much secret activity. Major's speech had given to the more intelligent animals on the farm a completely new outlook on life. They did not know when the Rebellion predicted by Major would take place, they had no reason for (2)

> that it would be within their own lifetime, but they saw clearly that it was their duty to prepare for it. The work of teaching and organising the others fell naturally (3) $\qquad$ the pigs, who were generally recognised as being the cleverest of the animals. Pre-eminent among the pigs were two young boars named Snowball and Napoleon, whom Mr Jones (4) up for sale. Napoleon was a large, rather fierce-looking Berkshire boar, the only Berkshire on the farm, not much of a talker but with a reputation for (5) $\qquad$ his own way. Snowball was a more vivacious pig than Napoleon, quicker in speech and more inventive, but was not considered to have the same depth of character. All the other make pigs on the farm were porkers. ('Animal Farm' by George Orwell, 1945). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (2)?
A. To think.
B. To thinking.
C. Think.
D. Thinking.

68-7526 In 1830 baron Bettino Ricasoli, the father of Chianti wine, (1) to industrialize agriculture in order to increase the rate of productivity. Since then many years have gone by giving way to several important social changes which have transformed the Chianti area and economic crises that have alternated with sudden increases in productivity. Let's start (2) $\qquad$ the beginning: in the 19th century the Chianti landscape was dotted with a few villages and big farmhouses where the noble families (3) $\qquad$ enjoy their holidays. Agriculture was still bound to archaic systems of cultivation. Unlike all other crops that grew here and there and were directly taken by farmers for personal use, wine was sold and exported. The cultivation system on terraces was very complicated but it spurred farmers to (4) $\qquad$ higher rates of productivity. More and more land was then brought under crops, new country-houses mushroomed everywhere, special vines were selected and all estates were re-organized according to capitalist principles. This progress (5) place without the marvellous, natural landscape being damaged. ('Chianti' Latest Color Guide- by Carlo Grassetti, 1999). Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap (5)?
A. Was taken.
B. Has taken.
C. Taking.
D. Took.

69-1417 Choose the best word to complete this sentence:
Door-to-door $\qquad$ will involve a $10 \%$ surcharge on the price of the purchased goods.
A. posting
B. expedition
C. invoice
D. delivery

69-1722 Which word or phrase is missing from the following sentence? I graduated 'Industrial Management Engineer' three months ago.
A. in
B. as an
C. at the
D. from

69-1734 Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: My husband doesn't $\qquad$ to help plan our holidays!
A. do often
B. a lot do
C. ever much do
D. do much

69-7056 I'm very sorry. I must have .... I'll add it up again.
A. Done a mistake.
B. Performed a mistake.
C. Made a mistake.
D. Carried out a mistake.

69-7064 This magazine only comes out ....
A. Quarterly.
B. By itself.
C. On hutches.
D. In herds.

69-7074 .... you nor Tom will have to work this weekend!
A. Nor.
B. Either.
C. Neither.
D. Never.

69-7153 I'm working on two jobs to $\qquad$ some $\qquad$ money.
A. Win / more.
B. Gain / extra.
C. Gain / more.
D. Earn / extra.

70-1403 Choose the best word to complete the following: She knows how to get on with people and does all the right things. She really is terribly $\qquad$ .
A. moody
B. selfish
C. sensible
D. shy

70-1419 If you like meeting people, what kind of a person are you?
A. dependable
B. out-going
C. self-conscious
D. socialist

70-1737 Choose the best question for this answer:I'm fine thanks.
A. Who are you?
B. What are you?
C. Where are you?
D. How are you?

70-7005 Perhaps we .... check the figures again to make sure we haven't made any mistakes.
A. Shall.
B. Should.
C. Must.
D. Ought.

70-7044 There's a certain .... between them, but I wouldn't really have guessed that they were brother and sister.
A. Condition.
B. Similarity.
C. Medium.
D. Taste.

70-7145 He turned up just as the meeting was ending.
A. Alla fine della riunione si è sentito male.
B. Lui ha concluso la riunione con un riassunto.
C. Si è voltato solo alla fine della riunione.
D. Lui è arrivato proprio quando la riunione stava per concludersi.

70-7493 In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by $20 \%$, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic. A 'tough question' is a.
A. Redundant one.
B. Common one.
C. Mathematical one.
D. Difficult one.

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