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# INTRODUCTION

*A Vocabulary Companion to Practical English 1* is a compilation of vocabulary exercises pertaining to topics covered in the Practical English course at the MA level. It has been written to provide University of Lodz students at the Faculty of English Philology with the extra practice they need to enrich their knowledge of the English vocabulary practised in the classroom.

The exercises in higher-level vocabulary are built around the following five topics: *Prejudice and Discrimination*, *The Culture of the Image*, *Marketing*, *Work and Success*, and *Demography*. They include collocations, idiomatic expressions, prepositional phrases, word formation, and phrasal verbs.

This book has been written mainly as an in-class workbook but can also be used as a self-study handbook. Hopefully, students will find it a handy resource for further practice.



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## TOPIC 1: PREJUDICE AND DISCRIMINATION

### VOCABULARY SET

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*Complete the following sentences with missing words based on the source text covered in class (<https://tiny.pl/wkgk1>). The first letter and the number of missing letters have been indicated. If no such hints have been provided, fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions.*

*Pay attention to the phrases that have been bolded below.*

1. At first it was a challenge to **come to grips** \_\_\_\_\_ **the situation**, but now they have learned to accept things as they are. (= to try to understand, deal with something)
2. The bespectacled boy **g** \_\_\_\_\_ **my hand** by accident thinking I was his father. (= to take hold of)
3. These new dancing shoes **g** \_\_\_\_\_ many different types of **stage surface** very well. (= to stay firmly on the surface)
4. It's often hardly possible to **d** \_\_\_\_\_ **factual information from common beliefs** people have held for years. (= to distinguish, separate)
5. It would be a blow to his political career if he was **entangled** \_\_\_\_\_ **the controversy** around last year's elections. (= to be strongly involved, implicated)
6. It seems she is much happier now that she **got romantically entangled** \_\_\_\_\_ some influential journalist from Paris. (= to become emotionally involved)
7. **F** \_\_\_\_\_ **examination** did not reveal any traces of poisonous substances in the victim's blood and thus our hypothesis had to be ruled out. (= scientific methods of solving crimes)
8. He's always rather agitated after board meetings, so my advice would be to avoid **e** \_\_\_\_\_ **with** him as much as possible. (= to come into contact)
9. More and more pupils are **engaged** \_\_\_\_\_ a great number of **extracurricular classes** their parents consider to be beneficial for their career prospects. (= to become involved)

10. After a few years as a managing director he *carved/ made a niche* \_\_\_\_\_ *himself as* an expert in selling wooden merchandise. (= an area or position suitable for someone)
11. Doing business exclusively online is no longer *n* \_\_\_\_\_. (= affecting only a small number of people)
12. Dachshunds, Basset Hounds, and Bavarian Mountain Hounds are breeds that can be easily trained to *follow the t* \_\_\_\_\_ *left by* hares and foxes. (= to follow the marks left by something or someone)
13. The police *were* \_\_\_\_\_ *the trail of* the murderer when he unexpectedly came to the station one day and turned himself in. (= to be close to finding)
14. She disappeared with both her daughters and the dog, *l* \_\_\_\_\_ *no trail for* her family or the police to follow up. (= to be untraceable)
15. Unbelievable as it may seem, it took more than 20 years for mobile phones to *become c* \_\_\_\_\_. (= everyday, often seen, used, or experienced)
16. As we were sitting opposite them, we felt it was appropriate to *exchange c* \_\_\_\_\_ *about* our experiences of such social events. (= to talk about banalities, have social chit-chat)
17. Her dogs are known to *show open h* \_\_\_\_\_ *to/towards* anyone who approaches the front gate. (= to be unfriendly, aggressive, or clearly antagonistic)
18. She can't have expected such *a h* \_\_\_\_\_ *reception* at the convention; she seemed genuinely surprised. (= unfriendly, cold)
19. A number of prominent experts in the fields of Natural Sciences and Medicine claim that aging should have been *classified* \_\_\_\_\_ a disease years ago. (= to categorise)
20. These cabinets are filled with files containing *c* \_\_\_\_\_ *data*. (= confidential, secret)
21. She's been called many things, but 'a feminist' is a label she's never *openly e* \_\_\_\_\_. (= to embrace, accept)
22. Having discovered the truth about his wife's kind affection towards the gardener, he *reacted with such v* \_\_\_\_\_ that everyone was stunned. (= hate, anger)
23. Recent events *have a* \_\_\_\_\_ *the need for* more online educational platforms and open resources than ever before. (= to increase)
24. It is not uncommon that the death of a relative often *a* \_\_\_\_\_ *the feelings of* helplessness and grief. (= to intensify)
25. Speaking of luck, he's been voted into the office \_\_\_\_\_ *a margin of* 85 votes to 79. (= slight difference)

26. A vast number of scientific studies revealed that employment rates *have shown only a m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ improvement in* this part of Europe. (= minimal)
27. Unbelievable as it may seem, the scandal has been overlooked by *the m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ media*; instead a lot of attention has been given to insignificant gossip. (= general, dominant)
28. A number of scholarships and grants have been offered to the young refugees once they have been *mainstreamed \_ \_ \_ public college programmes*. (= to be integrated in the same class, school etc. despite having educational issues)
29. When you design a questionnaire, it is crucial that your questions are not presupposing any answers so as to avoid *s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the results*. (= to distort, misrepresent)
30. On a scale of one to ten, I would *rate* his recent collection of short stories *\_ \_ \_ an eight*. (= to classify as, evaluate)
31. Their *performance* as a team is normally *f \_ \_ \_ \_ -rate*, but this time I'd say it was rather mediocre. (= the best)
32. Their tea is *a second/ third-r \_ \_ \_ product* that you can buy for half the price elsewhere. (= not very good, not the best)
33. Success is said to *go hand \_ \_ \_ hand with* an open mindset and confidence. (= to be closely related, happen at the same time)
34. He eventually agreed to an interview on camera, but there were a few *topics that were i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_* at that time in his life. (= not allowed, unacceptable)
35. *My parents* had never been *p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*, so my siblings and I were never allowed to hang out with friends after 8 pm. (= lenient, tolerant)
36. Admittedly, a number of institutions in the 1950s *had moral inhibitions \_ \_ \_* post mortem brain research. (= anxiety/worry that prevents someone from doing something they want)
37. Younger children *were i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ from speaking* by the presence of visiting professors who observed their cycle of education. (= to feel embarrassed, restrained)
38. The juice we import from Tanzania *i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the growth of* cancer cells, tumours, and pathogenic bacteria. (= to impede)
39. The education ministry decided to *take a very hard l \_ \_ \_ on* the need for teachers to educate themselves in the field of specific learning difficulties. (= to be severe, strict)
40. It's not surprising that they have *disagreed with the manager's line \_ \_ \_* recent economic problems in the company. (= an approach to something)

41. I have to admit I really like *their l \_ \_ \_ of reasoning/ thinking about* quantum mechanics. (= a way of thinking)
42. It is no longer true that men *are first \_ \_ \_ line for promotion* in the workplace. (= considered first, more important)
43. In the face of the recent economic scandal, the manager may have to *moderate his stance \_ \_ \_* pay rise and bonuses for his team members. (= to tone down)
44. He's been *employed as a m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_* to make sure board members stick to the time limits and topics discussed. (= a supervisor, a mediator)
45. They say *weather conditions are going to m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_* in the weeks to come and we will no longer enjoy hot summer days. (= to subside)
46. Our competitors may have *set off at a good/fast/rapid c \_ \_ \_*, but we had much more experience and caught on with them by the end of the competition. (= to do something fast, with no delay)
47. It is believed that *taking a p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ approach* in business leads to greater chances of success. (= causing rather than only reacting to change)
48. In the face of recent changes, educational institutions will need to be far more *proactive \_ \_ \_* remote and blended learning. (= to be dedicated, eager to act a certain way)
49. Countries around the world should *enforce s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ laws* to counteract environmental degradation. (= severe, strict)
50. Your decision to hand in your notice and move to another country will *have far-reaching r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ for* you and your entire family. (= sweeping consequences)
51. After the scandalous article has been published, they acted promptly to *d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the rumour*. (= to deny)
52. A number of people have been arrested *in the a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of* yesterday's protests in the streets of London. (= as a consequence)
53. All they could do was *provide a safe h \_ \_ \_ \_ for* the abandoned kittens, feed them, and take them to the vet. (= a shelter)
54. The southern part of the orchard has always been my *haven \_ \_ \_ the pressures of* everyday life. (= to shelter against)
55. The tonic is a bit bitter and you may want to *d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ it with/ in water* first before drinking it. (= to make something thinner, weaken)
56. The manager's decision will impact us all *d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ our earnings* to a significant extent. (= to reduce, diminish)

57. As the government introduces the new tax, we expect *a d* \_\_\_\_\_ *of* petrol-engine car *prices*. (= a reduction)
58. Temporary border controls were introduced *in the w* \_ \_ \_ *of* illegal immigrants flooding from neighbouring regions. (= as a result of)
59. Their political agenda was to *p* \_ \_ \_ \_ *the country of* immigrants and refugees. (= to remove, get rid of)
60. *All files* concerning his recent spectacular discoveries *have been purged* \_\_\_\_\_ *the database*. (= to be eliminated, deleted)
61. I've been writing reports, estimates for construction jobs, and invoices for the customers for weeks now; *it's pure p* \_\_\_\_\_! (= an unpleasant situation that causes suffering)
62. Societies have changed their attitudes towards minorities, which stems from the recent court cases of *racial h* \_\_\_\_\_. (= behaviour that annoys or upsets)
63. In non-democratic countries, *the press* is often *h* \_\_\_\_\_ and journalists are held for weeks with no formal charges. (= to persecute)
64. He used to be a fairly good student, but recently he *has been visibly l* \_\_\_\_\_ *behind* and, at this point, it might be challenging for him to catch up with the rest of the group. (= to be delayed)
65. Every time I try using this video platform with more than five people, *my computer l* \_\_\_\_\_ *seriously*. (= to stall)
66. If you want to be admitted to the programme, you're required to *make a formal c* \_\_\_\_\_ to complete all its phases. (= to promise someone will do something)
67. Your lungs are in critical condition, there's no other choice for you but to *c* \_\_\_\_\_ *yourself to quitting* tobacco. (= to make a definite decision to do something)
68. I've never seen anyone *show such commitment* \_\_\_\_\_ environmental issues. (= engagement)
69. As a PE teacher and a part-time yoga instructor, she's *already got far too many c* \_\_\_\_\_ to be able to start her own company selling handmade tool sheds. (= obligations, responsibilities)
70. *In the a* \_\_\_\_\_, 15% of our part-time employees have been offered permanent full-time contracts and 25% of our permanent staff had their salaries increased by 10%. (= in total)
71. This team's main job is to *aggregate articles and videos* on native Americans \_\_\_\_\_ all types of media outputs. (= to collect, gather)

72. As I was getting ready to finally start writing my MA thesis, I analysed a considerable database of texts looking at such **key v** \_\_\_\_\_ as the age of the author, their sex, and their level of education. (= a number, amount, situation that can change)
73. **My income is v** \_\_\_\_\_, as I get a commission on every vehicle I sell. (= changeable, not stable)
74. I'd have bought more cupcakes if they **varied** \_\_\_\_\_ flavor as much as they varied in colour and texture. (= to differ)
75. Their organization raises money to **support political r** \_\_\_\_\_ financially in their first months in the new country. (= an escapee)
76. **Seeking refuge** \_\_\_\_\_ **persecution**, parents from these troubled regions set off for Europe to give their children a chance to have better lives. (= to look for asylum)
77. I remember his name so well because it **kept c** \_\_\_\_\_ **up in quite a few of the conversations** I had at the event. (= to pop up, be mentioned)
78. The Prime Minister **came** \_\_\_\_\_ **a lot of criticism for** openly supporting one of the candidates for the Mayor. (= to be disapproved of)
79. All publications on the topic of delivering good speeches insist that **constructive c** \_\_\_\_\_ **of** your performance should be welcome. (= useful observations, opinions, comments)
80. Doctors **e** \_\_\_\_\_ **the importance of** building a strong immune system by eating a healthy diet, which contributes to shielding your body against infections. (= to stress)
81. Teachers have always **put/placed great emphasis** \_\_\_\_\_ regular learning and regular assessment of home assignments. (= to give priority to)
82. **Safe e** \_\_\_\_\_ **to sunlight** counteracts the body's vitamin D deficiency. (= be affected by)
83. The case would never have been solved, had it not been for the woman's testimony and **the exposure** \_\_\_\_\_ the murderer's **love affair** with the victim's brother-in-law. (= revelation)
84. The government has to **deal with m** \_\_\_\_\_ **problems**, ranging from the economy, health system, and environmental issues to educational challenges. (= innumerable, countless)
85. Each Christmas **a myriad** \_\_\_\_\_ **shops and restaurants** are oozing with twinkling lights, glitter, and merry ho-ho-hoes. (= a great number or amount of something)

86. Once we've shared our ideas on what the best solution in such a situation may be, we slowly managed to **get/ have a h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ on the problems** one by one. (= to understand, tackle)
87. There is no saying that valuable manuscripts like the ones we have recently discovered should **be h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ carefully**. (= to be dealt with delicately)
88. The managing director has always drummed it into his team that **it's i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ to** respond even to potential problems by designing a detailed plan that can be immediately implemented. (= essential, urgent)
89. Supporting ethnic minorities **is a moral i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ for** any democratic country. (= what impels a person to act)
90. His enormous straw hat s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the scar on his forehead **from the sun**. (= to protect)
91. As they were extremely loyal staff, their first reaction was to **shield their employer \_ \_ \_ any accusations** of embezzlement. (= to defend)
92. Her wide social circle and natural resilience **acted as a shield \_ \_ \_ all the unexpected trouble** she came across starting her first business. (= to buffer)
93. Being a candidate in any elections is first and foremost about **seeking a m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ from your voters**. (= authority, support)
94. The president's **attempts to m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ war** met with strong opposition from the public, irrespective of their political leanings. (= to give an official permission)
95. After Henry quit his job and joined the army, his younger sister didn't think much before she **f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ her sibling's suit**. (= to act the same way that someone else did)
96. After all **the d \_ \_ \_ was/ were analysed**, the researchers were still unable to come to any conclusive solutions. (= information)
97. Doctors were unable to **provide data \_ \_ \_ the number of** active cases of the virus. (= to present information)
98. Our task was to **gather all electronic d \_ \_ \_ on** the situation in the region so that we could see how the conflict had escalated over the years. (= computerised information)
99. These prototypes of electric cars can **withstand extensive u \_ \_ \_ \_** in severe conditions. (= to endure the way something is used)
100. **The bad u \_ \_ \_ \_** his wife **received** at the host's hands will surely affect their future business endeavours. (= bad, unfair treatment)





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## TOPIC 1: PREJUDICE AND DISCRIMINATION

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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#### A. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX

*Match the two halves in the columns below to make collocations.*

1. TO EXCHANGE ____	a. GROWTH/ DEVELOPMENT/ LEARNING
2. TO INHIBIT ____	b. RUMOURS/ KNOWLEDGE/ CONNECTIONS
3. TO RECEIVE ____	c. COMMONPLACES/ GREETINGS
4. TO DISAVOW ____	d. NO TRAIL
5. TO LEAVE ____	e. GOOD/ BAD/ RUDE USAGE
6. FORENSIC ____	f. REPERCUSSIONS
7. CONSTRUCTIVE ____	g. REFUGEES
8. FAR-REACHING/ LONG-TERM ____	h. LAWS/ REGULATIONS/ RULES
9. STRINGENT ____	i. EXAMINATION/ EXPERTS/ SCIENCE
10. POLITICAL/ ECONOMIC/ WAR ____	j. CRITICISM/ SUGGESTIONS/ WAYS

*Complete the following sentences with one missing word each, based on the collocations from the box above.*

1. The Queen of Hearts would impose a number of \_\_\_\_\_ rules after the game of flamingo croquet had already started.
2. Having glanced into the mirror, Pinocchio decided to quit being economical with the truth to \_\_\_\_\_ any further growth of his nose.
3. According to Princess Aurora, toying with spindles may result in unexpected long-term \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Emperor could have used some \_\_\_\_\_ criticism before he presented himself publicly in his bold new clothes.
5. Predictably, the Evil Queen in disguise of an old peddler woman received very good \_\_\_\_\_ from Snow White.

6. I can't say I believe the Big Bad Wolf met up with the Three Little Pigs to \_\_\_\_\_ commonplaces, can you?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ experts called to the crime scene examined traces of porridge on two of the chairs in the living room and a strand of golden hair in the bear's tiny bowl.
8. Alice went down the rabbit hole \_\_\_\_\_ no trace behind.
9. Nobody suspected that the Little Old Woman who Lived in a Shoe was a political \_\_\_\_\_ from the Emerald City.
10. Captain Hook \_\_\_\_\_ all knowledge of the Lost Boys' whereabouts.

## B. IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES

*Transform the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same and the words given are used in an unmodified form.*

1. The Vain Queen never came to understand that the Magic Mirror's software had a glitch.  
(GRIPS)  
The Vain Queen couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ there being a glitch in the Magic Mirror's software.
2. Hansel was the cannibalistic witch's first choice for dinner, as he went exceptionally well with gingerbread crumble and forest fruit.  
(LINE)  
Hansel was \_\_\_\_\_ the cannibalistic witch's dinner, as he went exceptionally well with gingerbread crumble and forest fruit.
3. The Hunter gave the Big Bad Wolf a rather harsh treatment once he learned whom it had devoured.  
(TOOK)  
The Hunter \_\_\_\_\_ the Big Bad Wolf once he learned whom it had devoured.
4. What velocity your Magic Carpet may reach depends on the frequency with which you service it.  
(HAND)  
The frequency of service \_\_\_\_\_ the velocity your Magic Carpet may reach.

5. It was incomprehensible for Daisy the Cow how Jack could have traded her for legumes.

**(HANDLE)**

Daisy the Cow couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ how Jack could have traded her for legumes.

### C. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. Alice had felt \_\_\_\_\_ bored and drowsy before she met the White Rabbit. **VARY**
2. Grumpy felt that his need for compassionate attention had been \_\_\_\_\_ by the remaining six dwarfs. **MARGIN**
3. Cinderella's Fairy Godmother was rather \_\_\_\_\_ when it came to all-nighters and wouldn't accept unpunctuality. **PERMIT**
4. Two of the Three Little Pigs failed to take all \_\_\_\_\_ into account when selecting building materials for their respective houses. **VARY**
5. The child-eating witch's death was caused by excessive \_\_\_\_\_ to naked flames from her own oven. **EXPOSE**
6. It dawned on Dorothy that the Wicked Witch of the West displayed \_\_\_\_\_ as a defence mechanism she learned as a child. **HOSTILE**
7. Tick-Tock the Crocodile had maintained a largely \_\_\_\_\_ meat-based diet until it accidentally consumed a ticking contraption. **VARY**
8. Despite Robin Hood's actions being well-intentioned, stealing from the rich and giving to the poor was nevertheless considered \_\_\_\_\_ under the Nottinghamshire law. **PERMIT**
9. The contents of the Little Red Riding Hood's basket remained \_\_\_\_\_ until the local newspaper published a revealing exclusive with the Big Bad Wolf. **EXPOSE**
10. The Princess turned out to be rather thick-skinned and thus the pea under the mattresses and twenty feather-beds only \_\_\_\_\_ impeded the quality of her sleep. **MARGIN**

## WORD FAMILIES

- exposure (n. [c] [u]), exposition (n. [c] [u]), exposé /ek'spəʊzeɪ/ (n. [c]), expose (v.), (un)exposed (adj.)
- hostility (n. [u]), hostilities (n. [plural]), hostile (adj.)
- margin (n. [c]), marginalisation (n. [u]), marginalise (v.), marginal (adj.), marginalised (adj.), marginally (adv.)
- permit (n. [c]), permission (n. [u]), (im)permissiveness (n. [u]), permit (v.), (im)permissive (adj.), (im)permissible (adj.), (im)permissively (adv.)
- variable (n. [c]), variance (n. [c] [u]), variant (n. [c]), variety (n. [c] [u]), variability (n. [u]), variation (n. [c] [u]), vary (v.), (in)variable (adj.), (un)varied (adj.), various (adj.), (in)variably (adv.), variously (adv.)

## D. SYNONYMS

*Match words 1-10 with their synonyms a-j.*

- |                      |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. TO AMPLIFY ____   | a. TO COLLECT, TO GATHER     |
| 2. HARASSMENT ____   | b. CONFIDENTIAL, SECRET      |
| 3. INHIBITIONS ____  | c. ANTAGONISTIC, UNFRIENDLY  |
| 4. CLASSIFIED ____   | d. TO PREVENT, TO IMPEDE     |
| 5. VITRIOL ____      | e. COUNTLESS, INNUMERABLE    |
| 6. MYRIAD ____       | f. EMBARRASSMENT, RETINENCE  |
| 7. TO AGGREGATE ____ | g. EVERYDAY, USUAL           |
| 8. HOSTILE ____      | h. PERSECUTION, MOLESTATION  |
| 9. TO INHIBIT ____   | i. TO INCREASE, TO INTENSIFY |
| 10. COMMONPLACE ____ | j. BITTERNESS, NASTINESS     |

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

- |                        |                        |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. TO FOLLOW THE TRAIL | VS. TO FOLLOW SUIT     |
| 2. ENTANGLED IN        | VS. ENTANGLED WITH     |
| 3. TO MAKE COMMITMENT  | VS. TO SHOW COMMITMENT |
| 4. ENGAGED IN          | VS. ENGAGED WITH       |
| 5. EXPOSURE TO         | VS. EXPOSURE OF        |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, referring to the task above.*

1. Once Snow White tied the knot with her Prince Charming, Aurora and Cinderella both wanted to follow \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Very few sea creatures knew that Sebastian the Trinidadian Crab had become romantically entangled \_\_\_\_\_ one of Ursula's eel minions.
3. It was a dreadfully arduous task for Thumbelina to \_\_\_\_\_ any commitment to her amphibian suitor.
4. After a few coaching sessions with Pinocchio, Dopey got engaged \_\_\_\_\_ a political campaign to become the President of the Forest.
5. As the Cheshire Cat had lost any control over his ability to whimsically appear and disappear, everyone witnessed the exposure \_\_\_\_\_ his non-grinning self.

## F. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

ABOUT	FOR	INTO	WITH
AGAINST	FROM	OF	
AT	IN	ON	

1. Before Alice drank the shrinking potion, she diluted it \_\_\_\_\_ blueberry juice to reduce the bitter aftertaste.
2. The Sheriff of Nottingham did his utmost to purge all the Merry Men and Robin Hood himself \_\_\_\_\_ Sherwood Forest.
3. Geppetto believed that Pinocchio's intentions were essentially good, he just lacked the ability to disentangle the truth \_\_\_\_\_ lies.
4. The straw house and the stick house were both blown off \_\_\_\_\_ the aftermath of the wolf's huffing and puffing.
5. Mother Duck was truly relieved to learn that the ugly duckling was successfully mainstreamed \_\_\_\_\_ one of the local swan nurseries.
6. Alice was inhibited \_\_\_\_\_ telling the Cheshire Cat that he had had something green in his teeth for the whole evening.
7. Ursula's lair was a safe haven \_\_\_\_\_ both her eel minions, whatever mischief they pulled.
8. Baba Yaga placed great emphasis \_\_\_\_\_ the credentials one needed to have for the job of isolating poppy seeds from soil.

9. Robin Hood and the Merry Men were exceptionally proactive \_\_\_\_ promoting financial equality within the more disadvantaged social groups.
10. Aladdin was falling over himself to shield the shiny magic lamp \_\_\_\_ his kleptomaniac monkey.
11. A group of forty anonymous thieves unknowingly provided Ali Baba with classified data \_\_\_\_ the culinary origin of the cave-opening password they used.
12. Thumbelina left \_\_\_\_ a very good clip making it fairly evident that the toad's son was not good marriage material for her.
13. Much to everyone's surprise, Hansel and Gretel's parents lost the annual Award for Best Parenting Skills \_\_\_\_ a margin of half a point.
14. The Giant suffered extensive injuries \_\_\_\_ the wake of his rather unfortunate endeavour to climb down the beanstalk.
15. The Evil Queen never felt it necessary to moderate her stance \_\_\_\_ beauty ideals of the time.

## PRONUNCIATION

*Study and practise saying the following words out loud.*

**aggregate** (n.) /'ægrɪgət/ vs. (v.) /'ægrɪgeɪt/  
**dilute** /daɪ'lu:t/ (AmEn /dɪ'lu:t/)  
**espouse** /ɪ'spaʊz/  
**exposure** /ɪk'spəʊʒə/ (AmEn /ɪk 'spouʒər/)  
**mandate** (adj., n.) /'mændɪt/ vs. (v.) /mæn'deɪt/  
**moderate** (adj.) /'mɒdərət/ vs. (v.) /'mɒdəreɪt/  
**myriad** /'mɪriəd/  
**niche** /niːʃ/ (AmEn /nɪʃ/)  
**purgatory** /'pɜːgətəri/ (AmEn /'pɜːrgətɔːri/)  
**refuge/refugee** /'refjuːdʒ/ /'refjʊ'dʒiː/

## FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Discuss the following questions with a partner supporting your answers with **ARGUMENTS, EXPLANATIONS, and/or EXAMPLES.***

- What are some different ways in which you can react when you **come under criticism**? Can you learn anything from being criticised?
- Is it equally easy or is it more of a challenge for you to **commit yourself to achieving** short- and long-term goals? Why do you think that may be?

- What major **commitment(s) have you had** in your life so far? What commitments do you think lie ahead of you?
- Give a few examples of items which **have become commonplace** in the 21<sup>st</sup> century that were unthinkable for your parents and grandparents when they were your age. How do you think technology will advance in 10, 20 and 30 years' time?
- What are some common ways of dealing with devices (e.g. laptops, tablets, smartphones, etc.) which **lag**? Which course of action would you recommend as best?

## TOPIC 1 KEY VOCABULARY SET

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|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. WITH          | 34. IMPERMISSIBLE | 67. COMMIT      |
| 2. GRIPPED       | 35. PERMISSIVE    | 68. TO          |
| 3. GRIP          | 36. AGAINST       | 69. COMMITMENTS |
| 4. DISENTANGLE   | 37. INHIBITED     | 70. AGGREGATE   |
| 5. IN            | 38. INHIBITS      | 71. FROM        |
| 6. WITH          | 39. LINE          | 72. VARIABLES   |
| 7. FORENSIC      | 40. ON            | 73. VARIABLE    |
| 8. ENGAGING      | 41. LINE          | 74. IN          |
| 9. IN            | 42. IN            | 75. REFUGEES    |
| 10. FOR          | 43. ON            | 76. FROM        |
| 11. NICHE        | 44. MODERATOR     | 77. CROPPING    |
| 12. TRAIL        | 45. MODERATE      | 78. UNDER       |
| 13. ON           | 46. CLIP          | 79. CRITICISM   |
| 14. LEAVING      | 47. PROACTIVE     | 80. EMPHASISE   |
| 15. COMMONPLACE  | 48. ABOUT         | 81. ON          |
| 16. COMMONPLACES | 49. STRINGENT     | 82. EXPOSURE    |
| 17. HOSTILITY    | 50. REPERCUSSIONS | 83. OF          |
| 18. HOSTILE      | 51. DISAVOW       | 84. MYRIAD      |
| 19. AS           | 52. AFTERMATH     | 85. OF          |
| 20. CLASSIFIED   | 53. HAVEN         | 86. HANDLE      |
| 21. ESPOUSED     | 54. FROM          | 87. HANDLED     |
| 22. VITRIOL      | 55. DILUTE        | 88. IMPERATIVE  |
| 23. AMPLIFIED    | 56. DILUTING      | 89. IMPERATIVE  |
| 24. AMPLIFIES    | 57. DILUTION      | 90. SHIELDED    |
| 25. BY           | 58. WAKE          | 91. FROM        |
| 26. MARGINAL     | 59. PURGE         | 92. AGAINST     |
| 27. MAINSTREAM   | 60. FROM          | 93. MANDATE     |
| 28. INTO         | 61. PURGATORY     | 94. MANDATE     |
| 29. SKEWING      | 62. HARASSMENT    | 95. FOLLOWED    |
| 30. AS           | 63. HARASSED      | 96. DATA        |
| 31. FIRST        | 64. LAGGING       | 97. ON          |
| 32. RATE         | 65. LAGS          | 98. DATA        |
| 33. IN           | 66. COMMITMENT    | 99. USAGE       |
|                  |                   | 100. USAGE      |



## VOCABULARY PRACTICE

A.

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|------|-------|
| 1. c | 6. i  |
| 2. a | 7. j  |
| 3. e | 8. f  |
| 4. b | 9. h  |
| 5. d | 10. g |

1. stringent
2. inhibit
3. repercussions
4. constructive
5. usage
6. exchange
7. Forensic
8. leaving
9. refugee
10. disavowed

B.

1. come/ get to grips with
2. first in line for
3. took a hard line on
4. goes hand in hand with
5. get a handle on

C.

1. invariably
2. marginalised/marginalized
3. impermissive
4. variables
5. exposure
6. hostility
7. unvaried
8. impermissible
9. unexposed
10. marginally

D.

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|------|-------|
| 1. i | 6. e  |
| 2. h | 7. a  |
| 3. f | 8. c  |
| 4. b | 9. d  |
| 5. j | 10. g |

E.

1. **to follow the trail** (to pick up on a series of marks that someone /something has left behind)  
**to follow suit** (to do the same thing as someone else did before)
2. **entangled in** (implicated)  
**entangled with** (emotionally involved)
3. **to make a commitment** (to promise to do something)  
**to show commitment** (to make it known that you are dedicated)
4. **engaged in** (involved)  
**engaged with** (to come into contact with someone)
5. **exposure to** (being in danger)  
**exposure of** (revealing, showing the truth)

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| 1. suit |
| 2. with |

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| 3. show |
| 4. in   |

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| 5. of |
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F.

- |             |           |        |
|-------------|-----------|--------|
| 1. in/ with | 6. from   | 11. on |
| 2. from     | 7. for    | 12. at |
| 3. from     | 8. on     | 13. by |
| 4. in       | 9. about  | 14. in |
| 5. into     | 10. from/ | 15. on |
|             | against   |        |



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## TOPIC 2: THE CULTURE OF THE IMAGE

### VOCABULARY SET

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*Complete the following sentences with missing words based on the source text covered in class (<https://tiny.pl/wkfny>). The first letter and the number of missing letters have been indicated. If no such hints have been provided, fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions.*

*Pay attention to the phrases that have been bolded below.*

1. Having decided to buy a new, bigger house, he was more than unhappy to have to s\_\_\_\_\_ **out \$7000 extra** for the roof renovation and a new plumbing installation. (= to pay for something, usually unwillingly)
2. As we reached the highest tower and could enjoy the majestic panorama of the city from over 400 meters, we realised how high it was and started to **feel g\_\_\_\_\_**. (= dizzy)
3. Experts say that motivation to attain your goals does not exist and your effort is the only thing that can p\_\_ **off in the end**. (= to make successful)
4. It's been rumoured that both eye witnesses **were paid \_\_\_\_\_ a huge sum** to testify they had not seen Levinson at the crime scene. (= to bribe someone to do or say something)
5. Their spousal business had been struggling for a few months before both partners agreed it was time to **file \_\_\_\_\_ bankruptcy/ divorce**. (= to make an official request for something)
6. A great number of businesses will predictably **be forced \_\_\_\_\_ bankruptcy** after the introduction of the new tax. (= to be obligated)
7. After we **got the engine o \_\_\_\_\_**, we could safely set off and enjoy our belated holiday. (= to repair or improve)
8. It's almost a mourning ceremony when David needs to **take his Chevrolet Impala in \_\_\_\_\_ an overhaul**. (= to have something repaired or serviced)

9. A lot of very young people, feel so much pressure to improve their looks that they decide to **go** \_\_\_\_ **the knife** as early as they turn 18. (= to have a surgery)
10. After they've come back from their retreat to Bali, they've changed their diet completely **in their q** \_\_\_\_ **to** be perfectly healthy. (= in order to)
11. The decision to introduce shift work **p** \_\_\_\_\_ **a violent response from** the trade unions. (= to cause, provoke)
12. Being a very successful entrepreneur, he **is prompt** \_\_\_\_ **answering** his client's emails. (= to do something quickly and without delay)
13. Such international events always provide ground for networking and **heated discussions** \_\_\_\_ the future of the industry. (= an excited or angry exchange of ideas)
14. He'd been leading a sedentary lifestyle, but after **he underwent surgery** \_\_\_\_ **his heart**, he took to jogging and the organic food trend. (= to have an operation)
15. I always wanted to have a big mansion with a swimming pool and a big garden, but **the annual house m** \_\_\_\_\_ **costs** surprised me. (= the cost of keeping something in good condition)
16. After a fairly amicable divorce, he agreed to **pay maintenance** \_\_\_\_ **his two adopted children**. (= alimony, financial support)
17. The publisher has noticed **an unprecedented boom** \_\_\_\_ **the sales** of my latest book and offered me another book contract. (= a period of sudden growth)
18. My sister and I spent a wonderful weekend at the SPA you recommended and we **feel r** \_\_\_\_\_ and ready to start another successful project together. (= to make someone look or feel young and energetic again)
19. Surprisingly, there **is still some stigma** \_\_\_\_ **being** a certain age in the modelling profession. (= a sense of shame and disapproval from others)
20. In this particular tribe, not being clinically obese **c** \_\_\_\_\_ **a lot of social stigma for** unmarried girls. (= to cause, bring about)
21. Even today, many people are **s** \_\_\_\_\_ **on the basis of** their sex, age, race, and social status. (= to be treated unfairly and be disapproved of)
22. There were a lot of passers-by on the promenade, but when the boy was attacked **the crowd slowly melted** \_\_\_\_\_. (= to disappear)
23. There must always be a very good reason for a person to **f** \_\_\_\_ **their country** and look for asylum elsewhere. (= to escape)
24. All the media footage and graphic details shown on TV only **added fuel** \_\_\_\_ the fear and disgust people are now feeling. (= to make worse)

25. The government's decision to lift the lockdown in the most heavily infected areas **f**\_\_\_\_\_**speculations** that the number of cases there may skyrocket very soon. (= to make stronger, increase)
26. His unfounded criticism of our new business plan only **added fuel to the** **f**\_\_\_\_/**f**\_\_\_\_\_, especially because he had failed to contribute himself. (= to make worse)
27. **The number of** wild koalas in Australia **has dwindled** \_\_\_\_\_ as few as 43 000. (= to become smaller in size, amount, or number)
28. If you go away to participate in a workshop or a course in another city, the company will **reimburse you** \_\_\_\_\_ **the amount** you have spent. (= to pay your money back, refund)
29. It's her first time as a reporter, so everybody really wants to watch her live **c**\_\_\_\_\_ **the local elections** for a major broadcasting network. (= to report the news about an event)
30. A good holiday insurance should **cover you** \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ **flight delays and medical emergencies**. (= to protect someone in case of accidents, damage, loss, etc.)
31. Typically, when you are travelling on business, you receive an allowance to **c**\_\_\_\_\_ **your expenses**. (= to have enough means to pay for something)
32. The family lived in isolation on a secluded farm, so they didn't call for help but quickly **t**\_\_\_\_\_ **cover from** the tornado in the old cellar. (= to shelter, hide from)
33. Since it was forbidden for them to be seen together in public, the lovers always met \_\_\_\_\_ **cover of darkness** in the abandoned orchard. (= hidden, in secret)
34. The amount of pollution in the region and the government's unwillingness to alleviate the problem **c**\_\_\_\_\_ **local citizens** to such an extent that they decided to organise a demonstration. (= to cause worry)
35. I believe that whatever split them up **doesn't c**\_\_\_\_\_ **anyone else**. (= to be nobody else's business)
36. During our teacher training programmes, we make it very clear that good tutors should always **concern themselves** \_\_\_\_\_ students' natural talents, abilities, and needs. (= to pay attention to something, become involved)
37. It seems that a lot of serious consequences can be traced down to **small o**\_\_\_\_\_. (= mistakes made as a result of a failure to notice something)

38. After promotion, his new responsibilities include **o** \_\_\_\_\_ **all the international projects** in the Institute. (= to watch, monitor whether something is being done well)
39. Just after the War, he **d** \_\_\_\_\_ **as** an editor in a small French publishing house. (= to do something for the first time)
40. A series of meetings in local libraries and schools **started their unrelenting campaign** \_\_\_\_\_ **littering** and fly-tipping. (= a planned action to fight something)
41. The organisation have just **l** \_\_\_\_\_ **their annual Christmas campaign** to discourage excessive consumerism. (= to begin, start off)
42. Having been promised the post of the vice-president, he put a lot of effort **campaigning** \_\_\_\_\_ **/on behalf of** his father. (= to do something in someone's stead)
43. Matthew's transfer to the European branch of the company was still **a matter** \_\_\_\_\_ **further discussion** with his current supervisor. (= a topic to talk over/consider)
44. Unbeknown to other customers, the two shop detectives **took s** \_\_\_\_\_ **action against** a group of shoplifters. (= to act quickly and smoothly)
45. His brother never **fully recovered** \_\_\_\_\_ the harassment he sustained while working for an international corporation. (= to heal, bounce back)
46. With his broken ribs and both legs in plaster, the patient **m** \_\_\_\_\_ **a surprisingly speedy recovery from** the accident. (= to become well again, recuperate)
47. I imagine Medieval knights could suffer a number of potentially fatal injuries, let alone **lacerations** \_\_\_\_\_ **their face and hands**. (= cuts, wounds)
48. We've had a long discussion and concluded that **the b** \_\_\_\_\_ **line is that** we need a new qualified graphic designer and another PA. (= what is most important, indispensable, or crucial)
49. She's a uniquely talented girl, but she's **been s** \_\_\_\_\_ **to** pass exams, as the school testing methods are outdated. (= to put a very great effort into something)
50. As people cut down more and more trees to build residential areas, wild animals **struggle** \_\_\_\_\_ **survival**. (= to try hard to get through something)
51. Recently a few younger employees have been **struggling** \_\_\_\_\_ **/\_\_\_\_\_ the manager to** get their ideas across and accepted. (= to try hard to fight something)
52. It's definitely one of the best known companies trading in such **valuable c** \_\_\_\_\_ **as** gold, silver, and platinum. (= tradeable resources, products)

53. Whatever the circumstances, I'll never **choose** junk food \_\_\_\_ a healthy, well-balanced diet. (= to prefer, opt for)
54. She pecked at the stew a few times and had **a m** \_\_\_\_\_ **piece of** the parsley gingerbread cake. (= extremely small)
55. Luckily, his condition looked more serious than it really was, but I can still picture him **h** \_\_\_\_\_ **up to the life-support system** in his hospital bed. (= to be connected to a machine or a supply of something)
56. The doctor had operated for 10 hours that day, so no wonder he fainted during **a r** \_\_\_\_\_ **operation** he conducted next. (= common, ordinary)
57. When I was at a formative stage in my life, my grandparents used to **check up** \_\_\_\_ **me** to make sure I didn't get into too much trouble. (= to make certain that someone is doing well)
58. At a certain age, it might be a good idea to start thinking about **having regular medical c** \_\_\_\_\_. (= a general medical examination)
59. If you really want to **make any headway** \_\_\_\_ your Spanish/ **in learning** Spanish, a scholarship in Barcelona could do you good. (= to make progress)
60. Whenever you present an idea to the manager, he'll cut you off in the middle of a sentence and **dismiss** whatever idea you are presenting \_\_\_\_ **of hand**. (= to reject, refuse without considering something first)
61. Last year, young educators and pre-training teachers **a** \_\_\_\_\_ **for the vast majority of** our conference participants. (= to be, form the total)
62. Ted's son couldn't **account** \_\_\_\_ **over 300 Euros** missing from his father's wallet. (= to be unable to explain)
63. Everything in the vicinity of 10 kilometres of their house turned out to have been **r** \_\_\_\_\_ **by drought/ flood/ war**. (= badly damaged)
64. After 20 years of partnership, they have grown resentful towards each other, but agreed to **keep up a** \_\_\_\_\_ so as not to worry their families. (= to pretend that something is better than it really is)
65. Having read a number of publications on healthy living, they both **signed up** \_\_\_\_ **a nine-month yoga and meditation course**. (= to enrol for a class)
66. This plan might not be perfect, but it is all we have come up with \_\_\_\_ **date**. (= so far)
67. The system will work perfectly well, as long as we **k** \_ \_ \_ **our records up-to-date**. (= to include or add current information)
68. She gave him yet another chance **in the v** \_ \_ \_ **hope that** he would kick his horrible habit of slurping down his soup. (= pointless hope)

69. It did not escape my attention that both siblings **had an air** \_\_\_\_\_ **self-assurance about** themselves. (= a specific quality or appearance)
70. I believe that if you **a** \_\_\_\_\_ **your views on** the team's latest proposals, they could benefit from having a new perspective on the problem they're still trying to solve. (= to make one's opinion be known)
71. School uniforms are one of many means that could help the institution **even** \_\_\_\_\_ **the differences between** children in terms of their parents' financial status. (= to make something (seem) equal)
72. All the companies selling free-range eggs locally decided to **have their prices evened** \_\_\_\_\_ to match those in bigger cities. (= to make things equal by increasing something)
73. This exercise routine aims to **t** \_\_\_\_\_ **up your calves and lower thighs**. (= to make firm and strong)
74. The government's plan to impose a new tax on start-up businesses will surely **i** \_\_\_\_\_ **a firestorm of objections**. (= to cause an angry response)
75. Did you know wooden objects can **spontaneously i** \_\_\_\_\_ if they are stored for a longer time in the form of small chips or sawdust? (= to start burning)
76. He once was a great actor, but as a result of his life-long addiction, he lost many contracts and is now **living** \_\_\_\_\_ **reduced circumstances**. (= to be poor or poorer than before)
77. They all **have excellent c** \_\_\_\_\_ **for the job**, therefore it took us a week to choose the one to whom we could offer a permanent contract. (= abilities, skills, and experience)
78. This doesn't seem to be my business, so I will participate but I will also **keep** my contribution \_\_\_\_\_ **a minimum**. (= not to do more than required or necessary)
79. Adults should drink **a minimum** \_\_\_\_\_ eight glasses of water daily. (= not less than)
80. I wouldn't be such an expert in plumbing systems had it not been for the years as **an a** \_\_\_\_\_. (= a learner)
81. Next month, I will have finished my first year of **a** \_\_\_\_\_ **with** this employer. (= the time you are learning a trade)
82. We only wanted our bathroom to resemble a modern SPA, but it was such **a b** \_\_\_\_\_ **job** that we now feel we have a tool shed adorned with orchids and bamboo leaves instead. (= a job badly done)
83. They **b** \_\_\_\_\_ **(up) his ear plastic surgery** and he looks like a hybrid between a petite elf and Dumbo the elephant. (= to spoil)



84. After the motorbike accident last year, he **had a skin g \_ \_ \_ \_ on** both his lower arms. (= a piece of transplanted healthy skin)
85. Almost one third of **her skin** from the back of her ribs **was grafted \_ \_ \_ / \_ \_ \_** her cheek the first time they operated on her. (= to remove a piece of skin and transplant it to a different area)
86. The management made up their minds and **g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ some of the old strategies** from the 90s **into** the new procedures introduced almost 25 years later. (= to add, implement)
87. It can't be good quality instant tea if you only need to **dissolve** half a spoon of it **\_ \_ \_ lukewarm water**. (= to melt and mix in)
88. **The awkward silence d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** when the host walked in with the appetisers. (= to disappear)
89. The moment she entered the ballroom dressed as an armadillo, they **dissolved \_ \_ \_ tears/ laughter**. (= to start to cry/ laugh)
90. He was badly injured in the match and **blood was o \_ \_ \_ \_ out of his broken arm**. (= to come out of a wound)
91. Once you sink the knife in the pie, chocolate comes **oozing \_ \_ \_ of it**. (= to flow slowly out of something)
92. It seems they overstayed their welcome yesterday - the host made it very clear the celebration was coming to an end and they still **l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ for more than an hour** after everyone else said their goodbyes. (= to be unwilling to leave)
93. Their sudden break-up will end all the **l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ hopes** their families may have had. (= lasting, unrelenting)
94. I never intended to offend any of my colleagues, it was just **an innocent s \_ \_ \_ -up**. (= a small mistake)
95. He couldn't have expected that a seemingly insignificant decision as casually talking to his ex-wife would **sent him \_ \_ \_ shock**. (= to cause great surprise or disbelief)
96. The engagement party **c \_ \_ \_ as a great shock to** her, as they never even talked about getting married in the first place. (= to surprise completely)
97. The project stands a chance of winning you both the scholarship once you **m \_ \_ all the requirements/ deadlines** listed in the announcement. (= to fulfil, satisfy)
98. It quickly turned out that the scientist they selected **was i \_ \_ -e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ to** supervise the entire international research. (= to lack ability or tools to do something)

99. The accident didn't look all that serious, but he *suffered m* \_\_\_\_\_ *injuries* and had to undergo an operation. (= many, numerous)
100. Last year they *introduced l* \_\_\_\_\_ *to* prevent further air pollution by factories located in the southern part of the country. (= a sanctioned law)
101. The new government *legislated* \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ *alcohol consumption* after 10 pm in no time. (= to make a new law)
102. During the procedure, *a small i* \_\_\_\_\_ *will be made in(to)* the abdominal wall so that the surgeon can introduce a tube with a tiny video camera. (= a surgical opening made during an operation)
103. Unaware, the child pulled the trigger like he did when they used to play cowboys, and *the gun b* \_\_\_\_\_ *a hole in* the fish tank. (= to destroy or hit something as a result of an explosion or firing a weapon)
104. The President *was b* \_\_\_\_\_ *by the press for* vetoing the bill local entrepreneurs counted on so much. (= to criticise severely)
105. He was *shrinking* \_\_\_\_\_ *making a definite decision* for months before buying his own house in the suburbs. (= to avoid doing something)
106. The dilapidating, allegedly haunted mansion was abandoned in 1960s and *has been d* \_\_\_\_\_ *many families from living* anywhere in its vicinity. (= to discourage, prevent)
107. The police patrolling the streets *act/serve as a deterrent* \_\_\_\_\_ vandalism in the centre of the city. (= to inhibit from action)
108. Once the region became popular with tourists, *prices* in all local shops *p* \_\_\_\_\_ *up significantly*. (= to increase)
109. Although she didn't win, she *perked up* \_\_\_\_\_ *being* told that her life-long rival had finished the race last. (= to feel happier or better, cheer up)
110. This particular strain of the virus is not as *highly c* \_\_\_\_\_ as we might have suspected. (= infectious)

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## TOPIC 2: THE CULTURE OF THE IMAGE

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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#### A. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX

*Match the two halves in the columns below to make collocations.*

1. TO CARRY/ REMOVE ____	a. A SPEEDY/ FULL/ RECOVERY
2. TO FUEL ____	b. A SWIFT ACTION/ A GLANCE/ A CHANGE
3. TO COVER ____	c. REQUIREMENTS/ DEADLINES/ NEEDS
4. TO TAKE ____	d. SOCIAL STIGMA
5. TO MEET ____	e. A ROUTINE OPERATION
6. TO SUFFER/ RECEIVE/ INCUR ____	f. SOMEONE UP TO DATE WITH...
7. TO CONDUCT/ CARRY OUT ____	g. SPECULATIONS/ A DISCUSSION/ FEAR
8. TO IGNITE ____	h. SPONTANEOUSLY
9. TO KEEP/ BRING ____	i. EXPENSES/ THE RENT/ THE COST OF...
10. TO MAKE ____	j. MULTIPLE INJURIES

*Complete the following sentences with one missing word each, based on the collocations from the box above.*

1. To recover Little Red Riding Hood and her grandma from the Big Bad Wolf's stomach, the Huntsman had to \_\_\_\_\_ a non-routine operation with an unsterile axe.
2. When Lumiere saw Featherduster at the Beast's castle for the first time, he couldn't help \_\_\_\_\_ igniting with love.
3. The Wicked Witch of the West opted for a professional spin doctor willing to work overtime to help her remove social \_\_\_\_\_ against green-skinned members of society.
4. Having tumbled down the beanstalk, the unfriendly giant isn't likely to \_\_\_\_\_ a recovery any time soon.
5. Snow Queen \_\_\_\_\_ multiple injuries on the part of approaching Spring before eventually melting down completely.

6. To \_\_\_\_\_ herself up to date with galloping technological progress, the Little Match Girl opened an online business selling electronic lighters.
7. Snow White's decision to move in with seven strange men \_\_\_\_\_ some speculation in the nearby villages.
8. When the Witch leaned over the fire, Gretel \_\_\_\_\_ swift action tripping the hag up and pushing her into the oven.
9. Once Rapunzel moved in and made herself comfortable in the tower. Mother Gothel expected her to \_\_\_\_\_ at least half of the rent.
10. The White Rabbit glanced at his watch in panic knowing how many deadlines he had already failed to \_\_\_\_\_.

## B. IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES

*Transform the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same and the words given are used in an unmodified form.*

1. Not to be recognised, the Big Bad Wolf put grandma's flannel pyjamas on and struggled to answer a series of body-negative questions.

**(APPEARANCES)**

Wishing \_\_\_\_\_, the Big Bad Wolf put grandma's flannel pyjamas on and struggled to answer a series of body-negative questions.

2. After the Magic Mirror confirmed the Evil Queen's beauty was second to Snow White's charms, the monarch chose to undergo a surgery.

**(KNIFE)**

The Evil Queen chose to \_\_\_\_\_ after the Magic Mirror confirmed her beauty was second to Snow White's charms.

3. To make things worse, the White Rabbit was repeatedly glancing down at his stalled watch, although he had already felt pressed for time and anxious before.

**(FIRE)**

Already pressed for time and rather anxious, the White Rabbit was repeatedly glancing down at his stalled watch, which only \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Sick and tired of her impoverished life, Cinderella devised a cunning plan to marry into the royal family.

**(CIRCUMSTANCES)**

Cinderella had been sick and tired of living \_\_\_\_\_ and devised a cunning plan to marry into the royal family.

5. Without thinking much, Fifer the Pig and Fiddler the Pig refused to build their houses with more sturdy materials than straw and sticks.

**(HAND)**

Fifer the Pig and Fiddler the Pig \_\_\_\_\_  
the idea of building their houses with more sturdy materials than straw and sticks.

### C. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. The amount of red glitter flaking off Dorothy's slippers served as a powerful \_\_\_\_\_ to her clicking her heels together needlessly. **DETER**
2. Sebastian the Crab carried out an \_\_\_\_\_ analysis of the persuasive use of music and wrote "Under the Sea" to make Ariel self-isolate from humans. **SEE**
3. Upon his casual encounter with Tick-Tock the Crocodile, it dawned on Captain Hook that the time had come to have a thorough medical \_\_\_\_\_. **CHECK**
4. Donkeyskin only started to suspect that her brand new fur coat might make a rather \_\_\_\_\_ impression on the Prince. **SEE**
5. After he applied a tad of the antirust primer spray Dorothy bought for him on Amazon, Tin Woodman felt truly \_\_\_\_\_. **JUVENILE**
6. With a wicker basket in her hand, Little Red Riding Hood might have been a bit \_\_\_\_\_ to face the Big Bad Wolf. **EQUIP**
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ robes by a Scottish designer hardly satisfied the Emperor's taste, so he opted for the new spring collection by Zilch. **CHECK**
8. Although he had just escaped a decapitation sentence, the Mad Hatter was \_\_\_\_\_ in pursuing his singing career on Wonderland's Got Talent. **DETER**
9. It was an obvious \_\_\_\_\_ on the part of all of the forty thieves to have set up such straightforward passwords to open and close the sesame. **SEE**
10. Both Bashful and Dopey were a bit socially awkward and rather \_\_\_\_\_ for modern dating culture. **EQUIP**

## WORD FAMILIES

- deterrent (n. [c]), deterrence (n. [u]), deter (v.), deterring (adj.), (un)deterred (adj.)
- rejuvenation (n. [u]), rejuvenate (v.), juvenile (n. [c]), rejuvenated (adj.), juvenile (adj.)
- sight (n. [c] [u]), insight (n. [c] [u]), oversight (n. [c] [u]), sighting (n. [c]), see (v.), oversee (v.), sighted (adj.), unsightly (adj.), sightless (adj.), (un)insightful (adj.)
- check (n. [c]), checkup (n. [c]), checkout (n. [c]), check-in (n. [c] [u]), checker (n. [c]), check (v.), (un)checked (adj.), checked (adj.)
- equipment (n. [u]), equip (v.), (un)equipped (adj.), ill-equipped (adj.), underequipped (adj.), overequipped (adj.)

## D. SYNONYMS

*Match words 1-10 with their synonyms a-j.*

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|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. TO RAVAGE ____   | a. MERCHANDISE, A PRODUCT        |
| 2. PROMPT ____      | b. TO IMPLEMENT, TO INTRODUCE    |
| 3. TO IGNITE ____   | c. TO DISAPPEAR, TO DISINTEGRATE |
| 4. STIGMA ____      | d. TO AFFECT, TO INVOLVE         |
| 5. TO GRAFT ____    | e. TO DESTROY, TO RUIN           |
| 6. TO DISSOLVE ____ | f. LIGHT-HEADED, DIZZY           |
| 7. BOTCHED ____     | g. SHAME, CONTEMPT               |
| 8. A COMMODITY ____ | h. TO INITIATE, TO TRIGGER       |
| 9. TO CONCERN ____  | i. QUICK, EARLY                  |
| 10. GIDDY ____      | j. BUNGLED, SPOILED              |

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. MAINTENANCE  | VS. ALIMONY      |
| 2. TO DWINDLE   | VS. TO SHRINK    |
| 3. NEGLECT      | VS. AN OVERSIGHT |
| 4. A LACERATION | VS. AN INCISION  |
| 5. TO FLEE      | VS. TO ESCAPE    |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, based on the task above.*

1. The Wicked Witch wondered if Hansel and Gretel's parents should, by any chance, pay her child \_\_\_\_\_ now that she was co-parenting.
2. Alice was investigating which types of food and beverages made her \_\_\_\_\_ most instantaneously and which only triggered a violent allergy to fur-bearing rodents.
3. It was a vicious circle indeed, as Gideon's addiction stemmed from Honest John's constant \_\_\_\_\_ of the cat's punch-drunk attempts at impressing him.
4. Wishing to swiftly plant the overhyped kiss on Snow White's lips, Prince Charming shattered the glass coffin, which resulted in multiple \_\_\_\_\_ that had to be stitched closed before the said kiss ever took place.
5. Tom Thumb refused to reveal how he managed to \_\_\_\_\_ the unfortunate encounter with a voracious red cow.

## F. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AGAINST	FROM	ON	OVER
BY	IN	ONTO	WITH
FOR	INTO	OUT	

1. Peter Pan wanted to shrink \_\_\_\_\_ paying taxes at all cost, which is really why he decided never to grow up.
2. Goldilocks chose Baby Bear's almond milk porridge \_\_\_\_\_ the other two as she too was lactose-intolerant.
3. It was rather doubtful that after a sleepless night on a grain of pea under her mattress the Princess would ever recover \_\_\_\_\_ her bruises.
4. The Big Bad Wolf would never have sniffed Little Red Riding Hood had it not been for the all-beans steak cutlet sauce that was oozing \_\_\_\_\_ of the basket and right onto the forest path.
5. Pinocchio's first salsa class was a rather traumatic experience primarily because he was blasted \_\_\_\_\_ the instructor in front of the entire group for dancing like a wood-jointed puppet.
6. The Two Little Pigs were astounded to discover that their house insurance didn't cover them \_\_\_\_\_ the ravages caused by huffing and puffing.

7. Rapunzel was struggling \_\_\_\_ a tangle in her hair in case a prince or a knight happened to be accidentally, quite by chance, galloping nearby.
8. The Ugly Duckling wondered if it should have a few bunches of white feathers grafted \_\_\_\_ its wings just to melt in with the crowd of its adoptive siblings and cousins.
9. Baba Yaga was sent \_\_\_\_ quite a shock when Vasilisa excelled at separating grains of sound corn from rotten corn in record time.
10. Prince Charming eventually filed \_\_\_\_ divorce once he had learned that Snow White didn't break it up with the other seven men she had previously dated.
11. Rumour had it that the Sleeping Beauty wasn't actually in a coma from the spindle - she conjured up the story to conceal the fact that she had undergone surgery \_\_\_\_ her sagging cheeks.
12. The morning after the ball, Cinderella couldn't account \_\_\_\_ her glass footwear and concluded that sneakers would have been a better choice.
13. Modelling her reign over Wonderland on Henry VIII's ways, The Queen of Hearts was prompt \_\_\_\_ imposing decapitation sentences on her subjects.
14. The Wicked Witch of the West made it abundantly clear that she didn't appreciate people concerning themselves \_\_\_\_ her personal business.
15. Gulliver was trying to impress Thumbelina \_\_\_\_ the vain hope that the age difference between them would not be an issue.

## PRONUNCIATION

*Study and practise saying the following words out loud.*

**debut** /'deɪbjʊ:/, /'deb bju:/ (AmEn /deɪ'bjʊ:/, /dɪ bju:/)

**laceration** /,læsə'reɪʃən/

**minuscule, miniscule** /'mɪnəskju:l/

**overhaul** /,əʊvə'hɔ:l/ (AmEn /,oʊvər'hɔ:l/)

**reimburse** /,ri:əm'bɜ:s/ (AmEn /,ri:əm'bɜ:rs/)

## FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Discuss the following questions with a partner supporting your answers with **ARGUMENTS, EXPLANATIONS, and/or EXAMPLES.***

- Are major political, social, cultural, etc. **events covered by the media** in an unbiased manner or are such coverages inherently subjective? Give a few examples.



- What do you think prompts people in their struggle to attain long-term goals, which require a lot of effort? Which of the motivators you mentioned are the strongest?
- What do young adults today feel mostly concerned about? How do you think these issues can be resolved?
- What are some mechanisms that aim at stigmatising certain ethnic, social, religious, etc. groups? Provide an example.
- Should there be more campaigns against addictive substances, such as tobacco, alcohol, sugar, etc.? What media and what strategies would be most effective in communicating how detrimental the consequences of their overuse are?

## TOPIC 2 KEY VOCABULARY SET

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|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. SHELL         | 39. DEBUTED               | 77. CREDENTIALS    |
| 2. GIDDY         | 40. AGAINST               | 78. TO             |
| 3. PAY           | 41. LAUNCHED              | 79. OF             |
| 4. OFF           | 42. FOR                   | 80. APPRENTICE     |
| 5. FOR           | 43. FOR                   | 81. APPRENTICESHIP |
| 6. INTO          | 44. SWIFT                 | 82. BOTCHED        |
| 7. OVERHAULED    | 45. FROM                  | 83. BOTCHED        |
| 8. FOR           | 46. MADE                  | 84. GRAFT          |
| 9. UNDER         | 47. TO                    | 85. ON/ ONTO       |
| 10. QUEST        | 48. BOTTOM                | 86. GRAFTED        |
| 11. PROMPTED     | 49. STRUGGLING            | 87. IN             |
| 12. IN           | 50. FOR                   | 88. DISSOLVED      |
| 13. OVER/ ABOUT  | 51. WITH/ AGAINST         | 89. INTO           |
| 14. ON           | 52. COMMODITIES           | 90. OUT            |
| 15. MAINTENANCE  | 53. OVER                  | 91. OOZING         |
| 16. FOR          | 54. MINUSCULE (MINISCULE) | 92. LINGERED       |
| 17. IN           | 55. HOOKED                | 93. LINGERING      |
| 18. REJUVENATED  | 56. ROUTINE               | 94. SLIP-UP        |
| 19. TO           | 57. ON                    | 95. INTO           |
| 20. CARRIES      | 58. CHECK(-)UPS           | 96. CAME           |
| 21. STIGMATISED  | 59. WITH                  | 97. MET            |
| 22. AWAY         | 60. OUT                   | 98. ILL-EQUIPPED   |
| 23. FLEE         | 61. ACCOUNTED             | 99. MULTIPLE       |
| 24. TO           | 62. FOR                   | 100. LEGISLATION   |
| 25. FUELLED      | 63. RAVAGED               | 101. AGAINST/ FOR  |
| 26. FIRE/ FLAMES | 64. APPEARANCES           | 102. INCISION      |
| 27. TO           | 65. FOR                   | 103. BLASTED       |
| 28. FOR          | 66. TO                    | 104. BLASTED       |
| 29. COVERING     | 67. KEEP                  | 105. FROM          |
| 30. AGAINST/ FOR | 68. VAIN                  | 106. DETERRING     |
| 31. COVER        | 69. OF                    | 107. TO            |
| 32. TOOK         | 70. AIRED                 | 108. PERKED        |
| 33. UNDER        | 71. OUT                   | 109. AT            |
| 34. CONCERNS     | 72. UP                    | 110. CONTAGIOUS    |
| 35. CONCERN      | 73. TONE                  |                    |
| 36. WITH         | 74. IGNITE                |                    |
| 37. OVERSIGHT    | 75. IGNITE                |                    |
| 38. OVERSEEING   | 76. IN                    |                    |

## VOCABULARY PRACTICE

A.

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|------|-------|
| 1. d | 6. j  |
| 2. g | 7. e  |
| 3. i | 8. h  |
| 4. b | 9. f  |
| 5. c | 10. a |

1. carry out/ conduct
2. spontaneously
3. stigma
4. make
5. suffered/ received
6. keep
7. fuelled
8. took
9. cover
10. meet

B.

1. to keep up appearances
2. go under the knife
3. (only) added fuel to the fire
4. in reduced circumstances
5. dismissed out of hand

C.

1. deterrent
2. insightful
3. check-up (checkup)
4. unsightly
5. rejuvenated
6. underequipped
7. checked
8. undeterred
9. oversight
10. ill-equipped

D.

- |      |       |
|------|-------|
| 1. e | 6. c  |
| 2. i | 7. j  |
| 3. h | 8. a  |
| 4. g | 9. d  |
| 5. b | 10. f |

E.

1. **maintenance** (money paid to support an ex-spouse and/or children after divorce)  
**alimony** (mainly AmEn, syn. maintenance)
2. **to dwindle** (to become smaller in number/amount)  
**to shrink** (to become smaller in size)
3. **neglect** (paying too little attention to something you are responsible for)  
**an oversight** (failing to notice thing that may cause problems in future)
4. **a laceration** (a deep cut into one's body)  
**an incision** (a neat cut into one's body during a medical procedure)
5. **to flee** (to get away from a dangerous or unpleasant situation)  
**to escape** (to get away from an enclosed space)

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|----------------|----------------|
| 1. maintenance | 2. shrink      |
| 3. oversight   | 4. lacerations |
| 5. flee/escape |                |

F.

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|---------|----------------|----------|
| 1. from | 6. against/for | 11. on   |
| 2. over | 7. with        | 12. for  |
| 3. from | 8. onto        | 13. in   |
| 4. out  | 9. into        | 14. with |
| 5. by   | 10. for        | 15. in   |



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## TOPIC 3: MARKETING VOCABULARY SET

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*Complete the following sentences with missing words based on the source text covered in class (<https://tiny.pl/wkft>). The first letter and the number of missing letters have been indicated. If no such hints have been provided, fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions.*

*Pay attention to the phrases that have been bolded below.*

1. As she was **d** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **from the plane**, she realized the press must have got wind of her early arrival. (= to leave a ship or an aircraft after a journey)
2. As a result of our international cooperation, we are now **embarking** \_ \_ \_ **a pilot study** of our original teaching programme for young adults. (= to start something new)
3. A few of the teenage graffiti painters we had seen **t** \_ \_ \_ **flight** when the police arrived. (= to escape)
4. Their wonderful cupcakes were **t** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **from tropical fruits and champagne**. (= having pleasantly strong and sharp smell or taste)
5. After an hour-long Thai massage, they both **felt i** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ and at peace. (= to make someone feel healthier and energised)
6. These new **r** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **deck chairs** I bought for reading made an excellent addition to the garden. (= such whose back can be laid down)
7. My favourite **f** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in the kitchen is his cheese and sweet onion flan. (= a sweet and pleasant smell)
8. The spicy teas they served with ginger, turmeric, and aniseed was so unearthly that I **s** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **every sip**. (= to delight in, relish)
9. The food we taste is primarily perceived by our **o** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **system**. (= relating to someone's ability to smell)

10. These special gloves **get** us **a very good purchase** \_\_\_\_ the glass figures we produce. (= a firm hold of a surface)
11. Today a growing number of people **buy** all types of household appliances **on h \_\_\_\_ purchase**. (= to pay for something in instalments)
12. Local orchards have **a s \_\_\_\_\_ of** apples and therefore offer them at very reasonable prices. (= an excessive amount or number)
13. I don't think our new supervisor is **a \_\_\_\_ at dealing** with such difficult teams as ours is. (= skilled)
14. It seems online press use misleading titles and provocative thumbnails to **g \_\_\_\_ the attention of** modern readers. (= to attract, capture)
15. He's been in hospital for a few weeks now and on Thursday he finally started **responding \_\_\_\_ his drug treatment**. (= to react to, decrease harmful effects of a disease)
16. We will be able to make an official announcement once the foundation **has met its t \_\_\_\_\_ of** launching a series of anti-tobacco campaigns. (= to achieve a goal)
17. Conspicuous and vivid advertising is typically **targeted \_\_\_\_ younger audiences**, such as pupils and college students. (= to intend something for someone, direct at someone)
18. The more highly sensitive peers are **a s \_\_\_\_ target for** school bullies. (= to be easy to use or attack)
19. These oils **have been e \_\_\_\_\_ from** best quality fruits. (= to be removed, drawn out of)
20. During an interrogation the police have managed to **extract the information** they needed \_\_\_\_ **of / \_\_\_\_** the kidnappers. (= to elicit)
21. The tutor has selected **an e \_\_\_\_\_ from his novel** that has not been published yet and read it to us. (= a fragment, an excerpt)
22. I'm not saying they don't serve good food, but if bad reviews **appear \_\_\_\_ such great regularity**, it makes you wonder. (= regularly)
23. Policemen were **standing** in front of the hall \_\_\_\_ **regular intervals** of approximately 2 metres. (= space between)
24. Although we chat \_\_\_\_ **a regular basis**, I cannot say I know him well. (= regularly)
25. Amy is **a r \_\_\_\_\_** at the coffee shop down the street. (= a person who frequents a place)
26. Their first **baby had to be i \_\_\_\_\_** almost two weeks past the estimated due date. (= to use medication to make a pregnant woman give birth)

27. Bulimic patients we researched have developed an impressive range of ways to **i** \_\_\_\_ **vomiting**. (= to cause)
28. She **b** \_\_\_\_ **me a special blend of Jasmine tea** she brought from Hong Kong. (= to make by adding boiling water)
29. It seemed they have reached an agreement, but I knew **a bitter conflict was b** \_\_\_\_\_. (= to approach)
30. We **were served an unusual b** \_\_\_\_ **of** freshly squeezed orange juice and beer. (= a mixture of several things)
31. After lunch, we had a piece of cheesecake and **h** \_\_\_\_ **-b** \_\_\_\_ **coffee**. (= not shop-bought)
32. Advertising directed at children aims to **entice their parents** \_\_\_\_ **buying** an entire series of toys rather than a single toy. (= to persuade)
33. Today parents find it barely possible to **entice their children** \_\_\_\_ **from** their mobile devices. (= to dissuade from using, discourage)
34. As **a r** \_\_\_\_\_, he is always trying to bond with his customers to be able to meet all their needs. (= a person/company that sells goods to individuals)
35. At this time of the year we are bound to **make/lose a s** \_\_\_\_ in no time. (= to be successful/ unsuccessful when exchanging products for money)
36. I found these boots, a clutch, and a cashmere sweater \_\_\_\_ **the sale/** \_\_\_\_ **sale**. (= at bargain prices)
37. I was wondering if there is any **d** \_\_\_\_\_ **difference between** the two candidates we are considering for the position of the manager. (= clear, visible)
38. After studying the essay closely, she was finally able to **d** \_\_\_\_\_ **how much** has actually been plagiarised from online sources. (= to recognize, understand)
39. Within the first few months that we found two investors, we **opened a c** \_\_\_\_ **of beach hut cafés** in a small village in Greece. (= owned or managed by the same company or person)
40. **An unexpected c** \_\_\_\_ **of events** led us both to quit our jobs and move to Bali. (= a sequence of events)
41. A fully remote education programme means that I am **chained** \_\_\_\_ **a desk for** at least 7 hours a day. (= to be enslaved)
42. My grandparents met during the war, when my grandfather was deployed and **based** \_\_\_\_ my grandmother's **home town**. (= located)
43. Modern leadership principles are **primarily based** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ dialogue and rapport-building strategies. (= to be dependent on, develop from)

44. Experts claim that early foreign language acquisition *lays the base* \_\_\_\_ *future success*. (= to produce the basic structure for something)
45. As he was freshly out of college, he was first *employed on a half-time* *b* \_\_\_\_\_. (= not permanently)
46. As unusual as it may sound, I find the hustle and bustle of a busy café invigorating and very *c* \_\_\_\_\_ *to working*. (= providing the right conditions for something)
47. He was able to have a peaceful lunch at a local diner until a passer-by *got* *w* \_\_\_\_ *of* who he really was and notified the press. (= to find out, discover)
48. Storm had been brewing for quite some time, when suddenly *a g* \_\_\_\_ *of* *wind blew* the window open with a thud. (= a sudden blow of air)
49. The stories he tells and re-tells about how unprofessional his colleagues are *took the wind* \_\_\_\_ *out of my sails* and I just wanted to go back home to crawl under my bed. (= to make someone lose confidence or strength)
50. My relatives always told me I was *sailing* \_\_\_\_ *the wind* until my company made so much money I could easily afford what I had only dreamt about before. (= to try to achieve something that seems unlikely)
51. With so much rain this month, they say we should *brace ourselves* \_\_\_\_ local floods. (= to prepare yourself)
52. After the car accident last year, he had to *wear a neck b* \_\_\_\_ postoperatively for more than 7 months. (= a collar that supports, e.g. your neck)
53. One of the best things you can do is to *adopt a positive a* \_\_\_\_\_ *to* what happens around you and try to make the best of it. (= a way of doing something)
54. Dogs can hear sounds four times further away than people, which is why they recognize their owners *a* \_\_\_\_\_ before they can be seen. (= to come closer)
55. Once we came up with the idea, we needed to *approach our parents* \_\_\_\_ *a small loan*. (= to ask someone for something)
56. Even though everybody in the family encouraged her to *go* \_\_\_\_ *with the plan* and start a new project, she still had her doubts. (= to accept, embrace)
57. A small surprise party at their house *only a* \_\_\_\_ *to* the splendid evening she spent with her fiancé. (= to increase, improve)
58. Although the suspect claimed that he spent all day in the office and there were two witnesses who testified to his favour, the detective *felt something just didn't add* \_\_\_\_\_. (= to make sense)



59. The said newspaper took his words out of context and, to **add insult to i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_**, they chose very unfavourable photos to go with the interview. (= to make worse)
60. Excitement was mounting when **the official countdown** \_\_\_\_ the new year began. (= preparation for a launch of something)
61. Hurtful **rumours have begun c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** that her show might soon be cancelled. (= to become known)
62. More and more **forged banknotes are** \_\_\_\_ **circulation** across the UK. (= to be distributed)
63. It is a mistake to think that if **a newspaper has a c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of** 200 000 daily, it means that it has 200 000 readers. (= the number regularly sold)
64. They sent three EU **m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** to prevent a major crisis and help them come up with precautionary measures to implement in future. (= auditors, supervisors)
65. Scientists **m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** and compared **the levels of** carbon dioxide in the lungs of young cyclists who commute to work and school in big cities and smaller towns. (= to watch, control)
66. When there's ideological disagreement within a society, some people may march peacefully and others will **launch an assault** \_\_\_\_ whoever they come across. (= a violent attack)
67. A few miles away from the main tourist attractions, the streets were much more narrow and the few local shops we saw were all **daubed** \_\_\_\_ **murals** depicting fairy tale characters. (= painted, covered)
68. Their sudden success was **a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the interest of** every major player in the industry. (= to stir, cause interest)
69. On condition that everything goes according to their plan, the project may **g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ insane amounts of money**. (= to produce)
70. The principal gave up on the idea of renovating the school canteen and instead had **a v \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ machine** placed on each floor. (= a dispensing machine)
71. Children squeaked with genuine excitement when they saw **an ice-cream v \_ \_ \_ \_** down the street. (= a seller, a retailer)
72. He's a talented designer, so it's no wonder his coat line **o \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ any other** collection this past season. (= to sell more)
73. I cannot deny it was much harder at the beginning when I **single-handedly c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ parties** for up to 50 people. (= to provide food and drinks at an event)

74. Having a few bouncy castles and a dry pool with balls should be enough to **cater** \_\_\_\_\_ **all children's fantasies** about how much fun a birthday party can be. (= to provide, supply)
75. I have never seen a more diligent student – he is so **fixated** \_\_\_\_\_ **his education** that he'll surely master Japanese in no time. (= to be concentrated on)
76. To finish redecorating their house they needed to **tap even more** \_\_\_\_\_ **their savings**. (= to use a resource)
77. The President's private **phone conversations were t** \_\_\_\_\_ and later used to blackmail him into making costly political decisions. (= to be listened to in secret)
78. The mother **tapped** her sobbing child \_\_\_\_\_ **the back** and gave her a comforting kiss on the forehead. (= to hit gently)
79. Such limiting regulations will surely **r** \_\_\_\_\_ **competition** even further within the company. (= to limit, control)
80. We're **restricting ourselves** \_\_\_\_\_ one episode a day, so that we don't end up binge watching Netflix until 4 a.m. again. (= to limit yourself)
81. The new system **imposes** a few administrative **restrictions** \_\_\_\_\_ how to issue a certificate of attendance to non-members. (= to introduce limitations)
82. The more experienced staff suggested that the new **procedure** is too **r** \_\_\_\_\_ and did not support the proposal. (= limiting)
83. **The weeks** before his brain tumour removal **were a complete b** \_\_\_\_\_ and he didn't even remember he had a grandson now. (= an unclear memory)
84. After his eye procedure, **his vision was b** \_\_\_\_\_, but the following day he regained his clarity fully. (= not sharp)
85. The latest digital technologies **have b** \_\_\_\_\_ **the boundary between** advertising and entertainment. (= obscure)
86. Her research **gives/provides a real i** \_\_\_\_\_ **into** the nature of short-term memory loss in elderly patients with dementia. (= deep understanding)
87. Such facilities as an open-air swimming pool, a sauna, and a golf course are **available on the p** \_\_\_\_\_ **for** all conference participants. (= grounds and buildings that belong to an institution, a company, etc.)
88. He lost so much weight as a result of a rigorous diet regimen and **a s** \_\_\_\_\_ **exercise programme**. (= one that requires a lot of strength)
89. The sun was blazing brightly, so we had to **s** \_\_\_\_\_ to read the map. (= to bow down)

90. We all knew her for years and couldn't believe she would **stoop** \_\_\_\_ **stealing** office supplies. (= to act beneath oneself, lower your moral standards)
91. I still remember the times when Tetris **was the cutting edge** \_\_\_\_ computer game graphics. (= to be most advanced, newest)
92. This blog is in fact **a c** \_\_\_\_\_ **of** useful tips and advice on how to self-publish. (= a collection, a list)
93. After his rival's victory had been officially announced, the public **was r** \_\_\_\_\_ **speechless** awaiting his reaction to the news. (= to be unable to react)
94. After the physician has gone through your medical records and conducted some additional tests, he will **r** \_\_\_\_\_ **an opinion** including a diagnosis and further recommendations. (= to issue a formal statement)
95. Your home assignment is **to render this excerpt from Polish** \_\_\_\_ **English** and hand it in by the end of the week. (= to translate)
96. By admitting she had talked to his brother who was supposed to be travelling abroad at that time, she **stripped** \_\_\_\_ **his plan** to rob the local shop owned by Mrs. Stevenson. (= to reveal the truth)
97. This desk chair has been **c** \_\_\_\_\_ / **c** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ especially for their disabled son. (= to be produced for a specific buyer)
98. The product is most definitely not a total failure, it certainly **has some p** \_\_\_\_\_ **for improvement**. (= capacity)
99. They did not **give me any i** \_\_\_\_\_ **as to whether** I made a good or a bad impression during the interview. (= a sign)
100. She **has a name** \_\_\_\_ punctuality and meticulousness. (= reputation)
101. An author who **has m** \_\_\_\_ **a name for themselves** tends to be automatically put on best-seller stands. (= to become famous, recognised)
102. The car and the summer house in Spain **were** both \_\_\_\_ **my name**, so they were not brought up during the trial. (= to belong to someone officially)
103. The institution has been funded to **safeguard children** \_\_\_\_ **harm and neglect**. (= to protect, shield)
104. The journalist **q** \_\_\_\_\_ **him on/about** the relationship with his ex-wife and their three children. (= to question, inquire)
105. The elderly lady who lives next door **has become the b** \_\_\_\_ **of their life** after she took the eighth stray cat home. (= a cause of trouble)
106. Once Monica was appointed to be the manager and Martin was left out, he **h** \_\_\_\_\_ the management demanding an official explanation in writing. (= to repeatedly demand something from someone)

107. I'm afraid, my phone is **running low** \_\_\_\_ **battery**. Let me call you back later today. (= to run out of something)
108. Her book **of c** \_\_\_\_ would be either a biography or a travel guide. (= one that is usually selected or preferred)
109. They live on the outskirts of the city \_\_\_\_ **choice**, as they detest crowds and all the bustle of the streets outside. (= voluntarily)
110. The kidnappers say that if they are not paid the exact amount within the next 2 hours, they will **carry** \_\_\_\_ **their threat to** kill the hostages and set the building on fire. (= to do what one previously threatened to do)

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## TOPIC 3: MARKETING VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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### A. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX.

*Match the two halves in the columns below to make collocations.*

1. TO TAKE ____	a. COFFEE/ TEA/ BEER/ HERBS
2. TO GET/ GAIN ____	b. THE ATTENTION
3. TO GRAB/ ATTRACT/ CAPTURE ____	c. INFORMATION/ DATA/ DETAILS
4. TO EXTRACT ____	d. FLIGHT
5. TO BREW ____	e. A GOOD PURCHASE
6. A CHAIN OF ____	f. APPROACH TO SOMETHING
7. A GUST/ BLAST/ BREATH OF ____	g. EVENTS/ SHOPS/ MOUNTAINS
8. A POSITIVE/ PRACTICAL/ FRESH ____	h. TARGET
9. A VENDING ____	i. WIND
10. A SOFT/ EASY/ SITTING ____	j. MACHINE/ DEVICE/ SERVICE

*Complete the following sentences in with one missing word each, based on the task above.*

1. Sinbad the Sailor made up his mind to delay his voyage due to a sudden blast of \_\_\_\_\_ heralding a spell of bad weather.
2. Living in a secluded forest house, the ursine trio were sitting \_\_\_\_\_ for the villainous cherub of a girl with blond locks.
3. It seemed perfectly reasonable to Belle to attempt \_\_\_\_\_ more details regarding the Beast's obsession with glass-domed flora.
4. The Ugly Duckling's intestinal problems developed once it gave up on plant matter and started feeding off a birdseed \_\_\_\_\_ machine.
5. The moment the Magic Carpet heard Aladdin was going to dustbeat it and bleach its stains that afternoon, it took \_\_\_\_\_ to a bar to let off steam.
6. After years of whimsically beheading her subjects, the Queen of Hearts took a fresh \_\_\_\_\_ and opted for a more proactive leadership style.

7. Humpty Dumpty's failure to get a good \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall resulted in a breakdown and years of psychotherapy.
8. The Gingerbread Witch indulged herself in some freshly \_\_\_\_\_ tea that only enhanced the exquisite flavour of risotto with smoked urchins and dill.
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ of unlikely events led the Cheshire Cat to a Pawdicure Parlour where he had his claws clipped, his coat sanitary trimmed and his face towel washed.
10. Prince Eric captured the mermaid's \_\_\_\_\_ primarily because he possessed a set of mismatched cutlery much grander than hers.

## B. IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES

*Transform the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same and the words given are used in an unmodified form.*

1. Little Red Riding Hood took a rifle out of her basket and pointed it at the furry masquerader the moment she realised what the wolf's plot was.  
(WIND)  
Once Little Red Riding Hood \_\_\_\_\_ the wolf's plot, she took a rifle out of her basket and pointed it at the furry masquerader.
2. The Lost Boys set up their Alexa to play the sound of a ticking clock every time Captain Hook approached to undermine his confidence.  
(OUT)  
To \_\_\_\_\_ Captain Hook's sails, the Lost Boys set up their Alexa to play the sound of a ticking clock.
3. Everyone considered that with his life-long allergy to pollen Sneezy was unlikely to succeed in obtaining the job of a royal gardener.  
(SAILING)  
Due to his life-long allergy to pollen, Sneezy was considered \_\_\_\_\_ trying to obtain the job of a royal gardener.
4. Goldilocks was found guilty of petty theft of the porridge and, to make things worse, a week later she also committed an act of vandalism.  
(INJURY)  
Goldilocks was guilty of petty theft of the porridge and, \_\_\_\_\_, she also committed an act of vandalism a week later.

5. Due to an increasing shortage of magic potions, Wonderland had to outsource its production to the Wicked Witch of the West and Baba Yaga.

**(RUNNING)**

Wonderland \_\_\_\_\_ magic potions and had to outsource its production to the Wicked Witch of the West and Baba Yaga.

### C. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. Once the story of how Cinderella met Prince Charming started circulating in the kingdom, glass slippers \_\_\_\_\_ any other type of female footwear by 80%. **SELL**
2. According to the report, six out of seven dwarfs experienced psychological benefits of retraining from a \_\_\_\_\_ job in the mine to office work; Grumpy, however, developed irritability and anger issues. **STRONG**
3. \_\_\_\_\_ voted the Evil Queen as the second most ruthless witch, thus closely following the Gingerbread Witch. **RESPONSE**
4. In that era, it was \_\_\_\_\_ for princesses, such as Aurora, to find a future husband by falling into a self-inflicted coma. **CUSTOM**
5. The Wicked Witch owed her sickly emerald complexion to a regular application of kale and river sludge \_\_\_\_\_. **EXTRACT**
6. On opening her souvenir stall, Ariel the Hoarding Mermaid quickly realised that the majority of her stock were \_\_\_\_\_ gadgets, gizmos, and whatsits only she saw value in. **SALE**
7. Although she was interrogated for a few hours, the Sleeping Beauty remained largely \_\_\_\_\_ to the questions. **RESPOND**
8. Neverland had always been a major \_\_\_\_\_ of pixie dust until the Fairy Godmother forcefully overtook the business. **EXTRACT**
9. The Gingerbread Witch had to \_\_\_\_\_ the fence around her house after a group of voracious schoolchildren ate through it again. **STRONG**
10. Dorothy Gale had her shoes \_\_\_\_\_ so as to be able to transport herself not only back to Kansas, but also to locations as remote as Fuerteventura. **CUSTOM**

## WORD FAMILIES

- custom (n. [c]), customs (n. [plural]), customise (v.), customised (adj.), custom-made (adj.), customary (adj.), customarily (adv.)
- extract (n. [c]), extractor (n. [c]), extraction (n. [c][u]), extractivism (n. [u]), extract (v.)
- response (n. [c] [u]), respondent (n. [c]), responsiveness (n. [u]), respond (v.), (un)responsive (adj.), responsively (adv.)
- sale (n. [c] [u]), saleability (n. [u]), sell (v.), outsell (v.), oversell (v.), (un)sold (adj.), (un)sellable (adj.)
- strength (n. [c][u]), strengthen (v.), strenuous (adj.), strong (adj.), strongly (adv.)

## D. SYNONYMS

*Match words 1-10 with their synonyms a-j.*

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. TO SAFEGUARD ____  | a. TO LEAN, TO LOWER YOUR STANDARDS |
| 2. A MONITOR ____     | b. EVIDENCE, A SIGN                 |
| 3. TO STOOP ____      | c. TO PREPARE BY BOILING, TO INFUSE |
| 4. TO SAVOUR ____     | d. TO CONFINE, TO LIMIT             |
| 5. A BANE ____        | e. A SUPERVISOR, AN AUDITOR         |
| 6. TO GENERATE ____   | f. TO ENJOY, TO TASTE               |
| 7. TO BREW ____       | g. TO TRIGGER, TO CAUSE TO HAPPEN   |
| 8. AN INDICATION ____ | h. A BLIGHT, A BURDEN               |
| 9. TO INDUCE ____     | i. TO PROTECT, TO SHIELD            |
| 10. TO RESTRICT ____  | j. TO PRODUCE, TO CREATE            |

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

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|---------------|-----------|------------------|
| 1. FRAGRANCE  | VS. AROMA | VS. ODOUR        |
| 2. HOME-MADE  |           | VS. HOME-BREWED  |
| 3. A RETAILER |           | VS. A WHOLESALER |
| 4. CONDUCTIVE |           | VS. CONDUCTIVE   |
| 5. TO HARRY   |           | VS. TO NAG       |



*Complete the following sentences with one word, based on the task above.*

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ wafting around the Gingerbread House was so bewitching as it comprised a variety of chemical compounds which indistinguishably resembled sugar and spice and everything nice.
2. Jack believed he made quite a deal with a local \_\_\_\_\_ exchanging Daisy the Cow for three naturally-grown bean seeds with an organic farming certificate.
3. At this week's Mad Tea Party they only served \_\_\_\_\_ beverages such as camomile, sage, and fennel tea, as the March Hare failed to provide regular leaf tea.
4. Placing a pea under one's mattress may not be fully \_\_\_\_\_ to a good night's sleep, especially if you bruise like a peach.
5. Dumbo kept \_\_\_\_\_ his mother until she eventually agreed for him to have his ears surgically extended to at least 9 square meters.

## F. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AT	FOR	INTO	UPON
AWAY	FROM	ON	WITH
BY	IN	TO	

1. Pinocchio would never have stooped \_\_\_\_ lying if it had not been for the unfavourable circumstances he all too often found himself in.
2. Wendy sensed she had a rather sexist surname but she kept it \_\_\_\_ choice and due to some pressure from the Darling family.
3. Little Red Riding Hood braced herself \_\_\_\_ a meeting with the Big Bad Wolf by packing a fetch squeaky toy and a muzzle in her basket.
4. Our new advertising campaign for the new brand of labelled biscuits is targeted \_\_\_\_ small girls with a tendency to chase after white rodents.
5. The Gingerbread Witch had her patio converted into an open-air dining area, as children from the local kindergarten began to appear at her doorstep \_\_\_\_ greater regularity.
6. Rapunzel spent a few years based \_\_\_\_ the woods of the island Kingdom Corona working remotely for an international hair care brand.
7. The Evil Queen realised in therapy it was the Magic Mirror that enticed her \_\_\_\_ believing her worth solely depends on her looks.

8. Cinderella's goodness-impaired stepmother and her aesthetically-challenged step siblings embarked \_\_\_\_ a campaign against stigmatising villains and opted for more politically correct epithets.
9. The only person that could entice Princess Aurora \_\_\_\_ from dropping off to sleep again was Prince Philip's vow that he would explore his connections to get the new season of *The Crown* for her before its official release.
10. Hansel confirmed Gretel's testimony that she only wanted to tap the witch \_\_\_\_ the shoulder, to which she panicked, tripped, and fell into the flames quite by accident.
11. Rumpelstiltskin noticed signs of aging on his hands and around his neck area, which he blamed on a few thousand years of being chained \_\_\_\_ a spinning wheel.
12. The amount of synthetic pixie dust \_\_\_\_ circulation led to an increase in its market price.
13. Investigating Robin Hood's case, the Sheriff of Nottingham was falling over himself to account for how Lady Marion suddenly had two inns \_\_\_\_ her name that allegedly belonged to Robin.
14. Winnie the Pooh had been hospitalised for months as a consequence of a severe honey overdose and failed to respond \_\_\_\_ treatment three times already.
15. After Dorothy mistakenly tapped her heels together five times instead of three, as advised, she developed a rare ability to render any text \_\_\_\_ a blend of Esperanto and Mandarin Chinese.

## PRONUNCIATION

*Study and practise saying the following words out loud.*

**arouse** /ə'raʊz/

**daubed** /dɔ:bd/ (AmEn /dɒ:bd/)

**entice** /ɪn'taɪs/

**olfactory** /ɒl'fæktəri/ (AmEn /ɑ:l 'fæktəri/ /oʊl 'fæktəri/)

**tangy** /'tæŋ.i/

## FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Discuss the following questions with a partner supporting your answers with ARGUMENTS, EXPLANATIONS, and/or EXAMPLES.*

- Are **door-to-door vendors** equally effective in making sales as shop assistants? Why (not)?

- In what situations may people react in such an emotional manner that they are **rendered speechless**? Has it ever happened to you?
- Are rules and restrictions beneficial? How **restrictive** should governments be to maintain law and order within the society? Give examples.
- Should more or fewer **rules be imposed** on university student? Give examples of rules that you consider redundant and such that should be implemented.
- Why might it be a challenge to **meet deadlines**? How can you make sure that your errands are taken care of and completed on time?

## TOPIC 3 KEY VOCABULARY SET

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|------------------|-----------------|---|
| 1. DISEMBARKING  | 39. CHAIN       | 77. TAPPED                                    |
| 2. ON/ UPON      | 40. CHAIN       | 78. ON  |
| 3. TOOK          | 41. TO          | 79. RESTRICT                                  |
| 4. TANGY         | 42. IN          | 80. TO  |
| 5. INVIGORATED   | 43. ON/ UPON    | 81. ON  |
| 6. RECLINING     | 44. FOR         | 82. RESTRICTIVE                               |
| 7. FRAGRANCE     | 45. BASIS       | 83. BLUR                                      |
| 8. SAVO(U)RED    | 46. CONDUCTIVE  | 84. BLURRED                                   |
| 9. OLFACTORY     | 47. WIND        | 85. BLURRED                                   |
| 10. ON           | 48. GUST        | 86. INSIGHT                                   |
| 11. HIRE         | 49. OUT         | 87. PREMISES                                  |
| 12. SURFEIT      | 50. AGAINST     | 88. STRENUOUS                                 |
| 13. ADEPT        | 51. FOR         | 89. STOOP                                     |
| 14. GRAB         | 52. BRACE       | 90. TO  |
| 15. TO           | 53. APPROACH    | 91. IN  |
| 16. TARGET       | 54. APPROACHING | 92. COMPILATION                               |
| 17. AT           | 55. FOR         | 93. RENDERED                                  |
| 18. SOFT         | 56. ALONG       | 94. RENDER                                    |
| 19. EXTRACTED    | 57. ADDED       | 95. INTO                                      |
| 20. FROM/ OUT OF | 58. UP          | 96. AWAY                                      |
| 21. EXTRACT      | 59. INJURY      | 97. CUSTOMISED/<br>CUSTOMIZED,<br>CUSTOM-MADE |
| 22. WITH         | 60. TO          | 98. POTENTIAL                                 |
| 23. AT           | 61. CIRCULATING | 99. INDICATION                                |
| 24. ON           | 62. IN          | 100. FOR                                      |
| 25. REGULAR      | 63. CIRCULATION | 101. MADE                                     |
| 26. INDUCED      | 64. MONITORS    | 102. IN                                       |
| 27. INDUCE       | 65. MONITORED   | 103. FROM                                     |
| 28. BREWED       | 66. ON/ AT      | 104. QUIZZED                                  |
| 29. BREWING      | 67. WITH        | 105. BANE                                     |
| 30. BREW         | 68. AROUSING    | 106. HARRIED                                  |
| 31. HOME-BREWED  | 69. GENERATE    | 107. ON                                       |
| 32. INTO         | 70. VENDING     | 108. CHOICE                                   |
| 33. AWAY         | 71. VENDOR      | 109. BY                                       |
| 34. RETAILER     | 72. OUTSOLD     | 110. OUT                                      |
| 35. SALE         | 73. CATERED     |   |
| 36. IN/ ON       | 74. TO          |   |
| 37. DISCERNIBLE  | 75. ON          |   |
| 38. DISCERN      | 76. INTO        |   |

## VOCABULARY PRACTICE

A.

- |      |       |
|------|-------|
| 1. d | 6. g  |
| 2. e | 7. i  |
| 3. b | 8. f  |
| 4. c | 9. j  |
| 5. a | 10. h |

1. wind
2. targets
3. extracting
4. vending
5. flight
6. approach
7. purchase
8. brewed
9. chain
10. attention

B.

1. (had) got wind of
2. to take the wind out of
3. to be sailing against the wind
4. to add insult to injury
5. was running low on

C.

1. outsold
2. strenuous
3. respondents
4. customary
5. extracts
6. unsellable
7. unresponsive
8. extractor
9. strengthen
10. customised/ custom-made

D.

- |      |       |
|------|-------|
| 1. i | 6. j  |
| 2. e | 7. c  |
| 3. a | 8. b  |
| 4. f | 9. g  |
| 5. h | 10. d |

E.

1. **a fragrance** (a pleasant smell)  
**an aroma** (a strong pleasant smell)  
**an odour** (an unpleasant smell)
2. **home-made** (produced at home)  
**home-brewed** (produced at home, about hot beverages and beer)
3. **a retailer** (a person/company selling goods to individuals)  
**a wholesaler** (a person/company selling goods in large quantities)
4. **conductive** (favourable)  
**conductive** (able to transfer electricity, heat, etc.)
5. **to harry** (to keep asking for something insistently)  
**to nag** (to keep asking for something and complaining about not having it)

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|---------------------|---------------|
| 1. aroma/fragrance  | 2. retailer   |
| 3. home-brewed      | 4. conductive |
| 5. nagging/harrying |               |

F.

- |         |            |          |
|---------|------------|----------|
| 1. to   | 6. in      | 11. to   |
| 2. by   | 7. into    | 12. in   |
| 3. for  | 8. on/upon | 13. in   |
| 4. at   | 9. away    | 14. to   |
| 5. with | 10. on     | 15. into |



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## TOPICS 1-3

### VOCABULARY REVISION

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#### A. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AGAINST	FROM	OF	UNDER
AT	IN	ON	WITH
FOR	INTO	TO	

1. Fifer the Pig and Fiddler the Pig naively believed they could take cover \_\_\_\_ the wolf's huffing and puffing in their straw and stick cottages.
2. The Big Bad Wolf went through a rough patch after his unsolicited semi-surgical procedure and thus decided to restrict himself \_\_\_\_ consuming forest hares and squirrels instead of little girls and elderly ladies.
3. As most of Snow White's new roommates were lactose-intolerant vegans and gluten-free vegans, she had to make a fruit salad instead of a square cream cake to cater \_\_\_\_ all their needs.
4. After the sudden boom \_\_\_\_ pop-art pink flamingos, the Red Queen felt her matches lost their peculiar quality of nonsense and ordered a few thousand stork mallets instead.
5. The Gingerbread Witch approached the Evil Queen \_\_\_\_ tips on how to season apples so that they enhance the pristine flavour of her dishes.
6. This autumn season both slimy and mouldy are the shades \_\_\_\_ choice and very much en vogue among enchantresses, witches, and hags.
7. Having gained a few extra pounds, Piglet made sure he leaves the house \_\_\_\_ cover of darkness so that Tigger wouldn't pick on him.
8. Jack could have bought the magic beans \_\_\_\_ hire purchase, but he was determined to pay in full by offering Daisy the cow in exchange.

9. The White Rabbit has been \_\_\_\_ date the most influential trendsetter of hunter-case pocket watches and checked waistcoats.
10. Little did the Sleeping Beauty realise that spindles have such potential \_\_\_\_ treating chronic insomnia.
11. Had the Gingerbread Witch's meals been scheduled \_\_\_\_ slightly more regular intervals, she would not have suffered heartburn so much.
12. Facing heightism all their lives, Thumbelina and the Beanstalk Giant struggled \_\_\_\_ equal treatment from their more regular-sized fairy-tale peers.
13. Snow Queen bought her castle \_\_\_\_ the spring sale and invested a fortune to revamp it, which is why her savings began to melt away like rare snow.
14. The Mad Hatter made very little headway \_\_\_\_ therapy and soon went on a tea-drinking spree all over again.
15. Captain Hook won a chest of gold in the competition, as he proved the most adept \_\_\_\_ sailing a ship singlehandedly.
16. Aladdin's magic carpet was the cutting edge \_\_\_\_ Baghdad's aviation standards at the time.
17. The Queen of Hearts legislated \_\_\_\_ decapitation to be used as a precautionary measure and a very practical solution in contentious situations on the croquet ground.
18. Traces of wooden splinters and pieces of thread were laying around the comatose princess indicating that a spindle must have been used \_\_\_\_ the premises.
19. Puss in Boots had always had a name \_\_\_\_ great taste in footwear until he turned to earthing techniques to relieve stress.
20. As a painful consequence of the body-positive movement, the Evil Queen's business selling judgemental mirrors was forced \_\_\_\_ bankruptcy.

## B. PHRASAL VERBS



crop up  
check up on  
sign up for  
even up  
tone up  
botch up  
perk up  
add up



even out  
shell out  
carry out



dissolve into  
tap into



strip away  
melt away



lag behind  
pay off  
take in for  
even down  
go along



*Complete the following sentences with correct forms of the missing verbs. Refer to the list above, if necessary.*

1. The Red Queen was inclined to chop off a few heads to \_\_\_\_\_ up the score between the two teams. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Goldilocks hoped the question of her criminal past involving food theft, furniture vandalism, and cradle trespassing would not \_\_\_\_\_ **up** at the job interview for the position of kindergarten kitchen help. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Much to the Emperor's dismay, someone eventually addressed the elephant in the room and \_\_\_\_\_ **away** the truth behind his new nude ensemble. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The two little pigs found it excruciating to admit in front of their elder sibling that they \_\_\_\_\_ **up** both their stick house and their straw house. \_\_\_\_\_
5. It seems Sleeping Beauty didn't quite \_\_\_\_\_ **out** her promise not to toy with spinning wheels. \_\_\_\_\_
6. The Wicked Witch of the West applied kale and pickle serum to \_\_\_\_\_ **out** her skin tone before the big girls' night out with Dame Gothel and Baba Yaga. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Prince Charming had to \_\_\_\_\_ **along with** the new safety measures and made numerous attempts at blowing kisses at Snow White from a two-metre distance. \_\_\_\_\_
8. The true story is that Goldilocks had always been rather picky, and so, once she discovered that the porridge was actually not gluten-free and far from being just right, her amiable mood quickly \_\_\_\_\_ **away**. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Once she had got over the phase of denial, Ariel the Mermaid \_\_\_\_\_ **up for** a cognitive-behavioural therapy of the hoarding disorder that had surfaced on several embarrassing occasions. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Rumpelstiltskin had to \_\_\_\_\_ his spinning wheel **in for** an overhaul that year, as it started spinning straw into fishnet socks. \_\_\_\_\_
11. The forest police felt that the Big Bad Wolf's testimony blaming a little girl, an elderly woman, and a local lumberjack for mutilating him didn't just \_\_\_\_\_ **up**. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Baba Yaga took great delight in long journeys, but this time she felt so homesick that she instantaneously \_\_\_\_\_ **up** seeing her chicken leg house from afar. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Having understood that Snow White was not going to move out any time soon, the seven dwarves became intent on trying to \_\_\_\_\_ **down** the cost of house rental and maintenance by making their new housemate pay her share of the rent. \_\_\_\_\_

14. The Little Tin Soldier wished he had never agreed to participate in the swimming instead of the freediving event, as his inability to float made him seriously \_\_\_\_\_ **behind** other competitors. \_\_\_\_\_
15. The moment Cinderella's gaze fell on the two glass slippers gifted by her ray-of-sunshine Fairy Godmother, both of which were for the left foot, she \_\_\_\_\_ **into** mad laughter. \_\_\_\_\_
16. Winnie the Pooh gave up all his attempts at \_\_\_\_\_ his body **up** for summer and decided he might as well be short, fat, and proud of that. \_\_\_\_\_
17. The Wicked Stepmother came to the realisation that she'll have to \_\_\_\_\_ **out** a small fortune to spruce up her unprepossessing daughters for their once-in-a-lifetime-chance ball. \_\_\_\_\_
18. Although she was undoubtedly skilled in the kitchen, it would be an overstretch to say that the Gingerbread Witch's culinary efforts \_\_\_\_\_ **off** in the end. \_\_\_\_\_
19. Feeling a wee remorseful, Little Red Riding Hood \_\_\_\_\_ **up on** the wolf at the intensive care ward and brought him a basketful of just like grandma's lamb chops. \_\_\_\_\_
20. Winnie's tummy rumbled no more the moment she \_\_\_\_\_ **into** the honey supply Rabbit's friends and relatives discovered in the forest nearby. \_\_\_\_\_

*Match the sentences above with the following meanings of the phrasal verbs used.*

- a. to make sense
- b. to pay unwillingly
- c. to reveal something
- d. to enrol for a class
- e. to be successful
- f. to do what you said you would
- g. to make equal by decreasing something
- h. to accept, to embrace something
- i. to start doing something in an uncontrolled way
- j. to make firm and strong
- k. to be mentioned
- l. to increase, to feel happier
- m. to make equal
- n. to spoil, do something badly
- o. to use, get some benefit from something
- p. to be delayed, not to be as advanced as something or someone else
- q. to make sure someone is doing well

- r. to bring something to a place where it is serviced, repaired, etc.
- s. to disappear gradually
- t. to make equal by increasing something

### C. VERB COLLOCATIONS

*Complete the sentences below with appropriate verbs from the box. Remember to use correct grammatical forms of the verbs:*

BLUR	INDUCE	RENDER
CATER	LAUNCH	SKEW
GIVE	LAY	TAP
GRIP	MAKE	WEAR
HANDLE	MANDATE	WITHSTAND

- The Wicked Witch of the West's crystal ball had been secretly \_\_\_\_\_, which could have brought about her undoing.
- Tick-Tock the Crocodile felt rather estranged after his failed attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ Captain Hook's hand in what he considered to be an amicable manner.
- It is believed that the Cheshire Cat \_\_\_\_\_ the base for a more positive attitude towards one's dental health.
- The Ugly Duckling wanted to fit in so badly that it was considering \_\_\_\_\_ either a neck brace or an anti-swan neck orthosis.
- The Magic Mirror \_\_\_\_\_ the Evil Queen a rather subjective insight into contemporary beauty standards.
- A few interior design magazines reported Baba Yaga's chicken leg house as a flamboyant spectacle that \_\_\_\_\_ the boundary between the wild-voguish and the agrarian.
- It suddenly dawned on Little Red Riding Hood that she may use her personal experiences and connections to start a small business \_\_\_\_\_ events and delivering food to people's doors.
- Hansel and Gretel \_\_\_\_\_ a campaign educating people how an uncontrollable sugar binge may traumatise you and change your life forever.
- A vast majority of Wonderlanders concluded that protective measures against unlicensed shrinking potions and growth cookies should be \_\_\_\_\_ without further delay.
- The Magic Mirror eventually admitted that it may have \_\_\_\_\_ the results of its research into the most fair, beautiful, and lovely of them all.
- As the shoe they lived in had already \_\_\_\_\_ excessive usage, the Old Lady and her many offspring were overjoyed to be moving into a natural-wood clog for the summer season.

12. Who knew that evil mirrors that distort reality and magnify the ugly in people and all things should be \_\_\_\_\_ carefully when moved around?
13. The court had finally \_\_\_\_\_ a decision that Humpty Dumpty's injuries were largely self-inflicted and no third parties would be held accountable.
14. It was only thanks to her authentic sweat-and-blood culinary passion that the Gingerbread Witch \_\_\_\_\_ a name for herself.
15. Studies have shown that anticipation for a perfect man or a sleuth of bears to arrive \_\_\_\_\_ a comatose state, especially in the presence of magic wishing apples, spindles, and oats.

## D. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. The Cheshire Cat made his characteristic \_\_\_\_\_ grin into a logo of his travel agency based in Wonderland. **CIRCLE**
2. In the face of a global pandemic, the witches association \_\_\_\_\_ the idea of holding their coven meeting remotely this season. **SPOUSE**
3. Taking her brand-new pumpkin carriage for a spin round the kingdom made Cinderella feel so \_\_\_\_\_ that she was no longer into meeting a random prince at some razzle-dazzle ball. **VIGOUR**
4. The Fairy Tale Institute for Mental Health noticed disturbing \_\_\_\_\_ of Rapunzel Syndrome, having analysed the more recent cases in the Cheshire Cat and Puss in Boots. **CONTAGION**
5. Although they were \_\_\_\_\_ at the ball, the ugly stepsisters went largely unnoticed against other available ladies from the kingdom. **DEBUT**
6. Alice suspected that Thumbelina drank one of the \_\_\_\_\_ shrinking potions she brought from Wonderland as a souvenir. **DILUTE**
7. Once Cinderella, Snow White, and Sleeping Beauty had a sincere talk they realised life is not a fairy tale and maintaining the \_\_\_\_\_ bliss they all experienced at the beginning of their marriages turned out to be a challenge. **SPOUSE**

8. After the fourth honey pot, Winnie the Pooh felt the need to engage in a series of \_\_\_\_\_ exercises in the hope of losing a few pounds. **VIGOUR**
9. Rumours began to \_\_\_\_\_ that the princess was going out with an amphibian of a prince. **CIRCLE**
10. When reconstructing their stick and straw houses, the two Little Pigs remained largely \_\_\_\_\_ about the rumours regarding the reappearance of the Big Bad Wolf in the area. **CONCERN**

### WORD FAMILIES

- (semi)circle (n. [c]), circulation (n. [u]), circle (v.), circulate (v.), (semi)circular (adj.), circulatory (adj.)
- concern (n. [c] [u]), concern (v.), (un)concerned (adj.), concerning (prep.)
- contagion (n. [c] [u]), contagiousness (n. [u]), (un)contagious (adj.)
- countdown (n. [c, singular]), count (n. [c]), recount (n. [c]), counter (n. [c]), count (v.), recount (v.), (un)countable (adj.), countless (adj.)
- debut (n. [c]), debutante (n. [c]), debut (v.)
- dilution (n. [u]), dilute (v.), dilute (adj.), (un)diluted (adj.), (non-)dilutive (adj.)
- spouse (n. [c]), espousal (n. [u]), espouse (v.), spousal (adj.), (un)espoused (adj.)
- vigour (n. [u]), invigorate (v.), invigorated (adj.), vigorous (adj.), vigorously (adv.)

### E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. TO DISSOLVE      | VS. TO DILUTE       |
| 2. TO MAKE PROGRESS | VS. TO MAKE HEADWAY |
| 3. TO LEGISLATE     | VS. TO MANDATE      |
| 4. A SURFEIT OF     | VS. A MYRIAD OF     |
| 5. TO MONITOR       | VS. TO SUPERVISE    |
| 6. A MATTER OF      | VS. A MATTER FOR    |
| 7. (A) GRIP         | VS. (A) PURCHASE    |
| 8. ENTANGLED WITH   | VS. ENGAGED WITH    |
| 9. REJUVENATED      | VS. INVIGORATED     |
| 10. TO INDUCE       | VS. TO TRIGGER      |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, referring to the task above.*

1. Wonderland has launched a new series of fruit-flavoured growth and shrinking tablets that work best if \_\_\_\_\_ in a glass of water from the magic fountain.
2. Judging by his improved facial appearance, Pinocchio has made a great deal of \_\_\_\_\_ and no longer stoops to lying.
3. The Ministry of Spinning was \_\_\_\_\_ to trace and destroy all the obsolete spinning wheels in the kingdom and locate Rumpelstiltskin to design a new, spindleless version of the contraption.
4. Dorothy Gale felt rather uncomfortable at the gala, having just learned that a \_\_\_\_\_ of red glitter on female footwear is no longer desirable this season.
5. Cinderella's Fairy Godmother was there to discretely \_\_\_\_\_ if her goddaughter would obediently carry out her instructions.
6. Thumbelina's prospects of getting engaged to a rather senile mole was never really a matter \_\_\_\_\_ any serious consideration for her.
7. As Alice was falling down the rabbit hole, she had only one wish: to get a good \_\_\_\_\_ on whatever resembled the floor so that her head could stop spinning.
8. Snow White is rumoured to have been \_\_\_\_\_ with seven shady men living in the forest before she married Prince Charming.
9. Apple cider enzymes help \_\_\_\_\_ your skin, which is why the Evil Queen has set up her black-apple orchard in the first place.
10. Little did Jack know that the purchase of the magic beans may \_\_\_\_\_ such a far-reaching chain of events.

## F. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX.

*Match the two halves of the phrases below to make collocations.*

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|--|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SOMEONE'S LINE OF _____</li> <li>2. HEATED _____</li> <li>3. ELECTRONIC/ NUMERICAL _____</li> <li>4. LINGERING _____</li> <li>5. RECLINING _____</li> <li>6. TO LAUNCH/ CARRY OUT _____</li> <li>7. TO CARVE/ MAKE/ FIND _____</li> <li>8. TO RECEIVE/ COME INTO _____</li> <li>9. TO MAKE/ LOSE/ HAVE _____</li> <li>10. TO DILUTE _____</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. DISCUSSIONS/ DEBATES/ ARGUMENTS</li> <li>b. HOPES/ MEMORIES/ SUSPICIONS</li> <li>c. REASONING/ THINKING/ THOUGHT</li> <li>d. (DECK) CHAIRS/ SEATS/ SOFAS</li> <li>e. DATA</li> <li>f. A SALE</li> <li>g. AN ASSAULT</li> <li>h. A NICHE FOR YOURSELF</li> <li>i. YOUR SAVINGS/ PUBLIC FEARS/ STRESS</li> <li>j. A WINDFALL</li> </ol> |
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## TOPICS 1-3 KEY VOCABULARY REVISION

### A.

- |          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| 1. from  | 11. at      |
| 2. to    | 12. for     |
| 3. to    | 13. in      |
| 4. in    | 14. with/in |
| 5. for   | 15. at      |
| 6. of    | 16. in      |
| 7. under | 17. for     |
| 8. on    | 18. on      |
| 9. to    | 19. for     |
| 10. for  | 20. into    |

### B.

1. even (t)
2. crop (k)
3. stripped (c)
4. botched (n)
5. carry (f)
6. even (m)
7. go (h)
8. melted (s)
9. signed (d)
10. take (r)
11. add (a)
12. perked (l)
13. even (g)
14. lag (p)
15. dissolved (i)
16. toning (j)
17. shell (b)
18. paid (e)
19. checked (q)
20. tapped (o)

### C.

1. tapped
2. grip
3. laid
4. wearing
5. gave
6. blurred
7. catering
8. launched
9. mandated
10. skewed
11. withstood
12. handled
13. rendered
14. made
15. induces

### D.

1. semi-circular
2. espoused
3. invigorated
4. contagiousness
5. debutantes
6. undiluted
7. spousal
8. vigorous
9. circulate
10. unconcerned

### E.

1. **to dissolve** (to become part of a liquid by mixing with it)  
**to dilute** (to make another liquid weaker by adding water to it)
2. **to make progress** (the process of developing or improving something)  
**to make headway** (syn., also the process of attaining something)

3. **to legislate** (to formulate and introduce a law)  
**to mandate** (to support someone by giving them the power/right to do something)
  4. **a surfeit of** (excess, more than needed)  
**a myriad of** (countless, innumerable, very many)
  5. **to monitor** (to watch/ check something and record results)  
**to supervise** (to watch/ check something and provide instructions/directions, if necessary)
  6. **a matter of** (indicates what is needed for something to happen)  
**a matter for** (a situation that needs to be dealt with/ considered)
  7. **grip** (a way of holding something tightly)  
**purchase** (syn. an act of taking hold of something or making a firm contact with it)
  8. **entangled with** (to become involved in a relationship that is difficult to escape from)  
**engaged with** (to come into contact with someone)
  9. **rejuvenated** (to make someone feel young and energetic again)  
**invigorated** (to make someone feel stronger and more energetic)
  10. **to induce** (to make something happen, to cause something)  
**to trigger** (syn.)
1. dissolved
  2. progress/ headway
  3. mandated
  4. surfeit
  5. supervise
  6. for
  7. grip/ purchase
  8. entangled
  9. rejuvenated
  10. induce/trigger

F.

1. c
2. a
3. e
4. b
5. d
6. g
7. h
8. j
9. f
10. i



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## TOPIC 4: WORK AND SUCCESS

### VOCABULARY SET

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*Complete the following sentences with missing words based on the source text covered in class (<https://tiny.pl/wkfk9>). The first letter and the number of missing letters have been indicated. If no such hints have been provided, fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions.*

*Pay attention to the phrases that have been bolded below.*

1. The corporate world favours **g \_ -g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** over more compliant and less proactive employees. (= self-starters)
2. Mothers often **p \_ \_** *their children first* and tend to forget they too have needs. (= to prioritise)
3. They now live in a beautiful place **s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** *only to* a luxury spa resort in Bali, I think. (= next best)
4. It was so dangerous to go to the old mine alone; you should have informed someone **\_ \_ \_** *the first place!* (= to begin with)
5. Do I recommend it? Their course in time management and goal setting is ***second to n \_ \_ \_***. (= unrivalled, unequalled)
6. Although it seemed hardly possible, the Roberts **s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** *to* run a family company and successfully compete with big corporations. (= to try very hard)
7. He works two jobs ***striving*** **\_ \_ \_** *a comfortable future* for his two children. (= to attempt, especially against some difficulties)
8. If you order three hamburgers and fries, you get as many soda re-fills as you want ***at no extra c \_ \_ \_***. (= at no extra charge)
9. He's determined to do a post-graduate programme in international business and administration, **w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** *the cost*. (= irrespective of how costly something is)

10. As you are now working remotely, you should protect your eyes from blue light \_\_\_\_ **all costs**. (= whatever happens)
11. Uncertainty and lack of financial stability in life may be **p** \_\_\_\_\_ **a severe strain on** young parents. (= to put pressure on)
12. **Having been under a great deal of s** \_\_\_\_\_ this year, he decided to take a longer holiday. (= burden, pressure)
13. His project proposal was evaluated as one of our most innovative endeavours and **met** \_\_\_\_\_ **unprecedented success** both in India and Japan. (= to be successful)
14. I am sure that my son's **success** in the exam can be **put** \_\_\_\_\_ **to** his diligence, skills and natural talent he inherited from his father. (= to be caused by something)
15. Businesses these days are looking to **m** \_\_\_\_\_ **a success of** their staff exchange programmes. (= to be successful)
16. The manager is alleged to **have been/ come** \_\_\_\_\_ **a huge amount of pressure** to employ the vice-president's wife as a team leader. (= to pressurize)
17. I think I **was** too much **under pressure** \_\_\_\_\_ **my relatives to** take over the family business to ever be able to derive any satisfaction from it. (= to be strongly persuaded)
18. She should think of a different career rather than keep **exerting pressure** \_\_\_\_\_ **her students** never to question her instructions. (= to force)
19. After a few years of being self-employed and my own boss, I discovered that **the p** \_\_\_\_\_ **of 24/7 work I imposed on myself was too much to handle**. (= stress, demands)
20. **P** \_\_\_\_\_ **pressure** is among the main factors why pupils bully their less extrovert schoolmates. (= group influence, coercion)
21. The report has drawn my attention to **a s** \_\_\_\_\_ **difference between** the managers' income before and after the crisis last year. (= large, great)
22. I don't know where you've encountered such data, but your claims about there being absolutely no impact whatsoever on the environment **remain without s** \_\_\_\_\_. (= untrue)
23. What happened, \_\_\_\_\_ **substance**, was that a new PA was employed and the previous one was promoted. (= in essence)
24. We ordered ourselves freshly brewed coffee, chose a nice table by the window, and both **sank** \_\_\_\_\_ **our cosy armchairs**. (= to sit heavily)
25. In the face of such problems, everyone would be more likely than not to **sink** \_\_\_\_\_ **depression**. (= to become depressed)

26. There was such interest in the new training programmes that **their number sank** \_\_\_\_ **just three** in no time. (= to be reduced)
27. Everybody in the town was searching the woods, but the little girl **sank without trace** \_\_\_\_\_. (= to disappear completely)
28. Only because some of his recent **decisions were questionable** \_\_\_\_\_, did we avoid a major investment mistake. (= to challenge, oppose)
29. The recent report **raised** \_\_\_\_\_ **important questions** of whether the additional staff was now redundant or it was still needed. (= to ask)
30. **There's no question** \_\_\_\_ his expertise in the field. (= to be completely certain)
31. That we will benefit from employing a coach for our staff **is beyond question**. (= to be certain or definite)
32. The meeting \_\_\_\_\_ **question** was held in Amsterdam and took more than five hours. (= the one discussed)
33. The company can't take on any more employees this year; **it's out of the question**. (= impossible, not an option)
34. He'd achieved everything he could, and as **there were no prospects** \_\_\_\_\_ **for** him at that time, he quit and found a more challenging job. (= no chances for future success)
35. There is **every prospect** \_\_\_\_\_ **of** success if the manager accepts our proposal. (= a strong possibility)
36. The new software may be more costly, but it **compares favourably** \_\_\_\_\_ efficiency and is more user-friendly than the old one. (= to be as good as something else)
37. The way he approaches problems and challenges is **beyond compare** \_\_\_\_\_. (= exceptional, unparalleled)
38. The new board seems more fair, yet less permissive **by comparison** \_\_\_\_\_ **to** the one previously appointed. (= when compared)
39. These novels **invite some comparison** \_\_\_\_\_ his mother's writing, so it will be impossible to avoid criticism. (= to remind of something else)
40. Advertisers now **draw/ make comparisons** \_\_\_\_\_ how wonderful the new product is and how ineffective it was back in 1990s. (= to juxtapose)
41. I can help you clean your room, Timmy, but I **draw the line** \_\_\_\_\_ **doing** your homework with you every day. (= to accept up to a particular point)
42. Her ex-fiancé **screwed** \_\_\_\_\_ **her in the back** by marrying her step-sister less than half a year after they split up. (= to betray)

43. Sofia **felt a stab** \_\_\_\_ **guilt** when the caretaker asked who ate all the sweets.  
(= a sudden sharp feeling)
44. I was rather discouraged at first, but after I **took one more stab** \_\_\_\_ figure skating, I came to love it with all my heart. (= to make an attempt)
45. His wife was by his side on all occasions and **all the way** \_\_\_\_ **the career ladder**. (= to become successful)
46. Give me a day – I **have my ways and m** \_ \_ \_ \_ **of finding** us the right candidate for the job. (= methods)
47. They had been at a dead end when one of the apprentices **found a way** \_\_\_\_ **the problem**. (= a solution)
48. All the drivers stopped their cars and tried to **m** \_ \_ \_ **way for** an approaching ambulance. (= to provide space)
49. After months of mindful preparation, **plans were well** \_\_\_\_ **way for** a chain of family cafés in the city. (= to have started to happen)
50. A lot of studies have been published regarding long-term consequences of s \_ \_ \_ \_ **-i** \_ \_ \_ \_ **isolation**. (= to be caused by yourself)
51. The new vice president **imposed a total ban** \_\_\_\_ **smoking** on the company premises. (= to legally forbid)
52. I refused their invitation to stay at their house, simply because I don't want to **impose** \_\_\_\_ **them**. (= to cause inconvenience)
53. I felt dwarfed by her brother's **i** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **figure**. (= large, impressive, powerful)
54. It might **be a bit of an i** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ , but I would appreciate it if I could use your computer for just five minutes please. (= trouble, intrusion)
55. Although the editor only read the title and s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **the rest of** my article, she still decided to have it published. (= to leave out, miss)
56. The meeting needs to be short, so we'd better **skip** \_\_\_\_ **some of the less important issues** and discuss only the most urgent problems. (= to omit)
57. By **skipping** \_\_\_\_ **one topic to another** they were trying to avoid having an argument with the manager. (= to leave and move on to another one)
58. Buying a house is not **beyond her m** \_ \_ \_ \_ , but she enjoys her luxurious lifestyle too much to give up on it and save up a round sum. (= too expensive)
59. Once you've passed your driving test, buy a car **w** \_ \_ \_ \_ **your means**, and only then think of making a more significant investment. (= affordable)
60. He came from a very poor family, but through his hard work and wise investments, he became **a man** \_\_\_\_ **means**. (= wealthy)

61. I treat my new position seriously, but I also know it is only **a means** \_\_\_\_ **an end**, which will allow me to start on a very different career path. (= a method, a way to achieve something)
62. Peer pressure and bullying may lead pupils to **develop s** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **tendencies** at some point. (= to be likely to kill oneself)
63. Sadly, **a** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **suicides** are becoming more and more common among young teenagers. (= a failed suicide try)
64. He's been sentenced for **a** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **suicide** he **committed** due to a promise he made to his terminally ill brother. (= mercy killing)
65. He was employed temporarily and **had a purely a** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **role** in the department. (= consultative)
66. Before setting off for India for the first time in my life, I carefully went through **the a** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **issued by** the Embassy. (= official warning)
67. This problem is a multifaceted one and it will be impossible to make an informed decision without **gathering a think t** \_ \_ \_ . (= consultants)
68. They presented their idea for another version of their key product **at the l** \_ \_ \_ \_ **of a new branch of the company in Portugal**. (= an act of introducing something into the market)
69. They joined their forces and **launched a campaign to prevent/** \_\_\_\_ racism in the workplace. (= to initiate)
70. This volume is so original I am sure it will **launch her career** \_\_\_\_ **a poet** in no time. (= to begin, spark off)
71. Before you introduce any significant changes in the application, it is advisable to **c** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **some research into** your customers' needs. (= to examine, study)
72. We have appointed a team of experts in the field to focus on **researching** \_\_\_\_ **potential harmful effects** fungicides may have on the environment. (= to investigate)
73. They invented a method of extracting oil from coconuts **h** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **unheard of in the world**. (= up to now, so far)
74. If you **sacrifice** your personal life \_\_\_\_ **the altar of** your career, you may end up clinically depressed. (= to give up for the sake of)
75. These informational booklets were **c** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **by** the Ministry of Education. (= to ask someone formally to do a specific job)
76. He's been doing really well **selling** second-hand cars \_\_\_\_ **commission**. (= extra money paid based on the number of items or services sold)

77. Oil paintings from that period of his life **are representative** \_\_\_\_ his interest in capturing fleeting moments of people's daily lives. (= a typical example of something)
78. They've been testing **saliva s** \_\_\_\_\_ **to determine whether the virus can mutate.** (= a specimen)
79. He **offered me a f** \_\_\_\_\_ **explanation of why** he couldn't hand in his term paper on time. (= excessive and insincere)
80. He **thanked her f** \_\_\_\_\_ **for** all her precious help. (= amply, excessively)
81. With her naturally **f** \_\_\_\_\_ **figure**, this Italian actress was a symbol of femininity in the early 1970s. (= curvy)
82. The interior is unwelcoming, which is why students have **d** \_\_\_\_\_ his office 'the den'. (= to be called)
83. I'd prefer American **films were not dubbed** \_\_\_\_ **Spanish** but had Spanish subtitles instead. (= to be translated)
84. We really **didn't intend to p** \_\_\_\_ when we asked about her ex-husband-to-be. (= to meddle, ask personal questions)
85. The press **have always been prying** \_\_\_\_ **the private lives of** the Royal family and its members. (= to interfere in someone else's business)
86. I only invited her for coffee to **pry more information** about her brother \_\_\_\_ **of** her. (= to elicit information)
87. His sudden **l** \_\_\_\_ **of appetite made him sign up for a series of medical tests.** (= no longer having something)
88. This year we **have m** \_\_\_\_ **a small loss**, but we have also worked out an excellent strategy for the following one. (= to be deprived of)
89. Please **pass** my sincere **condolences on their s** \_\_\_\_ **loss** when you see them at the weekend. (= the death of someone loved)
90. She **felt/ was completely** \_\_\_\_ **a loss** when she bumped into her twin sister she had no idea she had. (= to be puzzled)
91. Being an articulate person, she **is rarely at a loss** \_\_\_\_ **words.** (= tongue-tied, gullible)
92. Advertisers target their promotional Christmas clips at preschool children, as they **are** typically **at a very i** \_\_\_\_\_ **age.** (= to be easily influenced)
93. Our business plan requires so many changes that we may as well **start from s** \_\_\_\_\_. (= from square one)

94. This special blend of tea **combines** the freshness of exotic fruit \_\_\_\_\_ a tangy aroma of Indian spices. (= to connect, put together)
95. My child is insatiable, the only thing that can s \_\_\_\_\_ **his hunger** is a plateful of spaghetti with rich carbonara sauce. (= to satiate)
96. After such an amount of physical effort, it is non-negotiable that you need to q \_\_\_\_\_ **your thirst**. (= to satisfy)
97. **The car** in front suddenly a \_\_\_\_\_ and overtook three cars in a row. (= to speed up)
98. Since he was a child, he **has n** \_\_\_\_\_ **a dream** he would one day reach the summit of Mount Everest. (= to help develop)
99. At the age of three, our little girl started to e \_\_\_\_\_ **one of her favourite fairy tale characters hoping that one day she would grow a fishtail**. (= to imitate)
100. We needed to **eliminate a major d** \_\_\_\_\_ in the system, as it impacted the work of the entire department. (= a problem or fault)





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## TOPIC 4: WORK AND SUCCESS

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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#### A. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX.

*Match the two halves in the columns below to make collocations.*

1. TO DRAW/ MAKE/ INVITE ____	a. QUESTIONS/ THREATS/ RISK
2. TO RAISE/ POSE ____	b. UNDER PRESSURE TO DO SOMETHING
3. TO SINK ____	c. COMPARISON WITH...
4. TO BE/ COME/ PUT SOMEONE ____	d. A STRAIN ON SOMEONE/ SOMETHING
5. TO PUT/ PLACE ____	e. INTO AN ARMCHAIR/ TO THE FLOOR
6. A WAY AROUND/ OUT OF ____	f. EXPLANATION/ FIGURE/ DEDICATION
7. A FULSOME ____	g. LOSS
8. A SALIVA/ BLOOD/ URINE ____	h. A PROBLEM/ A CRISIS/ A DIFFICULTY
9. A SAD/ DRAMATIC/ MAJOR ____	i. GUILT/ DISAPPOINTMENT/ JEALOUSY
10. A STAB OF ____	j. SAMPLE

*Complete the following sentences in with one missing word each, based on the task above.*

1. Goldilocks offered a \_\_\_\_\_ explanation in writing as to why she targeted an innocent ursine family living in a remote cottage in the middle of the forest.
2. What happened to Snow White upon eating the poisoned apple invited an uncanny \_\_\_\_\_ to the story of Sleeping Beauty.
3. The Gingerbread Witch came under \_\_\_\_\_ to make only no-white-sugar, lactose-free, and gluten-free pastry.
4. The Queen of Hearts had a somewhat different definition of a major \_\_\_\_\_ in Wonderland croquet tournaments.
5. It was far too late for the Big Bad Wolf to come up with a \_\_\_\_\_ out of his crisis after he bumped into the lumberjack.

6. Pinocchio developed a psychosomatic condition which \_\_\_\_\_ the risk of his nose growing a little upon any thought of attempting to concoct a story.
7. After Princess Aurora pricked her finger Rumpelstiltskin felt a \_\_\_\_\_ of jealousy as his spinning wheel was no longer the most famous one.
8. The forest police were able to track down the local youngsters who chewed through the back door of the witch's house after they separated ample saliva \_\_\_\_\_ from the icing and lime sprinkles.
9. Later in life, Jack became a renowned scientist whose mission was to prove that magic beanstalks will cause those with more imposing figures to \_\_\_\_\_ to the ground four times more frequently than regular-sized men.
10. It seems the encounter with Tick-Tock the Crocodile might have indeed placed some \_\_\_\_\_ on Captain Hook's psychological wellbeing.

## B. IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES

*Transform the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same and the words given are used in an unmodified form.*

1. Rapunzel designed her own methods of maintaining her hair extensions in good condition in case a random prince appeared in the vicinity.

**(WAYS)**

Having designed her own \_\_\_\_\_ maintaining her hair extensions in good condition, Rapunzel was ready in case a random prince appeared in the vicinity.

2. When Ariel the Mermaid saw Prince Eric for the first time, she had already been speechless.

**(LOSS)**

Ariel the Mermaid had already been \_\_\_\_\_ upon seeing Prince Eric for the first time.

3. Cinderella knew very well that punctuality had always been the most important quality for her Fairy Godmother.

**(FIRST)**

Her Fairy Godmother had always \_\_\_\_\_, which Cinderella knew very well.

4. No other confectionery equalled the selection of Gingerbread Witch's praline buttercream with pecans.

**(SECOND)**

The selection of Gingerbread Witch's praline buttercream with pecans \_\_\_\_\_ no other confectionery.

5. At times, Dorothy wished tapping her heels together could make the green witch disappear not to be found ever again.

**(TRACE)**

There were times when Dorothy wished the green witch would \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ upon tapping her heels together.

### C. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. Dumbo's \_\_\_\_\_ first flight was even more of a challenge as he had suffered from altitude sickness since he was a calf. **PROSPECT**
2. The cannibalistic witch has developed a repulsion towards children and a consequent \_\_\_\_\_ of appetite. **LOSE**
3. All Aladdin wanted for Christmas that year was a \_\_\_\_\_ magic carpet that wouldn't get into turbulence unexpectedly at the height of 100 meters above the ground. **FUNCTION**
4. Had I been given a chance, I would have told Winnie the Pooh that yet another not-so-small helping of wildflower honey every time his tumbly felt rumbly was \_\_\_\_\_. **ADVISE**
5. Grumpy was at an \_\_\_\_\_ age and no purchase would bring him joy, even if the product was specifically targeted at cantankerous middle-aged dwarfs. **IMPRESS**
6. Peter Pan's parents sent him a \_\_\_\_\_ for a newly-opened boarding school based in Neverland, but he still refused to grow up and apply. **PROSPECT**
7. Fauna, Flora, and Merryweather, the three good fairies that nurtured Sleeping Beauty, have been presented with detailed \_\_\_\_\_ on how to bring the girl up, but misplaced it soon after. **ADVISE**
8. CCTV failed to record the moment Humpty Dumpty fell off the wall due to a serious electrical \_\_\_\_\_. **FUNCTION**
9. Pinocchio's dancing skills improved \_\_\_\_\_, but he was still rattling and cracking in the cha-cha. **IMPRESS**
10. Another land far, far away was infamous for several \_\_\_\_\_ families who would abandon their children at the mercy of witches, snow queens, and hairy beasts. **FUNCTION**

## WORD FAMILIES

- advice (n. [u]), adviser/advisor (n. [c]), advisability (n. [u]), advise (v.), (in)advisable (adj.), advisory (adj.), advisedly (adv.)
- (mal)function (n. [c] [u]), (dys)functionality (n. [c] [u]), (mal)function (v.), (un/dys/fully)functional (adj.), (un/dys)functionally (adv.)
- impression (n. [c] [u]), impressionism (n. [u]), impressionist (n. [c]), impressiveness (n. [u]), impress (v.), (un)impressible (adj.), (un)impressive (adj.), impressionistic (adj.), (un)impressed (adj.), impressively (adv.), impressionistically (adv.)
- loser (n. [c]), loss (n. [c] [u]), lose (v.), lost (adj.)
- prospect (n. [c] [u]), prospector (n. [c]), prospectus (n. [c]), prospect (v.), prospective (adj.),

## D. SYNONYMS

*Match words 1-10 with their synonyms a-j.*

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|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. TO PRY ____               | a. WEALTHY, AFFLUENT               |
| 2. TO DUB ____               | b. TO GIVE A GO, TO ATTEMPT        |
| 3. HITHERTO ____             | c. UNTRUE, FALSE                   |
| 4. A THINK TANK ____         | d. TO NAME, TO CALL                |
| 5. (A PERSON) OF MEANS ____  | e. STRESS, DEMANDS                 |
| 6. TO TAKE A STAB AT... ____ | f. TO MEDDLE, TO BE INQUISITIVE    |
| 7. TO QUESTION ____          | g. A SELF-STARTER, AN EAGER BEAVER |
| 8. WITHOUT SUBSTANCE ____    | h. CONSULTANTS, EXPERTS            |
| 9. THE PRESSURES OF ____     | i. UNTIL NOW, SO FAR               |
| 10. A GO-GETTER ____         | j. TO CHALLENGE, TO DOUBT          |

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. TO SKIP OVER        | VS. TO SKIM OVER         |
| 2. TO DELEGATE         | VS. TO COMMISSION        |
| 3. AN ASSISTED SUICIDE | VS. AN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE |
| 4. TO SATISFY          | VS. TO QUENCH            |
| 5. AT NO EXTRA COST    | VS. WHATEVER THE COST    |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, based on the task above.*

1. Having exchanged Daisy for a few magic legumes, Jack thought he might have \_\_\_\_\_ over a few details in the sale agreement.
2. The Genie felt that Aladdin needed him only to \_\_\_\_\_ more and more tasks, and their friendship started to dissolve into thin air.
3. The police of the Kingdom far far away investigated whether the recent spinning wheel case was not, in fact, a case of an \_\_\_\_\_ suicide.
4. After the wild rabbit chase, Alice drank the contents of a few randomly encountered vials to \_\_\_\_\_ her insatiable thirst.
5. The ugly duckling enrolled on an intensive quacking course, as it wanted to fit in, \_\_\_\_\_ the cost.

## F. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AT  
BY  
FROM

IN  
INTO  
ON

OUT  
OVER  
TO

UNDER  
WITH

1. Cinderella came in a marigold-hued carriage drawn by mouse dun horses, which was considered to be second only \_\_\_\_ the Queen's.
2. Once Snow White moved in with the seven tiny men she explained it very clearly that she needs the room with a view and a bathroom for her exclusive use, \_\_\_\_ the first place.
3. As a child, Tom Thumb found himself \_\_\_\_ a great deal of strain as he was the last one in line for the school's basketball team.
4. Signing a temporary contract with the Queen of Hearts you should never skip \_\_\_\_ the section pertaining to the termination of the agreement.
5. Thumbelina's production company made her life story into a film that quickly became a box office hit and will soon be dubbed \_\_\_\_ Thai.
6. At first, it was quite a challenge to locate the predator \_\_\_\_ question, but Big Bad Wolf was eventually tracked down as the little girl he swallowed had her GPS on.
7. \_\_\_\_ comparison to Gingerbread Witch, the Evil Queen promoted a much healthier alternative of a poisonous snack.
8. Tigger's turning to a pork-based diet felt like a genuine stab \_\_\_\_ the back for Piglet.
9. Neverland came to impose a ban \_\_\_\_ excessive trade in pixie dust, which led to contraband activity on the part of the fairies themselves.

10. Ariel must have felt \_\_\_\_ a loss when faced with a chance to strike up a conversation with Prince Eric for the first time as a two-legged woman.
11. Her father tried to pry some more information \_\_\_\_ of Sleeping Beauty on the whereabouts of the spindle that pricked her finger, but she kept dozing off.
12. Prince Charming researched \_\_\_\_\_ the latest female footwear trends to investigate which of the women invited to the ball could have fitted the profile of the target customer for glass slippers.
13. The Wicked Witch of the West might have been under pressure \_\_\_\_ her success-oriented relatives to pursue a career in white magic, which is why she rebelled.
14. Aladdin was elated \_\_\_\_ the launch of his new hybrid-fuelled flying carpet.
15. Snow White started a new fad by combining an overtly ghostly complexion \_\_\_\_ pitch-black bangs.

## PRONUNCIATION

*Study and practise saying the following words out loud.*

**accelerate** /ək'seləreɪt/

**emulate** /'emjələɪt/

**exert** /ɪg'zɜ:t/ (AmEn /ɪg'zɜ:rt/)

**launch** /lɔ:ntʃ/ (AmEn /lɒ:ntʃ/)

**nurture** /'nɜ:tʃə/ (AmEn /'nɜ:rtʃər/)

## FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Discuss the following questions with a partner supporting your answers with **ARGUMENTS, EXPLANATIONS, and/or EXAMPLES.***

- Are occasional dishonest behaviours (e.g. white lies) ever **a justifiable means to an end**? Can they be considered 'legitimate'? Why (not)?
- Studies indicate that, over the last twenty years, people have become more likely to **sink into depression** than ever before. Why do you think that may be?
- Is there anything you wish to achieve **at all costs**? How much would you be willing to sacrifice to obtain it?
- Would you say that **striving for success** in life is a driving force behind the attainment of both one's personal and professional goals? Give examples.
- What are guests expected not to do in your culture to avoid **imposing on** their hosts? Do you know of any such unwritten rules from other cultures?

## TOPIC 4 KEY VOCABULARY SET

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|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. GO-GETTERS   | 39. WITH         | 77. OF             |
| 2. PUT          | 40. BETWEEN      | 78. SAMPLES        |
| 3. SECOND       | 41. AT           | 79. FULSOME        |
| 4. IN           | 42. STABBED      | 80. FULSOMELY      |
| 5. NONE         | 43. OF           | 81. FULSOME        |
| 6. STROVE       | 44. AT           | 82. DUBBED         |
| 7. FOR          | 45. UP           | 83. INTO           |
| 8. COST         | 46. MEANS        | 84. PRY            |
| 9. WHATEVER     | 47. AROUND       | 85. INTO           |
| 10. AT          | 48. MAKE         | 86. OUT            |
| 11. PLACING     | 49. UNDER        | 87. LOSS           |
| 12. STRAIN      | 50. SELF-IMPOSED | 88. MADE           |
| 13. WITH        | 51. ON           | 89. SAD            |
| 14. DOWN        | 52. ON           | 90. AT             |
| 15. MAKE        | 53. IMPOSING     | 91. FOR            |
| 16. UNDER       | 54. IMPOSITION   | 92. IMPRESSIONABLE |
| 17. FROM        | 55. SKIPPED      | 93. SCRATCH        |
| 18. ON          | 56. OVER         | 94. WITH           |
| 19. PRESSURES   | 57. FROM         | 95. SATISFY        |
| 20. PEER        | 58. MEANS        | 96. QUENCH         |
| 21. SIGNIFICANT | 59. WITHIN       | 97. ACCELERATED    |
| 22. SUBSTANCE   | 60. OF           | 98. NURTURED       |
| 23. IN          | 61. TO           | 99. EMULATE        |
| 24. INTO        | 62. SUICIDAL     | 100. DYSFUNCTION   |
| 25. INTO        | 63. ATTEMPTED    |                    |
| 26. TO          | 64. ASSISTED     |                    |
| 27. TRACE       | 65. ADVISORY     |                    |
| 28. QUESTIONED  | 66. ADVISORIES   |                    |
| 29. RAISED      | 67. TANK         |                    |
| 30. ABOUT       | 68. LAUNCH       |                    |
| 31. BEYOND      | 69. AGAINST      |                    |
| 32. IN          | 70. AS           |                    |
| 33. OUT         | 71. CONDUCT      |                    |
| 34. PROSPECTS   | 72. INTO         |                    |
| 35. EVERY       | 73. HITHERTO     |                    |
| 36. IN          | 74. ON           |                    |
| 37. COMPARE     | 75. COMMISSIONED |                    |
| 38. COMPARISON  | 76. ON           |                    |

## VOCABULARY PRACTICE

A.

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|------|-------|
| 1. c | 6. h  |
| 2. a | 7. f  |
| 3. e | 8. j  |
| 4. b | 9. g  |
| 5. d | 10. i |

1. fulsome
2. comparison
3. pressure
4. loss
5. way
6. raised
7. stab
8. samples
9. sink
10. strain

B.

1. ways and means of
2. at a loss for words
3. put punctuality first
4. was second to
5. disappear without trace

C.

1. prospective
2. loss
3. (fully-)functional
4. inadvisable
5. unimpressionable
6. prospectus
7. advisories
8. malfunction
9. impressively
10. dysfunctional

D.

- |      |       |
|------|-------|
| 1. f | 6. b  |
| 2. d | 7. j  |
| 3. i | 8. c  |
| 4. h | 9. e  |
| 5. a | 10. g |

E.

1. **to skip over** (not to say/ read/ deal with something)  
**to skim over** (to read quickly for the gist, to browse)
2. **to delegate** (to assign a task to someone, to give someone responsibility to do a task)  
**to commission** (syn. to authorise, to delegate a task)
3. **an assisted suicide** (helping an ill person to end their life, euthanasia)  
**an attempted suicide** (trying to kill yourself)
4. **to satisfy** (to make someone content by providing what they need)  
**to quench** (to stop yourself from feeling thirsty)
5. **at no extra cost** (with no additional charge)  
**whatever the cost** (no matter how much effort/ money/ risk is involved)

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|--------------|------------------------|
| 1. skipped   | 2. delegate/commission |
| 3. attempted | 4. quench/satisfy      |
|              | 5. whatever            |

F.

- |          |        |          |
|----------|--------|----------|
| 1. to    | 6. in  | 11. out  |
| 2. in    | 7. by  | 12. into |
| 3. under | 8. in  | 13. from |
| 4. over  | 9. on  | 14. at   |
| 5. into  | 10. at | 15. with |



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## TOPIC 5: DEMOGRAPHY

### VOCABULARY SET

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*Complete the following sentences with missing words based on the source text covered in class (<https://tiny.pl/wkfkj>). The first letter and the number of missing letters have been indicated. If no such hints have been provided, fill in the gaps with suitable prepositions.*

*Pay attention to the phrases that have been bolded below.*

1. **P** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **pills** is perhaps the most common way people deal with persistent pain. (= to take many pills at a time)
2. As he **p** \_ \_ \_ \_ **the champagne bottle open**, everybody started cheering and wishing the world a happy new year. (= to open something with a burst)
3. The only thing I need to do today is **pop** \_ \_ \_ **the office** for an hour or two and pack my suitcase. (= to drop in)
4. The baked apple **p** \_ \_ \_ \_ and hot tangy juice came oozing out of the fruit. (= to burst)
5. You can't present to the board every idea that **pops** \_ \_ \_ **your head** without first consulting me. (= to come to mind)
6. Sitting on the white sand, he was looking ahead at how **the sea e** \_ \_ \_ \_ **and flowed** taking small pebbles back and forth with it. (= to undulate)
7. **Her sadness** started to **ebb** \_ \_ \_ as we engaged her in a conversation about the modern art exhibition held in the old courtyard. (= to decrease gradually)
8. The recent economic crisis **r** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **fears of** new businesses facing bankruptcy. (= to increase)
9. Not all of the **questions r** \_ \_ \_ \_ at the press conference were as easy to answer as the PM had assumed. (= to ask)
10. The main aim of the institution is **raising f** \_ \_ \_ \_ **to** provide hospitals with Christmas presents for its youngest oncology patients. (= to collect money)

11. He **was raised single-handedly** \_\_\_\_ his elder sister. (= to bring someone up)
12. Her revolutionary ideas concerning salary reduction for our managerial staff **raised some e** \_\_\_\_\_ at the monthly meeting. (= to surprise)
13. Firing Matt wasn't a well-grounded decision, but **an act of v** \_\_\_\_\_ on the part of his ex-mother-in-law. (= revenge)
14. We came up with a few small yet attainable goals, listed all the crucial steps we needed to take, and, **bit** \_\_\_\_ **bit**, made our precious dreams come true. (= gradually)
15. When we bought our first cottage in the country, it **was falling to b** \_\_\_\_, but today it has become a home. (= to come apart)
16. They only gave me **small bits and p** \_\_\_\_\_ **of** information, from which I gathered that major changes might be soon introduced in the training system. (= small things of various kinds)
17. First, it started **emitting** a rather strange **c** \_\_\_\_\_ **noise** and then it literally exploded. (= endless, ceaseless)
18. Her career is **a c** \_\_\_\_\_ **cycle of** grants, promotions and new posts. (= happening repeatedly, continuing without stopping)
19. A long list of successful endeavours like these **must have i** \_\_\_\_\_ **a lot of confidence**. (= to trigger)
20. Upon arriving home, he found his three-year-old son **in a state of p** \_\_\_\_\_ **over** a pigeon that flew in through the window. (= extreme fright)
21. **Panic** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ the recently discovered strain of the virus is spreading much faster than the disease itself. (= dread, fear)
22. After he was dismissed from his job, he **plunged into the a** \_\_\_\_\_ **of** suffering and self-pity. (= a dangerous situation)
23. Inarguably, there is **a vast abyss** \_\_\_\_ their respective cultures. (= great difference)
24. On page 46, you will find a lot of information about how and why the bills calling for **a c** \_\_\_\_\_ at regular intervals were amended at that time. (= a count of a country's population)
25. Our Italian partners sent us an email message in which they **u** \_\_\_\_\_ **us to** complete a number of forms for the mid-term report. (= to prompt, request)
26. They **are urging** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ participants **the need to** contribute actively to every phase of the training programme. (= to request strongly)
27. I only found enough strength and will-power to finish the marathon because I **was lovingly u** \_\_\_\_\_ **on by** my family and friends. (= to encourage, motivate)

28. In the face of economic crises, *tax b* \_\_\_\_\_ *for local companies* may save a lot of jobs. (= reductions)
29. Quite understandably, our parents *cannot c* \_\_\_\_\_ *of* a career in which you change jobs every 5 years. (= to imagine)
30. Social complaining may *be conceived* \_\_\_\_\_ *as* both *a form of* entertainment and a bonding experience. (= to be understood as)
31. This organization helps couples who have fertility problems and refers them to the best clinics once they've *decided to c* \_\_\_\_\_. (= to produce a child)
32. *The plan was simply i* \_\_\_\_\_ *-c* \_\_\_\_\_ and it can't have been carried out successfully. (= not well thought out)
33. Nervousness can be noticed in candidates who continually *d* \_\_\_\_\_ *their fingers on the table*. (= to tap)
34. My family *have always d* \_\_\_\_\_ *the message home to* my brother and I that it is important for a child to always get their parents' advice but make the decision themselves. (= to explain repeatedly until it is understood)
35. 'You can achieve everything you want' is a very common *message coaches drum* \_\_\_\_\_ people today. (= to drill)
36. The old mansion they decided to buy *was in a d* \_\_\_\_\_ *state* but they managed to convert it into the most luxurious spa I've ever seen. (= to be falling apart)
37. Joanna went to a grand open-air market to *r* \_\_\_\_\_ *her stocks* for the wedding she was catering that week. (= to refill)
38. And so *it c* \_\_\_\_\_ *to pass that* they have never met again, even though they lived in the same neighbourhood for the rest of their lives. (= to happen)
39. The movement aimed to *e* \_\_\_\_\_ *minorities to* have a say in what was happening in the country. (= to grant someone more control or power)
40. What do you think can be done to *e* \_\_\_\_\_ *this disease from* the world once and for all? (= to get rid of completely)
41. It seems in their country Mei is a big fish, as her family *come from the highest e* \_\_\_\_\_ *of society*. (= a rank or level of authority)
42. The country *was in t* \_\_\_\_\_ after the falsified elections. (= confusion, anxiety)
43. She lives in a perfect bliss: after an early breakfast at sunrise, she meditates for an hour and then goes out to the woods *in s* \_\_\_\_\_ *of* wild berries and mushrooms. (= looking for)

44. I don't know how he may generate such **p**\_\_\_\_\_ *amounts of* patience with the children. (= very large, great)
45. They've decided to split up. Dave couldn't understand Lily's needs and *the same applied in r*\_\_\_\_\_. (= vice versa)
46. That single mistake was a tangible threat and could have *put the whole process* \_\_\_\_\_ *reverse*. (= to make something happen in the opposite way)
47. Her mean, aggressive cat, Mr. Huffyhuff, *was a blight* \_\_\_\_\_ *her peace and happiness*. (= a bane)
48. One of his colleagues unintentionally **b**\_\_\_\_\_ *her chances of getting* the promotion to a managerial position. (= to spoil)
49. The number of regulars at the bar **s**\_\_\_\_\_ *to only a few people* as a result of the pandemic. (= to be reduced, decrease)
50. Such Pagan traditions have been with us *for m*\_\_\_\_\_. (= more than a thousand years)
51. People also had plenty of conspiracy theories \_\_\_\_\_ *the turn of the last millennium*. (= a period of a thousand years)
52. There is a lot of **a**\_\_\_\_\_ in the northern part of the country. (= wealth)
53. She is an excellent caretaker with plenty of patience and *a b*\_\_\_\_\_ *smile* on her face. (= kind, friendly, and gentle)
54. We now *feel a bit overburdened* \_\_\_\_\_ requests and doing people all kinds of favours – we need a long holiday. (= overwhelmed, overloaded)
55. Even though they presented an excellent business plan, the company was *a m*\_\_\_\_\_ *success* due to their lack of experience. (= moderate)
56. *The w*\_\_\_\_\_ *age* limit has changed considerably in many European countries. (= the age at which you are neither too young nor too old to work)
57. At the early stages of primary education, children might *develop a deep d*\_\_\_\_\_ *on* their mothers. (= to start to need someone for emotional support)
58. *The r*\_\_\_\_\_ *between* men and women in our cooking courses is 4:10, respectively. (= a relationship between two numbers or amounts)
59. Several financial experts claim that *having a private p*\_\_\_\_\_ *plan* is a good idea to provide a good source extra income. (= to receive a pension from a private institution)
60. He *lived on a basic s*\_\_\_\_\_ *pension* for many years until he started a company at the age of 75. (= to receive a pension from the government)
61. Due to the current situation, the university decided to *r*\_\_\_\_\_ *some of the students* into separate examination rooms. (= to arrange something differently from before)

62. It was primarily his drinking addiction that **forced him** \_\_\_\_ **unemployment**.  
(= to make someone do something they do not want)
63. Once he's started to work on his personal growth, he's been **forcing his lifestyle** \_\_\_\_ everyone else. (= to impose)
64. At the launch of their new restaurant, customers were entering **at an average r \_ \_ \_ of** 15 per hour. (= at a speed of)
65. Deforestation in various regions of the world is **speeding up** the process of erosion \_\_\_\_ **an alarming rate**. (= quickly)
66. **At this r \_ \_ \_** , they will lose all their key customers. (= at this pace)
67. Communication skills and assertiveness are **indispensable a \_ \_ \_ \_ in** candidates for this position. (= advantages)
68. My grandfather **c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** at home and was hospitalised with a broken hip. (= to fall, faint)
69. Mark's unhealthy lifestyle has led to his **collapsing** \_\_\_\_ **a heart attack** at his 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary reception. (= to fall as a result of something)
70. Constant tension in the office **h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_** **a bitter conflict** between two of our colleagues. (= to be a sign of something)
71. **The close bond that forms** \_\_\_\_ twins is stronger than any connection other siblings can ever experience. (= a strong emotional relation)
72. A few hostages were able **to untie their b \_ \_ \_ \_** , roll over towards the back of the room, and escape through the window. (= ties)
73. She couldn't make it to meet a new client, so I **went** \_\_\_\_ **her stead** and presented the new project myself. (= in place of, as a substitute)
74. The **p \_ \_ \_ \_ term for such restlessness in children is Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder**. (= correct, exact)
75. Before **the exam p \_ \_ \_ \_ starts**, I will quickly go through the procedure with you and answer any questions you may have. (= the main part)
76. His presentation was **a very well-argued case** \_\_\_\_ the necessity to pursue further research into all the side effects these new antibiotics may have. (= presenting good arguments)
77. The majority **argued** \_\_\_\_ **raising** taxes on income as a way to alleviate the economic burden. (= to oppose)
78. Scientists have **found i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ proof** that a technologically-advanced ancient civilisation lived in this area long before we ever imagined. (= indisputable)
79. Air conditioning and free car parks are now **standard f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in** most hotels. (= facilities)

80. If you have any suggestions regarding topics that you think should **feature** \_\_\_\_\_ **our linguistics course** this year, let me know by Monday. (= to be included)
81. Her latest **theatrical play features** her own husband \_\_\_\_\_ the King. (= to set someone in a given role)
82. This orchid fertilizer s\_\_\_\_\_ **the growth of** the plants, but only to a limited extent. (= to stimulate, encourage)
83. Pupils **lack any i** \_\_\_\_\_ **to** make new friends if they are constantly being compared and criticised. (= to have no motivation)
84. Experts disagree that money can **provide/create/give an incentive** \_\_\_\_\_ employees to be more devoted to their work. (= to encourage, motivate)
85. Experts have **noticed a strong correlation** \_\_\_\_\_ the quality of sleep and ageing. (= connection)
86. Poor examination results **correlate closely** \_\_\_\_\_ students' learning strategies rather than with their levels of motivation. (= to correspond with)
87. **The GDP (gross d** \_\_\_\_\_ **product)** has fallen considerably as a result of the recent crisis. (= the value of goods produced in a country)
88. This table clearly indicates **the number** of criminal offences **per c** \_\_\_\_\_ in all the neighbouring areas. (= per head)
89. China, India, and the USA are the three most **p** \_\_\_\_\_ **countries** in the world. (= heavily populated)
90. Bicycles and scooters will soon **o** \_\_\_\_\_ cars **as** the most popular form of city transportation. (= to increase and develop more quickly than something else)
91. Out of an impulse, he accelerated to over 120 kph to **o** \_\_\_\_\_ **the driver in front** of us. (= to pass by, to outdo)
92. As he put on his new colour-blindness glasses and could see all shades of blue, red, and yellow, he felt so **overtaken** \_\_\_\_\_ **emotion** that he burst into tears. (= overwhelmed)
93. Reading in his newly-constructed tree house **was by f** \_\_\_\_\_ **the most enjoyable** way to spend a summer day on his grandfather's farm. (= by a great deal)
94. Speaking up is **far and** \_\_\_\_\_ **the best thing** you can do if you want to be seen at the meeting. (= to the highest degree)
95. Delegates **came from far and w** \_\_\_\_\_ to solve one of the most intriguing biological mysteries. (= from many places)
96. I know this company means the world to you, but you'll burn yourself out very quickly if you **keep o** \_\_\_\_\_ **yourself**. (= to try to do more than one is able to)

97. These plants are very demanding and exceptionally *v*\_\_\_\_\_ *to* excessive sunlight exposure. (= susceptible, sensitive)
98. They offered me a helping hand when I *was* \_\_\_\_\_ *my most vulnerable*, for which I will remain forever grateful. (= sensitive, weak)
99. Her excellent credentials and prodigious amounts of self-confidence made her completely *invulnerable* \_\_\_\_\_ *criticism*. (= strong, unaffected by criticism)
100. It's no secret that she is *the d*\_\_\_\_\_ *spouse* – all decisions they make as a couple are in fact Sofia's. (= oppressive)





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## TOPIC 5: DEMOGRAPHY

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE

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#### A. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX

*Match the two halves in the columns below to make collocations.*

1. TO REVERSE ____	a. ONE'S CHANCES/ LIFE
2. TO CORRELATE ____	b. AN INCENTIVE FOR
3. TO PROVIDE/ CREATE/ LACK ____	c. FEARS/ FUNDS/ A QUESTION
4. TO RAISE ____	d. A TREND/ A PROCESS/ DECLINE
5. TO BLIGHT ____	e. STRONGLY/ CLOSELY WITH
6. TAX ____	f. SUCCESS/ AMOUNT/ AMBITIONS
7. WORKING ____	g. SMILE/ AMUSEMENT/ TUMOUR
8. (A) MODEST ____	h. BREAKS/ CUTS/ REFUND
9. (A) PROPER ____	i. AGE/ POPULATION/ HOURS
10. (A) BENIGN ____	j. TERM/ WAY/ MEALS

*Complete the following sentences in with one missing word each, based on the task above.*

1. Dopey knew his reputation might one day \_\_\_\_\_ his chances of becoming the chief miner.
2. Baba Yaga thought very little of labour legislation and made Vasilisa separate poppy seeds from soil well beyond her \_\_\_\_\_ hours.
3. The White Rabbit of Wonderland watched Alice drink his special blend of tea with \_\_\_\_\_ amusement, knowing what may happen as a consequence.
4. Winnie the Pooh's consumption of fireweed honey \_\_\_\_\_ strongly with her ever-increasing sense of satisfaction.
5. Both Cinderella's ugly sisters nurtured rather immodest \_\_\_\_\_ of marrying a genuine prince and becoming his queen one day.
6. Once the Evil Queen spotted the first signs of upper arm flab, it dawned on her that it would require some extra vicious magic to \_\_\_\_\_ the process.

7. Thumbelina figured out that if she kept consuming \_\_\_\_\_ American meals, she would quickly lose the petite quality she became known for.
8. Pinocchio \_\_\_\_\_ an important research question as to whether white lies would stimulate the growth of his nose to a comparable extent.
9. Much to the witch's dismay, white-sugar biscuits covered with rich icing and sprinkles no longer provided any \_\_\_\_\_ for modern children.
10. The new Wonderland policy did not introduce new tax \_\_\_\_\_ on infusions and other hot beverages, which boiled down to a drastic reduction in previously prodigious consumption of tea.

## B. IDIOMS AND FIXED PHRASES

*Transform the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same and the words given are used in an unmodified form.*

1. The Genie was available for whatever came to Aladdin's mind.  
**(POPPED)**  
The Genie was available for whatever \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Emperor's new shocking fashion choice was a translucent robe with silk leaves.  
**(EYEBROWS)**  
A translucent robe with silver leaves, which \_\_\_\_\_, was the Emperor's new fashion choice.
3. Once Fifer Pig's and Fiddler Pig's houses had been completely shattered they opted for their new dwellings to be 3D concrete printed.  
**(BITS)**  
Once Fifer Pig's and Fiddler Pig's houses had \_\_\_\_\_ they opted for their new dwellings to be 3D concrete printed.
4. Baba Yaga's skull lanterns quickly gained popularity as they were incomparable in their charm and usefulness.  
**(AWAY)**  
Being \_\_\_\_\_ charming and useful, Baba Yaga's skull lanterns quickly gained popularity.
5. The March Hare supplanted the White Rabbit as Wonderland's best time keeper due to the latter's tendon infection.  
**(STEAD)**  
Due to a tendon infection, the March Hare went \_\_\_\_\_ as Wonderland's best time keeper.

### C. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. Pinocchio had been a living \_\_\_\_\_ of trustworthiness until his nose outgrew his wildest expectations. **REFUTE**
2. The Sleeping Beauty nodded off and had to be carried off back to her chamber on a \_\_\_\_\_ yet again. **STRETCH**
3. It would have been \_\_\_\_\_ for Ariel the Mermaid to give up on her collection of might-come-in-handies to keep her underwater cave more in the Marie Kondo style. **CONCEIVE**
4. Who could have thought Dopey would take the \_\_\_\_\_ position within the dwarf community one day. **DOMINATE**
5. All dressed up for a party at Eeyore's, Winnie the Pooh didn't want to \_\_\_\_\_ herself with a jarful of honey and gobbled up most of the golden nectar on her way there. **BURDEN**
6. Feeding Tick-Tock the Crocodile with pixie dust turned out to be a rather \_\_\_\_\_ idea, if not completely irrational. **CONCEIVE**
7. Alice obtained \_\_\_\_\_ proof that the White Rabbit suffered from the fear of missing out. **REFUTE**
8. Tom Thumb could not sail the boat himself as it was \_\_\_\_\_ to the point of giving an impression of a missile floating above the level of water. **BURDEN**
9. The truth was that the Princess did not toss and turn that night because of a single pea in her bed, but rather since she had \_\_\_\_\_ a muscle dancing flamenco the other night. **STRETCH**
10. What made the Wizard of Oz deceive everybody in the Emerald City was the toxic relationship he had had with his overtly controlling and \_\_\_\_\_ mother. **DOMINANCE**

## WORD FAMILIES

- conception (n. [c] [u]), contraception (n. [c]), contraceptive (n. [c]), conceive (v.), (in)conceivable (adj.), contraceptive (adj.), ill-conceived (adj.), (in)conceivably (adv.)
- burden (n. [c]), burden (v.), overburdened (adj.), (un)burdened (adj.), underburdened (adj.)
- (ir)refutation (n. [c]), refute (v.), (ir)refutable (adj.), (ir)refutably (adv.)
- stretch (n. [c]), stretcher (n. [c]), stretch (v.), overstretch (v.), stretchy (adj.), overstretching (adj.)
- domination (n. [u]), dominate (v.), domineering (adj.), dominant (adj.), (un)dominated (adj.)

## D. SYNONYMS

*Match words 1-10 with their synonyms a-j.*

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. TO REPLENISH ____    | a. TO UNDULATE, TO COME AND GO      |
| 2. TO POP ____          | b. TO UNDERSTAND, TO THINK UP       |
| 3. AFFLUENCE ____       | c. TO BRING UP, TO NURTURE          |
| 4. A BLIGHT ____        | d. TO BE A SIGN, TO SIGNAL          |
| 5. TO RAISE ____        | e. TO REFILL, TO RESTOCK            |
| 6. ASSETS ____          | f. PROSPERITY, WEALTH               |
| 7. TO CONCEIVE ____     | g. A BANE, A BURDEN                 |
| 8. TO HERALD ____       | h. TO PROVOKE, TO PROMPT            |
| 9. TO EBB AND FLOW ____ | i. ADVANTAGES, BENEFICIAL QUALITIES |
| 10. TO STIMULATE ____   | j. TO BURST, TO GO OFF              |

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

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|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. CONTINUOUS   | VS. CONTINUAL    |
| 2. TO COLLAPSE  | VS. TO FAINT     |
| 3. PER CAPITA   | VS. PER PERSON   |
| 4. RATIO        | VS. PROPORTION   |
| 5. TO ERADICATE | VS. TO ELIMINATE |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, referring to the task above.*

1. Snow White made \_\_\_\_\_ remarks, every now and then, about the need to close the toilet lid in the hope that at least one of her seven flatmates would finally do so.
2. Once Aurora pricked her finger with a spindle, she \_\_\_\_\_ with a booming snore on the marble floor.
3. Neverland once boasted more pixie dust \_\_\_\_\_ than any other enchanted land.
4. Not surprisingly, Wonderland has a very high teaphile-coffeeophile \_\_\_\_\_.
5. A few of the lost boys concluded that the persistent symptoms of the Peter Pan Syndrome they had been suffering from need to be \_\_\_\_\_ promptly and with the help of a certified psychiatrist.

## F. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AT	BETWEEN	OF	TO
ABOUT	IN	ON	UPON
AGAINST	INTO	OVER	WITH

1. Once the Ugly Duckling started a new career path, it began to argue \_\_\_\_ any form of conformity during its coaching seminars and TV appearances.
2. Having tried several growth cookies, Alice concluded there was an abyss \_\_\_\_ the Wonderland's selection and regular confectionery she had tried before.
3. The Gingerbread Witch started to panic \_\_\_\_ the ever-growing price of sugar.
4. Dumbo was exhilarated, as he knew the Introduction to Flying featured \_\_\_\_ the syllabus at the University of Neverland.
5. Winnie the Pooh couldn't conceive \_\_\_\_ the correspondence between the amount of honey consumed and how rumbley her tumbly always felt.
6. Rumpelstiltskin was urged \_\_\_\_ to spend more time out of doors, as his complexion turned a bit earthy and mushy.
7. The entire kingdom was \_\_\_\_ turmoil once the Evil Queen's sense of worth and confidence plummeted over the Magic Mirror's recent revelations.
8. Apart from seasonal allergies, Sneezy was exceptionally vulnerable \_\_\_\_ common colds and violent hiccup seizures.

9. Alice was unaware that one should never drink a shrinking potion immediately before consuming a growth cookie, and the same applies \_\_\_\_ reverse.
10. A bond \_\_\_\_ Thumbelina and the toad's son couldn't have developed due to irreconcilable differences ranging from culinary preferences to attitude towards life as such.
11. Tin Woodman came to the realisation that if he continued running \_\_\_\_ a rate of 50 meters per hour, he would never stand a chance in the Annual Emerald Marathon.
12. The lumberjack was forced \_\_\_\_ bankruptcy once Little Red Riding Hood equipped herself with an axe and took to the tree-cutting business.
13. After a lot of huffing and puffing, Big Bad Wolf collapsed \_\_\_\_ exhaustion and lost his consciousness.
14. If Hansel and Gretel had it drummed \_\_\_\_ them that it is inadvisable to accept invitations for dinner from strangers, their story would have ended up differently.
15. The Witch's chicken leg house was \_\_\_\_ such a decrepit state that she sold it instead of having it renovated.

## PRONUNCIATION

*Study and practise saying the following words out loud.*

abyss /ə'bis/  
 census /'sensəs/  
 decrepit /dɪ'kreɪt/  
 echelon /'eʃələn/ AmEn /'eʃələn/  
 prodigious /prə'dɪdʒəs/

## FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Complete the following questions with missing words. Next, discuss them with a partner supporting your answers with ARGUMENTS, AN EXPLANATION and/or EXAMPLES.*

- Do you think that the amount of stress and uncertainty people experience daily **correlates with** the increasing level of aggression and instances of rage? Why (not)?
- Is it better to be on **a state private** or **a private pension**? Explain what the pros and cons of both are.

- There seems to be a pill for every ailment from sleeplessness and depression to loss of appetite and increased appetite. Do you think it might have contributed to people's habit of **popping pills**?
- Should adult individuals **develop some amount of dependency on** their relatives and friends or become fully independent and self-reliant in life? What are the pros and cons of both approaches?
- Instances of social, religious, cultural, and other types of discrimination across the world are increasing **at an alarming rate**. Why do you think that may be?

## TOPIC 5 KEY VOCABULARY SET

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|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. POPPING        | 39. EMPOWER      | 77. AGAINST        |
| 2. POPPED         | 40. ERADICATE    | 78. IRREFUTABLE    |
| 3. INTO           | 41. ECHELONS     | 79. FEATURES       |
| 4. POPPED         | 42. TURMOIL      | 80. IN             |
| 5. INTO           | 43. SEARCH       | 81. AS             |
| 6. EBBED          | 44. PRODIGIOUS   | 82. STIMULATES     |
| 7. AWAY           | 45. REVERSE      | 83. INCENTIVE      |
| 8. RAISED         | 46. INTO         | 84. FOR            |
| 9. RAISED         | 47. ON           | 85. BETWEEN        |
| 10. FUNDS         | 48. BLIGHTED     | 86. WITH           |
| 11. BY            | 49. SHRUNK       | 87. DOMESTIC       |
| 12. EYEBROWS      | 50. MILLENNIA    | 88. CAPITA         |
| 13. VENGEANCE     | 51. AT           | 89. POPULOUS       |
| 14. BY            | 52. AFFLUENCE    | 90. OVERTAKE       |
| 15. BITS          | 53. BENIGN       | 91. OVERTAKE       |
| 16. PIECES        | 54. WITH         | 92. BY             |
| 17. CONTINUOUS    | 55. MODEST       | 93. FAR            |
| 18. CONTINUAL     | 56. WORKING      | 94. AWAY           |
| 19. INSPIRED      | 57. DEPENDENCY   | 95. WIDE           |
| 20. PANIC         | 58. RATIO        | 96. OVERSTRETCHING |
| 21. OVER/ ABOUT   | 59. PENSION      | 97. VULNERABLE     |
| 22. ABYSS         | 60. STATE        | 98. AT             |
| 23. BETWEEN       | 61. REDISTRIBUTE | 99. TO             |
| 24. CENSUS        | 62. INTO         | 100. DOMINEERING   |
| 25. URGED         | 63. ON           |                    |
| 26. UPON/ ON      | 64. RATE         |                    |
| 27. URGED         | 65. AT           |                    |
| 28. BREAKS        | 66. RATE         |                    |
| 29. CONCEIVE      | 67. ASSETS       |                    |
| 30. OF            | 68. COLLAPSED    |                    |
| 31. CONCEIVE      | 69. WITH         |                    |
| 32. ILL-CONCEIVED | 70. HERALDED     |                    |
| 33. DRUM          | 71. BETWEEN      |                    |
| 34. DRUMMED       | 72. BONDS        |                    |
| 35. INTO          | 73. IN           |                    |
| 36. DECREPIT      | 74. PROPER       |                    |
| 37. REPLENISH     | 75. PROPER       |                    |
| 38. CAME          | 76. FOR          |                    |



## VOCABULARY PRACTICE

A.

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|------|-------|
| 1. d | 6. h  |
| 2. e | 7. i  |
| 3. b | 8. f  |
| 4. c | 9. j  |
| 5. a | 10. g |

1. blight
2. working
3. benign
4. correlated
5. ambitions
6. reverse
7. proper
8. raised
9. incentive
10. cuts

B.

1. popped into Aladdin's head
2. raised some eyebrows
3. had fallen to bits
4. far and away the most
5. in the White Rabbit's stead

C.

1. refutation
2. stretcher
3. inconceivable
4. dominant
5. overburden
6. ill-conceived
7. irrefutable
8. underburdened
9. overstretched
10. domineering

D.

- |      |       |
|------|-------|
| 1. e | 6. i  |
| 2. j | 7. b  |
| 3. f | 8. d  |
| 4. g | 9. a  |
| 5. c | 10. h |

E.

1. **continuous** (continuing, non-stop)  
**continual** (continuing over a long period of time, repeated many times)
2. **to collapse** (to fall down and lose one's consciousness, often as a result of an illness or weakness)  
**to faint** (to pass out, to become unconscious for a short period of time)
3. **per capita** (calculations according to the number of people who live in a given area)  
**per person** (per head)
4. **a ratio** (a relationship between two numbers or amounts)  
**a proportion** (a part of a number or an amount of something)
5. **to eradicate** (to eliminate a problem or a disease completely)  
**to eliminate** (to get rid of something that is unsolicited or not necessary)

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|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. continual         | 2. collapsed             |
| 3. per capita/person | 4. ratio                 |
|                      | 5. eradicated/eliminated |

F.

- |                |             |          |
|----------------|-------------|----------|
| 1. against     | 6. on/upon  | 11. at   |
| 2. between     | 7. in       | 12. into |
| 3. over/ about | 8. to       | 13. with |
| 4. in          | 9. in       | 14. into |
| 5. of          | 10. between | 15. in   |



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## TOPICS 4-5

### VOCABULARY REVISION

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#### A. PREPOSITIONS

*Complete the following sentences with missing prepositions from the box. Some of the prepositions may be used more than once. If more than one answer is possible, include all correct options.*

AT	FROM	ON	WITH
BY	IN	TO	WITHIN
FOR	INTO	UNDER	WITHOUT

1. Big Bad Wolf only went after the Three Little Pigs as poultry, which was \_\_\_\_ his means, no longer satisfied his more refined palate.
2. As the big ball at the castle was \_\_\_\_ way, Cinderella realised she should have cut out carbohydrates from her diet much earlier.
3. Vasilisa had been almost done separating poppy seeds from the soil, when a strange wolf huffed and puffed making her start the work \_\_\_\_ scratch.
4. It suddenly dawned on Ariel the Mermaid that it wasn't worth sacrificing her fishtail \_\_\_\_ the altar of an unsuccessful relationship, in which she had no voice of her own anyway.
5. Pinocchio understood it would not be a piece of cake to put the process of his nose's growth \_\_\_\_ reverse any time soon.
6. Bit \_\_\_\_ bit, Hansel and Gretel came to accept the fact that there will be no supply of the special homemade gingerbread cookies for some time, as the Witch was still in therapy after the oven incident.
7. \_\_\_\_ search of a new dwelling, The Little Old Woman Who Lived in A Shoe came across a nice summer residence in a toeless openwork boot left behind by the beach.
8. Rumpelstiltskin built on his fame as \_\_\_\_ far the best spinner in the vicinity and opened a lucrative weaving business.

9. Swimming in the pool of her own tears, Alice felt she was \_\_\_\_ her most vulnerable.
10. Aladdin slowed down his flying carpet to make way \_\_\_\_ a few stray winged monkeys from the Emerald City.
11. The Princess skipped \_\_\_\_ kissing toads to kissing frogs in the hope her future ex-amphibian husband-to-be will be a bit more slim and fit.
12. Humpty Dumpty could not recall the idea that popped \_\_\_\_ his head a split second before losing his balance.
13. The Queen of Hearts was taken aback when she learned that her reformed beheading proposal for sports other than just cricket met \_\_\_\_ little success.
14. Once his therapeutic sessions came to an end, Peter Pan took a plunge \_\_\_\_ the abyss of adulthood.
15. The lumberjack's suspicions of Big Bad Wolf weren't \_\_\_\_ substance, judging by the big, fat belly the size of two people.
16. When asked about Little Red Riding Hood's whereabouts, Big Bad Wolf felt \_\_\_\_ a loss.
17. Offering Snow White a poisoned apple was yet another means \_\_\_\_ an end for the Evil Queen.
18. Hansel and Gretel conceded in therapy that being left in the forest all alone could have been a sign of many a dysfunction \_\_\_\_ their family.
19. Once Pinocchio realised what bamboozling can do to his looks, he took a stab \_\_\_\_ carving and signed up for an apprenticeship with a local carpenter.
20. What Winnie the Pooh promised was, \_\_\_\_ substance, that she will make a tentative attempt and reducing the amount of excessive honey intake.

## B. PHRASAL VERBS



**Complete the following sentences with correct forms of the missing verbs. Refer to the list above, if necessary.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ on by all the rabbit's friends and relations, Tigger broke the Hundred-Acre Wood record in the high jump for the tenth time in a row. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The Evil Queen endeavoured to please her wicked customers with poisonous apples that made their victims \_\_\_\_\_ into a coma no kiss could end. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ anything out of Ariel, the former mermaid, was futile, which made the relationship with Prince Eric hang by a thread. \_\_\_\_\_
4. A renowned explorer in disguise, Goldilocks \_\_\_\_\_ out important research into oatmeal preferences among ursine customers. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Everybody \_\_\_\_\_ Grumpy's grumpiness down to his personality, but it was his way of dealing with uncomfortable social situations. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Once Peter Pan noticed that the number of lost boys had \_\_\_\_\_ to just a few, a new recruitment campaign had to be launched. \_\_\_\_\_
7. As the Emperor came out to meet his subjects in a brand-new peekaboo gown, the crowd soon \_\_\_\_\_ away. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Pinocchio gave a wooden smile in front of the camera, although Geppetto \_\_\_\_\_ it into the boy that if he wanted a perfect family photo, he should act natural. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Cinderella was growing impatient hearing about all the dos and don'ts from her Fairy Godmother; she'd much rather \_\_\_\_\_ over the details and get down to the fun bit. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Even though Little Red Riding Hood's grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ on a modest pension, she must have been able to put aside enough to be able to buy herself a neat wolf fur coat. \_\_\_\_\_

**Match the sentences above with the following meanings of the phrasal verbs used.**

- a. to conduct
- b. to gradually decrease, reduce
- c. to encourage or support someone
- d. to blame, indicate as a cause
- e. to gradually get into a worse condition
- f. to obtain something from someone with difficulty
- g. to have a sum of money to buy what you need
- h. to be reduced in number or amount
- i. to repeat something to someone until they remember or understand it
- j. to omit something, avoid reading or listening to something

## C. VERB COLLOCATIONS

*Complete the sentences below with appropriate verbs from the box. Remember to use correct grammatical forms of the verbs:*

COMPARE  
DRAW  
DRUM  
DUB  
EXERT

FEATURE  
GO  
HERALD  
IMPOSE  
INSPIRE

LAUNCH  
POP  
RAISE  
REPLENISH  
UNTIE

1. Mother Duck never really \_\_\_\_\_ excessive pressure on the Ugly Duckling to fit in and accepted him for the turkey she thought he was.
2. Dorothy's ruby red slippers \_\_\_\_\_ favourably in style with Cinderella's glass slippers and may soon become more than a passing fad.
3. In his last theatrical performance, Big Bad Wolf \_\_\_\_\_ as a cherub girl roaming the woods in search of a bowl of warm oatmeal and a place to sleep over.
4. Once Ali Baba \_\_\_\_\_ the sesame open, he was already thinking about what he could get for the treasures buried inside.
5. The Emperor's tailor had such a reputation that he \_\_\_\_\_ tremendous amounts of confidence in the unsuspecting ruler.
6. Vasilisa could readily separate poppy seeds from grains of soil, make a square meal for a dozen, and wash Baba Yaga's hosiery, but she \_\_\_\_\_ the line at proofreading her memoirs.
7. Rumpelstiltskin found himself in need of \_\_\_\_\_ his stocks of hay that harvest season due to the economic crisis.
8. Thumbelina may have been petite, but she was also grand enough to single-handedly \_\_\_\_\_ a social campaign raising awareness of how it is to be a wee person in a fairyland.
9. Snow White's decision to go out with the huntsman \_\_\_\_\_ questions as to whether hers would be a happy ending.
10. When the Gingerbread Witch was hospitalised after her unfortunate oven incident, the Evil Queen \_\_\_\_\_ in her stead, offering poisoned apples to local kindergarteners.
11. The moment Cinderella came home after the ball, she \_\_\_\_\_ the bonds of her corset and swore never to doll herself up again like that for any man.
12. The Mad Hatter chose to publish a book about exotic blends of tea which was eventually made into a film and \_\_\_\_\_ into Neverlandish.
13. Goldilocks got the hint that she might be \_\_\_\_\_ on the bear family's unwitting hospitality a tad too much.

14. Grumpy kept listening to Dopey's ludicrous start-up ideas \_\_\_\_\_ his fingers on the table so intensely that he made tiny dents on its wooden surface.
15. Snow Queen's breaking yet another mirror \_\_\_\_\_ more than just the usual seven years of bad luck.

#### D. WORD FORMATION

*Complete the following sentences with words formed from those provided at the end of each sentence. If necessary, refer to the word families box below.*

1. It was only due to \_\_\_\_\_ amount of time Cinderella spent with the prince that made her fail to realise he was such a totally self-obsessed show-off. **SUBSTANCE**
2. Sleeping Beauty was able to regain her perfect figure after a rather inactive patch in her life following a strict, \_\_\_\_\_ fitness regime. **IMPOSE**
3. Closely inspecting a display of photographs hung on the walls, Goldilocks noticed that bodily \_\_\_\_\_ ran in the ursine family. **FULSOME**
4. The Giant might have benefited from keeping the goose that laid golden eggs immensely, but the \_\_\_\_\_ smell it gave off in summer should have at least made him think twice. **POWER**
5. The latest Mad Tea Party turned out to be a rather \_\_\_\_\_ event predominantly attended by Wonderlanders, but also by newcomers from Neverland and the Land of Oz. **POPULATE**
6. Little Red Riding Hood knew nothing could \_\_\_\_\_ her more than a sleek pistol sitting comfortably in her wicker basket. **POWER**
7. Despite his \_\_\_\_\_ posture, Tom Thumb was fairly popular with the ladies. **IMPOSE**
8. The Evil Queen offered next to nothing in her testimony to \_\_\_\_\_ her innocence in the poisoned fruit case. **SUBSTANCE**
9. The Magic Mirror complimented the Queen \_\_\_\_\_ on her sense of style and timeless charm to avoid being asked the Question. **FULSOME**
10. There was Rapunzel – trapped in a tower in a largely \_\_\_\_\_ area in the middle of nowhere, expecting an accidental prince to be passing by. **POPULATE**

## WORD FAMILIES

- fulsomeness (n. [u]), fulsome (adj.), fulsomely (adv.)
- imposition (n. [c] [u]). impose (v.), (un)imposing (adj.), (un)imposed, self-imposed, (un)imposingly
- power (n. [c] [u]), superpower (n. [c]), powerlessness (n. [u]), empowerment (n. [u]), (verb) power (v.), empower (v.), overpower (v.), powerful (adj.), powerless (adj.), overpowering (adj.), powered (adj.), powerfully (adv.), powerlessly (adv.), overpoweringly (adv.)
- population (n. [c, usually singular]), populace (n. [singular]), populate (v.), (un/over/under)populated (adj.), (un)populous (adj.)
- substance (n. [c] [u]), substantiation (n. [u]), substantiate (v.), substantive (adjective) (in)substantial (adj.), insubstantially (adv.)

## E. SAME OR DIFFERENT

*Decide if the following words and phrases convey the same or different meanings. If they are different, explain the difference.*

- |                         |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. THERE IS NO QUESTION | VS. TO BE OUT OF THE QUESTION |
| 2. SECOND TO NONE       | VS. BEYOND/WITHOUT COMPARE    |
| 3. VENGEANCE            | VS. REVENGE                   |
| 4. FAR AND WIDE         | VS. FAR AND AWAY              |
| 5. THE EXAM PROPER      | VS. THE PROPER EXAM           |
| 6. TO RAISE QUESTIONS   | VS. TO POSE QUESTIONS         |
| 7. AT ALL COSTS         | VS. WHATEVER THE COST         |
| 8. TO DUB               | VS. TO TRANSLATE              |
| 9. EMULATE              | VS. DUPLICATE                 |
| 10. PROSPECT            | VS. CHANCE                    |

*Complete the following sentences with one word, referring to the task above.*

1. Cinderella tried to coax her Fairy Godmother into letting her stay at the castle ball until morning, but it was absolutely \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Gingerbread Witch's summer house was \_\_\_\_\_; even her regular, all-year cottage in the forest did not stand a chance.
3. Little Red Riding Hood took \_\_\_\_\_ on Big Bad Wolf spreading rumours about his odd preference for antiquated female sleepwear.
4. Hundreds of eligible princesses from \_\_\_\_\_ arrived at the castle in desperate hope they would be noticed by the prince.
5. Before the \_\_\_\_\_, all the candidates were asked to spin a few stems of wheat into silver, gold, and platinum.



6. The Emperor's new clothes \_\_\_\_\_ some questions about what it took to be in current fashion trends.
7. Cinderella accepted all the rules and conditions, as she really wanted to be there at the castle \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The Evil Queen wrote a handbook on applying various types of poison to fleshy fruits and upon the first subtle signs of success had it \_\_\_\_\_ into several otherworldly languages.
9. Nobody from Wonderland could \_\_\_\_\_ the peculiar soup made by the Duchess's cook.
10. There was absolutely no \_\_\_\_\_ for the Beast's barber to get him all handsome and clean-shaved in time for the arrival of Belle.

## F. COLLOCATION MATCHBOX

*Match the two halves of the phrases below to make collocations.*

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|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. TO MAKE _____    | a. IN/ PILLS/ SOMETHING OPEN       |
| 2. TO COME _____    | b. EXPLANATIONS/ CONDOLENCES       |
| 3. TO OFFER _____   | c. A SUCCESS OF SOMETHING/ A LOSS  |
| 4. TO POP _____     | d. A DREAM/ AMBITIONS/ A CHILD     |
| 5. TO NURTURE _____ | e. TO PASS THAT/ FROM FAR AND WIDE |
| 6. PEER _____       | f. DOMESTIC PRODUCT/ INCOME/ PAY   |
| 7. GROSS _____      | g. PIECES/ BOBS                    |
| 8. BEYOND _____     | h. PANIC/ MIND/ AFFAIRS            |
| 9. A STATE OF _____ | i. QUESTION/ BUDGET/ MEANS         |
| 10. BITS AND _____  | j. PRESSURE/ GROUPS                |

## TOPICS 4-5 KEY VOCABULARY REVISION

A.

1. within
2. under
3. from
4. on
5. into
6. by
7. In
8. by
9. at
10. for
11. from
12. into
13. with
14. into
15. without
16. at
17. to
18. in
19. at
20. in

B.

1. Urged (c)
2. sink (e)
3. Prying (f)
4. carried (a)
5. put (d)
6. sunk (h)
7. ebbed (b)
8. drummed (i)
9. skip (j)
10. lived (g)

C.

1. exerted
2. compare
3. featured
4. popped
5. inspired
6. drew
7. replenishing
8. launch
9. raised
10. went
11. untied
12. dubbed
13. imposing
14. drumming
15. heralded

D.

1. insubstantial
2. self-imposed
3. fulsomeness
4. overpowering
5. populous
6. empower
7. unimposing
8. substantiate
9. fulsomely
10. unpopulated

E.

1. **there is no question** (to be certain)  
**to be out of the question** (to be not allowed, to be not possible)
2. **second to none** (the best)  
**beyond/without compare** (the best of its kind)
3. **vengeance** (an act of retaliation done on someone else's behalf)  
**revenge** (personal retaliation)
4. **far and wide** (relating to many different places)  
**far and away** (by a great amount, by far)
5. **the exam proper** (the main part of the exam)  
**the proper exam** (satisfactory, real, correct)
6. **to raise questions** (to bring up something you are worried or unsure about)  
**to pose questions** (to ask a question during a discussion or at a meeting)
7. **at all costs** (no matter what happens or what is involved)  
**whatever the cost** (syn. no matter what is needed)

8. **to dub** (to change the original speech in a film into another language)  
**to translate** (to change spoken or written language into another)
9. **to emulate** (to attempt to be the same way as someone else)  
**to duplicate** (to make an exact copy of something)
10. **prospect** (an event which is expected to happen in the future)  
**chance** (a possibility, an opportunity)

1. out of the question
2. beyond/ without compare
3. revenge
4. far and wide
5. exam proper
6. raised
7. whatever the cost/ at all costs
8. translated
9. duplicate
10. prospect/ chance

F.

1. c
2. e
3. b
4. a
5. d
6. j
7. f
8. i
9. h
10. g

