

# Problems in English

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[VI] Tài liệu này là 1 bộ sưu tập các bài tập Tiếng Anh chọn lọc từ cơ bản đến nâng cao. Phiên bản mới nhất của tài liệu này được lưu trữ ở link sau: [GitHub/NQBH/hobby/language/english/problem](https://github.com/NQBH/hobby/language/english/problem).

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# 1 Multiple Choice Tests

Choose the best alternative to fill the gap in each of the following sentences.

1. I find the way she keeps playing with her hair really .... A. thrilled. B. irritated. C. thrilling. D. irritating.
2. She was ... to discover that she had won 1st prize. A. excited. B. lucky. C. astonished. D. nervous.
3. You must have left ... when all your exams were over. A. relieved. B. upset. C. irritated. D. cross.
4. *The Silence of the Lambs* is the most ... film I've ever seen. A. terrified. B. terrifying. C. scared. D. excited.
5. I was ... that Tom could come to the party after all. A. irritating. B. nervous. C. furious. D. glad.
6. The manager really wanted Anna to join the company: he believed she would be a valuable ... to his team of sales people. A. addition. B. accumulation. C. supplement. D. appendage.
7. Everything included, the cost of our new living room came to a total of £10,000. A. full. B. great. C. gross. D. grand.
8. When the ship docked at Hamburg, they found a ... in the hold. A. gate-crasher. B. stowaway. C. interloper. D. trespasser.
9. If you know when you're coming back it would be better to buy a ... ticket. A. 1st-class. B. single. C. return. D. 1-way.
10. Cheese & spinach pie is a traditional Greek .... A. cuisine. B. food. C. course. D. dish.
11. How long does it usually take to ... for a domestic flight? A. check in. B. check out. C. check over. D. check on.
12. The brochure stated the hotel was situated ... beside the sea. A. direct. B. right. C. precise. D. exact.
13. Sheila had butterflies in her ... before the interview. A. face. B. heart. C. palms. D. stomach.
14. I hadn't been riding before & could barely ... the horse at 1st. A. get into. B. get out of. C. get on. D. get off.
15. I misread the time on the ticket & we ... the plane. A. caught. B. got on. C. lost. D. missed.
16. Although Vicky looked pretty much the same after all those years, I noticed ... changes which made her look even more beautiful than I remembered. A. subtle. B. sensitive. C. fair. D. joint.
17. If they had been wearing ... they might have survived when their plane crashed into the sea. A. cabins. B. seat-belts. C. life-belts. D. yachts.
18. If you have a minor illness, it's usually better just to let nature take its .... A. course. B. time. C. path. D. way.
19. The scientist wanted to ... himself from the controversy following the failure of the experiment. A. drive. B. space. C. distance. D. lengthen.
20. They're starting their ... by flying to Tokyo. A. travel. B. voyage. C. journey. D. trip.
21. The shop assistant was most ... when I told her that there was no price on the jar of olives. A. helpless. B. unhelpful. C. thoughtful. D. unhelpfully.
22. He may not be good looking but he's 1 of the most ... people I've ever met. A. likely. B. unlikely. C. likable. D. likeness.
23. I don't know why exactly but I suspect him of being .... A. dishonesty. B. dishonest. C. dishonestly. D. honesty.
24. He hired a ... to try to follow her everywhere she went. A. private investigator. B. caretaker. C. lifeguard. D. traffic warden.
25. He runs a very ... business selling spare parts for cars on the Internet. A. profiting. B. profitable. C. profit. D. profitably.
26. The ... in our building often falls asleep at the front desk. A. caretaker. B. stockbroker. C. undertaker. D. bookmaker.
27. He took ... with many of the points she made, claiming they were incorrect. A. exception. B. issue. C. account. D. trouble.
28. The sink is completely blocked so we'll have to get a(n) .... A. miner. B. undertaker. C. surgeon. D. plumber.
29. The organizers ... how many people would be attending the course & there were not enough chairs. a. underestimated. B. overestimated. C. overrated. D. estimated.

30. ... a minute! I can't find my keys. A. Keep on. B. Hold on. C. Go on. D. Carry on.
31. You just never lift a ... to help me – I have to do everything myself! A. shoulder. B. hand. C. finger. D. wrist.
32. Scientist seem to be trying to push the ... of nature to the limit. A. laws. B. codes. C. rules. D. regulations.
33. There was a ... on the door who wouldn't let us into the disco. A. referee. B. lifeguard. C. wrestler. D. bouncer.
34. I won't act in films that are too violent – I ... the line at that. A. paint. B. make. C. draw. D. write.
35. I had lost my glasses in the water & could barely ... the edge of the river. A. notice. B. recognize. C. remark. D. distinguish.
36. If you ... to Berlin, call my friend Peter & say "hello" from me. A. will go. B. won't go. C. go. D. going.
37. She gets 15 per cent ... on every insurance policy she sells. A. salary. B. commission. C. bonus. D. pension.
38. My uncle is thinking of ... next year & spending the rest of his life traveling round the world. A. retiring. B. being made redundant. C. being sacked. D. being resigned.
39. Before the opened the new factory a lot of the young people round here were ... the dole. A. in. B. up. C. at. D. on.
40. She has ... a position as general manager. A. applied. B. applied for. C. solicited. D. asked.
41. I worked all summer but I didn't ... enough to save any money. A. gain. B. win. C. pay. D. earn.
42. In the interview they asked if I had much ... with computers. A. experience. B. experiment. C. experiments. D. experiences.
43. Many governments have tried to ban .... A. syndicates. B. employers. C. trade unions. D. employees.
44. There is a special section of the newspaper entirely devoted to job ... A. advertisements. B. announces. C. propaganda. D. publicity.
45. I look forward to ... from you & receiving your brochure. A. heard. B. hearing. C. hear. D. hears.
46. Are there any squash ... in the area? A. greens. B. pitches. C. rings. D. courts.
47. People sometimes use baseball ... as weapons. A. clubs. B. sticks. C. bats. D. rackets.
48. It doesn't matter which football team you support the ... is always in the wrong. A. linesman. B. referee. C. arbitrator. D. umpire.
49. I think the ... is a bit too high, don't you? A. net. B. ring. C. pitch. D. set.
50. ..., I want to explain why the team has not managed to get into the 1st division. A. At the end. B. In the end. C. Finally. D. Last.
51. I'd like to buy the radio, but I haven't got any money on me at the moment. Could you ... for me for a day or two? A. bring it around. B. lay it in. C. take it in. D. put it on 1 side.
52. "Were you told to get dinner ready?" "No, I did it of my own ..." A. desire. B. accord. C. idea. D. will.
53. Mr. Newrich invited his guests to an expensive restaurant. However, he felt ... at ease. A. sick. B. painful. C. ill. D. unwell.
54. Police blamed a small hooligan ... in the crowd for the violence which occurred. A. constituent. B. element. C. division. D. portion.
55. The police arrested the wrong man mainly because they ... the names they had been given by the witness. A. bewildered. B. merged. C. confused. D. puzzled.
56. The police car raced down the street with the ... blaring. A. siren. B. bell. C. gong. D. alarm.
57. His parents died when he was very young so he was ... by an aunt. A. grown up. B. taken care. C. taken after. D. brought up.
58. I have been eating honey so my fingers are .... A. dirty. B. sticky. C. wet. D. yellow.

59. Mrs. Proper always tells her child not to talk with his mouth .... A. wide. B. open. C. together. D. full.
60. I have always ... my older brother for his courage & honesty. A. taken up. B. taken after. C. looked up to. D. looked after.
61. After the guests had left we were allowed to eat the ... cakes. A. remaining. B. left. C. missed. D. additional.
62. Don't be so ...! He was only joking. A. sensible. B. senseless. C. sensitive. D. insensitive.
63. The conspirators were plotting the ... of the government. A. overthrow. B. disaster. C. demolition. D. catastrophe.
64. When I entered the room, the children were ... over the last orange. A. consulting. B. discussing. C. squabbling. D. participating.
65. My sister had just ... 16. A. completed. B. turned. C. become. D. had.
66. A good way of ... good is keeping it in a fridge. A. enduring. B. extending. C. prolonging. D. preserving.
67. Many Asian countries still rely on rice as the ... food. A. staple. B. capital. C. superior. D. winning.
68. The dish had a very interesting taste as it was ... with lemon. A. spiced. B. pickled. C. seasoned. D. flavored.
69. The sight of so many sweets made the children's mouth .... A. drip. B. water. C. moisten. D. wet.
70. Just think! Next month you'll be ... & it seems like only yesterday you were a baby. A. in your teens. B. in your teenage. B. at your teens. D. teenager.
71. "Another cup of coffee?" – "No, but thanks ...." A. not all all. B. for all. C. all the same. D. you for all.
72. It was very ... of you to lend us your car for the whole week. A. generous. B. ambitious. C. modest. D. thoughtless.
73. We'll have to find someone to ... our plants while we're away on holiday. A. bring up. B. get on. C. grow up. D. look after.
74. I don't think you should be so ... with the children. Watching television for half an hour a day won't do them any harm. A. stubborn. B. strict. C. reliable. D. thoughtful.
75. It was very ... of you to eat the last slice of cake without asking. A. loyal. B. sensitive. C. self-confident. D. naughty.
76. Even very active children often stop playing sport when they .... A. tell off. B. bring up. C. grow up. D. look up.
77. There is some controversy over who is responsible for the ... of penicillin. A. creation. B. discovery. C. invention. D. revolution.
78. I inferred ... his remark that Mrs. Vegetarian doesn't eat meat. A. from. B. of. C. to. D. with.
79. He said he would sue us, but I don't think he'll ... his threat. A. achieve. B. bring about. C. perform. D. carry out.
80. How about a glass of orange juice to ... your thirst? A. quash. B. quench. C. quell. D. quieten.
81. He was arrested for trying to pass ... notes at the bank. A. camouflaged. B. fake. C. counterfeit. D. fraudulent.
82. The safe deposit box ... a high-pitched sound when it was moved. A. ejected. B. excluded. C. expelled. D. emitted.
83. Her chain was made of ... gold, unmixed with any other metal. A. pure. B. dishonest. C. clean. D. right.
84. I haven't been ... Pete lately. A. getting up to. B. getting through to. C. getting on with. D. getting round to.
85. Although it was only ... jewellery, it looked real enough. A. fictional. B. untrue. C. invented. D. imitation.
86. You are late again – please try to be ... in future. A. accurate. B. punctual. C. efficient. D. reliable.
87. After he broke the window, the boy was ... from school. A. exiled. B. excluded. C. extracted. D. expelled.
88. A child's 1st 5 years are the most important as far as learning is .... A. concerned. B. affected. C. hit. D. touched.
89. I don't think they'll be taking ... any more teachers this term because there aren't many students. A. up. B. in. C. on. D. over.
90. Could you speak ... a bit? We can't hear you at the back of the room. A. out. B. loud. C. over. D. up.

91. I'm going to take a couple of days ... next month to help my sister move house. A. over. B. off. C. out. D. up.
92. The police ... off the street where the bomb had gone off. A. cordoned. B. battened. C. fastened. D. shuttered.
93. We all make mistakes; no-one is .... A. fallible. B. infallible. C. mistaken. D. unmistakable.
94. Everyone laughed when he took ... the teacher so well. A. over. B. up. C. off. D. out.
95. He offered me \$500 to break my contract. That's .... A. bribery. B. blackmail. C. compensation. D. reward.
96. It was such a shock to receive a letter like that .... A. in the red. B. out of the blue. C. in the pink. D. over the moon.
97. The hooligan ... the money out of my hand & ran away. A. snatched. B. gripped. C. clutched. D. withdrew.
98. As he was caught in ... of a gun, he was immediately a suspect. A. control. B. possession. C. ownership. D. handling.
99. He is doing a science ... at the University of Edinburgh. A. career. B. certificate. C. title. D. degree.
100. The teacher told us to learn the irregular verbs ... hear. A. to. B. at. C. by. D. in.
101. The conductor ... the boys off for misbehaving on the bus. A. told. B. said. C. shouted. D. cried.
102. The 1st thing he did was to ... his shoelaces & take his shoes off. A. disconnect. B. mislead. C. undo. D. unpack.
103. After considering the case, the judge put the young offender ... for 2 years. A. in charge. B. in control. C. on trial. D. on probation.
104. An IQ test is supposed to measure the ... of your intelligence. A. level. B. extent. C. degree. D. size.
105. She was sent out of the examination room because the examiner caught her .... A. sneaking. B. cheating. C. lying. D. copying.
106. We used to ... all sorts of things when our parents went out. A. get through to. B. get over. C. get up to. D. get on with.
107. I new that something ... was going on as soon as I walked into the room. A. huge. B. odd. C. vast. D. massive.
108. If I don't write you a note to say you have a doctor's appointment, the teacher will think you are playing .... A. truant. B. the fool. C. for time. D. hard to get.
109. I've got so much spare time now I'm thinking of taking ... a new hobby like stamp collecting. A. in. B. off. C. up. D. over.
110. You are not very ... today, Hugh. What's the matter? I've never known you so quiet. A. chattering. B. loud. C. speaking. D. talkative.
111. Rita is not ... of doing this work – she should change her class. A. fit. B. capable. C. possible. D. suitable.
112. It should be ... that students are expected to attend classes regularly. A. marked. B. reminded. C. perceived. D. noted.
113. The traffic policeman let her ... with a warning though she was driving way over the speed limit. A. up. B. off. C. on. D. out.
114. This is an exciting book which ... new ground in educational research. A. breaks. B. reaches. C. scratches. D. turns.
115. The tutorial system at Oxford & Cambridge is the ... of many universities. A. sorrow. B. jealousy. C. regret. D. envy.
116. When the detectives finally trapped him, he had to ... to lying. A. recourse. B. resource. C. resort. D. retort.
117. He was very thrilled when he heard he had ... the exam. A. passed. B. approved. C. failed. D. won.
118. I wish he'd let us make some of the decisions instead of completely taking ... all our meetings. A. in. B. over. C. off. D. up.
119. ... my opinion, students shouldn't have to repeat the year if they fail their exams. A. In. B. At. C. On. D. from.
120. Prof. Rush was speaking so quickly I couldn't ... what he said. A. accept. B. listen. C. catch. D. take.
121. Jane said she could not ... the information given in the lecture. A. accumulate. B. absorb. C. admire. D. listen.

122. Mr. Wellbred went to a school which ... good manners & self-discipline. A. blossomed. B. planted. C. harvested. D. cultivated.
123. The smell of the burnt cabbage was so ... that it spread to every room. A. pervasive. B. effusive. C. extensive. D. diffuse.
124. Suddenly I understood perfectly & everything fell ... place. A. down. B. for. C. into. D. out.
125. Mr. Horrid was a terrible teacher & obviously not ... for teaching. A. cut in. B. cut on. C. cut up. D. cut out.
126. Most of the ... were unimpressed by his latest film. A. reviews. B. criticizing. C. critics. D. comments.
127. It was so embarrassing when Romeo forgot his ... in the second act. A. paper. B. lines. C. part. D. script.
128. I hope the film has a happy .... A. finish. B. end. C. finale. D. ending.
129. It's surprising the performance went so well after only 3 .... A. rehearsals. B. auditions. C. applauses. D. directions.
130. High risk sports have really taken .... A. up. B. off. C. in. D. on.
131. The person ... the orchestra was a young woman in her early 20s. A. composing. B. directing. C. conducting. D. leading.
132. We're always playing tricks on Pete because he takes ages to ... on. A. catch. B. keep. C. pick. D. get.
133. Little Tom did not like his 1st ... at school at all. A. course. B. period. C. presence. D. term.
134. There was a(n) ... against the College's new syllabuses. A. bang. B. outcry. C. scream. D. whist.
135. New students must ... for classes before term begins. A. enrol. B. enter. C. join. D. teach.
136. When you listen to a lecture, it is useful to ... the important points. A. clear. B. put down. C. notify. D. write on.
137. Prof. Silver was a most effective speaker & his audience seemed to ... on his every word. A. catch. B. cling. C. hang. D. hold.
138. My brother found it difficult to learn to write because he is .... A. left-handed. B. right-handed. C. single-handed. D. 2-handed.
139. In writing the account of his summer adventures, Neville chose not to ... his experiences in the order in which they happened. A. compose. B. classify. C. compare. D. arrange.
140. This cheese has gone .... You'll have to throw it away. A. mouldy. B. decayed. C. stale. D. contaminated.
141. The steak looked tender, but it was as tough as .... A. a belt. B. a saddle. C. old boots. D. rubber.
142. Dinner will be served ... but we have time for a drink before then. A. actually. B. currently. C. lately. D. presently.
143. Can you help me work ... the answers to these maths problems? A. in. B. out. C. up. D. off.
144. I can agree with you to a certain ..., Professor, but not entirely. A. pan. B. level. C. extent. D. way.
145. The Examination Board have recently changed the ... for the Diploma in History. A. brochure. B. syllabus. C. programme. D. compendium.
146. Slow down a bit. I can't ... up with you when you walk so fast. A. get. B. hold. C. keep. D. work.
147. The lecturer spoke so fast that I found it hard to take ... what he was saying. A. away. B. up. C. over. D. in.
148. In the examination you may be asked for comments on various ... of a topic. A. angles. B. features. C. aspects. D. qualities.
149. Failing the final exam was a big ... to my hopes. A. band. B. kick. C. hit. D. blow.
150. Sign your name on the ... line. A. dotted. B. broken. C. drawn. D. spotted.
151. We shall have to use that glass as we are a cup .... A. few. B. short. C. minus. D. less.
152. Some language students reach a high ... of competence in communication. A. degree. B. grade. C. level. D. mark.
153. Unfortunately, state schools don't have much in the ... of sports facilities compared to private schools. A. part. B. case. C. means. D. way.

154. Your answers to the examination questions must ... exactly the instructions given below. A. accompany. B. follow. C. conform. D. keep.
155. It is very difficult to ... the exact meaning of an idiom in a foreign language. A. convert. B. transfer. C. exchange. D. convey.
156. On Sunday, Vivian studied for 7 hours .... A. on end. B. at once. C. in full. D. at length.
157. Tom handed in the test & awaited the results .... A. in the same breath. B. out of breath. C. with bated breath. D. under her breath.
158. Don't tell me your name again. It's .... A. off my chest. B. in my mouth. C. at my fingertips. D. on the tip of my tongue.
159. She's had a ... in her left shoulder for a week now. A. sore. B. ache. C. pain. D. hurt.
160. Do you think parents should ... their children from spending too much time online? A. deny. B. refuse. C. disqualify. D. prevent.
161. He criticized her in the meeting & I'm afraid she's really taken it to .... A. heart. B. brain. C. mind. D. chest.
162. He was so badly injured that they had to bring on a ... & carry him off the football pitch. A. bed. B. hammock. C. stretcher. D. bunk.
163. In some countries you don't need a doctor's ... to buy antibiotics. A. recipe. B. prescription. C. receipt. D. note.
164. The nurse took his ... & checked that he was comfortable. A. heat. B. fever. C. temperature. D. thermal.
165. You ... be hungry again. We've just had lunch!
166. Jane is so ... in her work that it would be a pity to disturb her. A. intent. B. attentive. C. consumed. D. absorbed.
167. It suddenly ... on me what he really meant. A. dawned. B. came. C. hit. D. struck.
168. You will need a pen & some paper to ... this problem. It is too difficult to do in your head. A. discover. B. work out. C. realize. D. find out.
169. The little country hotel served them a meal fit for .... A. a king. B. a lord. C. an emperor. D. a queen.
170. Let me ... the bill before we leave this restaurant. A. arrange. B. conclude. C. settle. D. pay up.
171. Would you please ... from smoking while the lecture is in progress? A. refrain. B. keep yourself. C. avoid. D. stop.
172. This course ... no previous knowledge of the subject. A. assembles. B. assumes. C. assigns. D. assures.
173. The students paid ... attention to their distinguished professor. A. respectable. B. respected. C. respectful. D. respective.
174. Mr. Discontent wanted to complain to the waiter but was afraid of making a(n) .... A. act. B. drama. C. play. D. scene.
175. Have you ... for any evening classes next term? A. enrolled. B. engaged. C. inscribed. D. signed.
176. Can you pass me a knife? I want to ... these onions. A. fry. B. roll. C. chop. D. grate.
177. She had to ... her dress because she had lost so much weight. A. shift. B. change. C. loosen. D. alter.
178. Look at that beautiful brooch! I only paid \$3 for it at the sale. It was a real .... A. bargain. B. affair. C. benefit. D. occasion.
179. You'll be ... your money if you buy that hat: you will never wear it. A. giving away. B. wasting. C. saving. D. losing.
180. The cost of the material is in the ... bill for the work. A. included. B. enclosed. C. held. D. combined.
181. If you don't know how to wash that sweater, look at the ... inside the collar. A. badge. B. label. C. notice. D. sign.
182. I don't think I could eat any ..., but I'd like a coffee. A. dessert. B. starter. C. main course. D. second helping.
183. Can you ... the soup while I slice the bread? A. sprinkle. B. whisk. C. roll. D. stir.
184. I find it really hard to walk in shoes with very high .... A. soles. B. heels. C. bottoms. D. supports.

185. Could you go down to the baker's & get me a ... of bread & a couple of jam doughnuts. A. loaf. B. piece. C. lump. D. slice.
186. He was charged with a(n) ... of currency regulations. A. break. B. disrespect. C. breach. D. observance.
187. Our insurance policy offers immediate ... against the risk of burglary, accident or damage by fire. A. cart. B. security. C. relief. D. cover.
188. The man jumped out of the window & committed .... A. suicide. B. homicide. C. murder. D. death.
189. She is always wearing a strange red hat with a long ... in it. A. hair. B. fur. C. feather. D. tail.
190. "How would you like your hair cut, sir?" – "Just a ... please." A. cut. B. trim. C. shave. D. snip.
191. Corporal Lucky was hit by a bullet but he was only ... wounded. A. barely. B. little. C. slightly. D. merely.
192. My sister works on the ... in the local supermarket on Saturday mornings. A. check-through. B. check-up. C. check-in. D. check-out.
193. We had to wait in a ... in the post office for over 10 minutes. A. row. B. line. C. queue. D. file.
194. I lost the receipt & the shop assistant refused to give me a .... A. discount. B. refund. C. guarantee. D. exchange.
195. They said they could order it for me because they didn't have my size in .... A. shop. B. hold. C. stock. D. store.
196. Our local supermarket charges a lot to ... groceries. A. deliver. B. carry. C. bring. D. bear.
197. The accused man was able to prove his innocence at the trial & was .... A. absolved. B. acquitted. C. forgiven. D. pardoned.
198. If the terrorists are not sent to prison, there will be a public .... A. attack. B. onslaught. C. recrimination. D. outcry.
199. The prisoners had spent almost a month digging a ... before the guards discovered it. A. pipe. B. tunnel. C. subway. D. pass.
200. He was thrown into prison & ... of his property. A. confiscated. B. denied. C. removed. D. deprived.
201. Don't take that road. There's always very ... traffic along there. A. heavy. B. strong. C. powerful. D. hard.
202. She's so ... skinned that nothing offends her. A. hard. B. thick. C. strong. D. heavy.
203. This tea is too ... for me. Could you bring me some hot water? A. strong. B. thick. C. hard. D. heavy.
204. The older children used to ... on him in the playground at lunch time. A. get. B. hit. C. pick. D. beat.
205. Put the lid back on the tin so that the biscuits ... crisp & fresh. A. stay. B. bring. C. get. D. become.
206. I'm afraid that the herring we had for supper has given me .... A. sickness. B. indisposition. C. infection. D. indigestion.
207. Miss Diligent did 9 hours' ... studying a day for her exam. A. solid. B. heavy. C. powerful. D. big.
208. It was during my stay in India that I ... taste for very hot curry. A. gained. B. acquired. C. got. D. received.
209. I suppose I ... lent the book to Simon, but I'm almost sure I didn't. A. might. B. could. C. must have. D. might have.
210. You ... that man our phone number. I didn't trust him at all. A. must not have given. B. might not have given. C. should not have given. D. could not have given.
211. The hot weather has made the ... even worse. A. famine. B. drought. C. floods. D. hail.
212. Fortunately only 3 passengers suffered minor .... A. hurts. B. pains. C. injuries. D. damages.
213. The government have declared a state of ... after yesterday's earthquake. A. crisis. B. emergency. C. urgency. D. danger.
214. Scientists are working to find a cure for ... like AIDS. A. ills. B. infirmities. C. diseases. D. complaints.
215. Thousands of ... are fleeing the war in the north. A. emigrants. B. employees. C. escapees. D. refugees.
216. This lime juice needs ... before you can drink it. A. diluting. B. dissolving. C. softening. D. watering.



217. Put the orange ... in the waste basket, not on the floor. A. skin. B. find. C. shell. D. peel.
218. People were injured by ... stones the size of tennis balls. A. sleet. B. gale. C. hail. D. snow.
219. The food they serve here is excellent because they have a fine .... A. cooker. B. chef. C. headwaiter. D. stove.
220. I can't remember Mary's number. I'll have to ... in the phone book. A. look it up. B. look it. C. look for. D. look it out.
221. They arrived so late for the meal, that the food was .... A. dried. B. hard. C. spoilt. D. lost.
222. Don't bring those clothes in off the line yet. They're still a bit .... A. humid. B. mild. C. cool. D. damp.
223. She had just ... the shell of the hard-boiled egg & was starting to peel it. A. burst. B. cracked. C. fractured. D. shattered.
224. A ... of wind blew my hat off. A. puff. B. draft. C. gust. D. breeze.
225. They have closed the center of the city to traffic because of .... A. overpopulation. B. contamination. C. famine. D. pollution.
226. I can get ... on a lot less now that I don't have to pay rent. A. over. B. down. C. by. D. through.
227. I am ... furious with Charlotte. How could she forget our wedding anniversary? A. absolutely. B. extremely. C. very. D. terribly.
228. Her sole ... in the hotel kitchen was peeling potatoes. A. role. B. profession. C. job. D. work.
229. Be careful not to ... the tray too much or the glasses will slide off. A. bend. B. tilt. C. incline. D. twist.
230. Can't I ... you to another piece of cake? A. convince. B. persuade. C. pull. D. tempt.
231. I couldn't open the wine as I didn't have a .... A. corkdriver. B. corkscrew. C. lever. D. screwdriver.
232. We've got 2 cats & they get ... very well together. A. down. B. through. C. on. D. by.
233. I haven't had a chance to read anything apart from the ... in today's paper. A. headings. B. titles. C. captions. D. headlines.
234. How many television ... do they have in your country? A. canals. B. channels. C. ways. D. numbers.
235. I wish the papers weren't always so full of ... about the royal family. A. gossip. B. rumor. C. slander. D. chat.
236. My favorite radio ... is Radio 3. A. canal. B. channel. C. station. D. way.
237. A rude boy ... his tongue out at me. A. put. B. stuck. C. showed. D. took.
238. Do you know what ... Radio 3 is on? A. frequency. B. line. C. dial. D. position.
239. *The Sun* is a newspaper with a ... of over 3 million. A. distribution. B. coverage. C. circulation. D. sales.
240. Can you pass me the ... control? I want to see if my favorite soap has started. A. far. B. removed. C. distant. D. remote.
241. He never really got ... his relationship with Jenny. A. through. B. by. C. over. D. up.
242. Waiting outside the examination room, I trembled with .... A. comprehension. B. apprehension. C. expectation. D. tension.
243. I'm terribly sorry but we haven't got any copies of the book in stock. They sold ... early this morning. A. out. B. up. C. through. D. over.
244. It is ... that students will have doubled their vocabulary in 3 months. A. worry. B. foreseen. C. hope. D. anticipated.
245. I wouldn't eat those gooseberries if I were you, they don't look ... to me. A. ripe. B. ready. C. formed. D. underdone.
246. In a multiple-choice exercise it's sometimes easier to ... the wrong answers before choosing the right one.
247. That fish smells terrible! Throw it in the .... A. bin. B. rubbish. C. sink. D. waste-paper basket.
248. I couldn't get ... to Wendy so I left a message on her answering machine. A. over. B. through. C. by. D. up.
249. I was completely ... out after running so far. A. exhausted. B. run. C. worn. D. rubbed.

250. She is hard-working & efficient . . . , she has had several years' experience of this kind of work. A. As well as. B. not only. C. However. D. Furthermore.
251. Look . . . ! That shelf is about to fall down. A. up. B. out. C. over. D. down.
252. So what have you been getting . . . while I've been away? A. down to. B. away with. C. up to. D. through to.
253. . . . was she very rude to my mother, but she insulted my father too. A. Not only. B. As well as. C. In addition to. D. Furthermore.
254. . . . passing all her examinations, she won a major tennis tournament this month. A. In addition. B. Moreover. C. Not only. D. As well as.
255. Please give me 2 . . . of bread. A. crumbs. B. flakes. C. slices. D. lumps.
256. She . . . her automatic cooker to cook the meat for 7 o'clock. A. set. B. put. C. arranged. D. timed.
257. This knife is terribly . . . . It won't even cut a piece of cheese. A. sharp. B. flat. C. blunt. D. thick.
258. The apple was so . . . that he put some sugar on it. A. bad. B. juicy. C. ripe. D. sour.
259. He rubbed his finger round the . . . of the glass. A. ledge. B. lip. C. rim. D. tip.
260. A food mixer is a very useful . . . to have in the kitchen. A. tool. B. instrument. C. scheme. D. gadget.
261. The refrigerator was . . . with food. A. affluent. B. crammed. C. bloated. D. full.
262. Our new cat is black with white . . . . A. claws. B. hooves. C. wings. D. paws.
263. As the elephant walked along he swung his . . . from side to side. A. beak. B. fin. C. trunk. D. hump.
264. The lion . . . when the keeper tried to make him go back into his cage. A. roared. B. neighed. C. mooed. D. barked.
265. I think it's time you . . . & told him you think things should be changed. A. killed 2 birds with 1 stone. B. put the cat among the pigeons. C. took the bull by the horns. D. got out of the rat race.
266. Why did you . . . & mention the party to Roger? It was supposed to be a surprise. A. let the cat out of the bag. B. put the cat among the pigeons. C. have kittens. D. kill 2 birds with 1 stone.
267. It must be true. I heard it straight from the . . . mouth. A. dog's. B. horse's. C. camel's. D. cat's.
268. I know you're upset about breaking up with Tony but there are plenty more . . . . A. horses in the stable. B. cows in the field. C. tigers in the zoo. D. fish in the sea.
269. Half way up the mountain there was a . . . where climbers could stay over night. A. hut. B. bungalow. C. cottage. D. bed-sit.
270. It took them over an hour to put up their . . . . A. hut. B. tent. C. caravan. D. bungalow.
271. He lives in a tiny . . . up in the mountains. A. suburb. B. city. C. village. D. town.
272. He likes to spend his holidays lying on a beach & she likes to spend hers walking in . . . . A. a country. B. the country. C. country. D. some country.
273. Have you seen the exhibition at that new . . . in the high street? A. stadium. B. theater. C. cathedral. D. gallery.
274. Competition from goods produced with cheaper labor has meant that many . . . have closed. A. markets. B. factories. C. stadiums. D. galleries.
275. The royal wedding was celebrated in the magnificent 16th-century . . . . A. cathedral. B. theater. C. market. D. gallery.
276. The puppy was . . . so much I nearly dropped him. A. sniggering. B. wriggling. C. chuckling. D. giggling.
277. We were . . . that the flight would be delayed for 2 hours. A. invited. B. ordered. C. informed. D. instructed.
278. He managed to . . . the branch of a tree & avoid being swept away by the flood waters. A. grasp. B. clutch. C. hug. D. munch.
279. That man next to me on the bus must have been a . . . . My wallet has gone. A. shoplifter. B. kidnapper. C. hijacker. D. pickpocket.

280. The murder took place in the main street in the middle of the day, but there were no ... A. judges. B. prosecutions. C. witnesses. D. juries.
281. He was ... when he was caught trying to catch a plane to France. A. arrested. B. put on probation. C. executed. D. acquitted.
282. Skilled ... have produced perfect copies of many of the world's famous paintings. A. muggers. B. smugglers. C. rapists. D. forgers.
283. The judge released him on ... but he'll have to appear in court again next week. A. sentence. B. bail. C. punishment. D. fine.
284. We made ... the nearest port when we heard the storm warning. A. out. B. of. C. up. D. for.
285. The judge's ruling ... a wave of protest campaigns across the country. A. instigated. B. launched. C. provoked. D. commenced.
286. Mrs. Baker rolled out the pastry & cut it into pretty ... before baking it. A. shapes. B. pictures. C. measures. D. sizes.
287. If you don't lift that saucepan carefully, it will spill & you may ... yourself. A. cut. B. peel. C. skin. D. scald.
288. I don't like my steak cooked too long. I like it ... A. burnt. B. underdone. C. raw. D. well done.
289. Frozen food should always be ... before it is cooked. A. defrosted. B. dissolved. C. melted. D. softened.
290. When you have cracked the eggs, put the ... in the rubbish bin. A. coverings. B. shells. C. covers. D. skins.
291. She ... the tablecloth carefully & put it away in a drawer. A. bent. B. creased. C. folded. D. pleated.
292. A fat lady sat on my shopping bag in the bus & ... my tomatoes. A. squashed. B. crushed. C. broke. D. squeezed.
293. There was a sharp ... & the plate broke into 2 pieces. A. bang. B. crack. C. crash. D. noise.
294. Can you give me a teaspoon to ... my tea? A. beat. B. spin. C. turn. D. stir.
295. Instead of telling her where he'd really been, he made ... a complicated story. A. out. B. for. C. up. D. of.
296. We'll make ... for lost time if we keep working for a couple more hours. A. out. B. up. C. for. D. of.
297. It's 15 years since Timothy worked in Holland & his Dutch is pretty now ... A. stale. B. scratchy. C. sloppy. D. rusty.
298. The person who ... an examination is supposed to see that nobody tries to cheat. A. dominates. B. governs. C. supervises. D. leads.
299. Add the essence ... until the teaspoonful is beaten into the mixture. A. drop by drop. B. inch by inch. C. leaf by leaf. D. spot by spot.
300. Please don't talk in the ... because there is an examination in the lecture hall. A. promenade. B. lane. C. corridor. D. way.
301. I know you have a good voice & have ambitions to be an opera singer but don't give up your day ... yet! A. job. B. work. C. situation. D. place.
302. I am in the ... as to where Chris was last night. A. shade. B. pink. C. dark. D. black.
303. Breaking his leg dealt a ... to his chance of becoming a professional footballer. A. thump. B. strike. C. hit. D. blow.
304. Jane is a sympathetic listener. She lent me a(n) ... when I lost my job. A. mind. B. ear. C. mouth. D. eye.
305. Let's make a dash for the train now as the rain seems to be ... off. A. reducing. B. slowing. C. easing. D. running.
306. Our firm is so successful because it is at the cutting ... of computer technology. A. limit. B. edge. C. verge. D. fringe.
307. He was ... intensively for 2 weeks before the tennis tournament. A. coached. B. practiced. C. learned. D. taught.
308. Our journey was ... by the icy roads, which forced us to drive very slowly. A. obstructed. B. impeded. C. barred. D. blocked.
309. Before the parachute jump he was carefully ... in safety procedures. A. shown. B. familiarized. C. presented. D. instructed.

310. She ... her daughter to the care of a babysitter for the evening. A. confided. B. consigned. C. entrusted. D. resigned.
311. The engineer ... the machine with a hammer &, miraculously, it roared back to life. A. slapped. B. smacked. C. punched. D. whacked.
312. Fighting among rebel soldiers ... last night & a curfew has now been imposed on the city. A. enhanced. B. intensified. C. heightened. D. aggravated.
313. While other companies collapsed in the economic recession, Cartwright Ltd. ... & share prices rose. A. earned. B. exploited. C. profited. D. gained.
314. Rebecca ... her fiancé across the face during an argument & walked out of the restaurant. A. slapped. B. smashed. C. struck. D. punched.
315. The yearly procession to the temple in honor of the local deity was an important religious ... in that city. A. activity. B. festival. C. fast. D. habit.
316. Although she was able to walk with the aid of crutches, having a broken ankle ... her movements considerably. A. barred. B. blocked. C. intervened. D. hindered.
317. The Oscar winning actress simply ... charm & professionalism in her acceptance speech. A. exuded. B. excluded. C. expunged. D. extricated.
318. After buying an expensive new penthouse Marianna was flat .... A. shattered. B. torn. C. smashed. D. broke.
319. The new political party came to the ... after the general election. A. fore. B. back. C. side. D. front.
320. On the 8th day of the strike the Minister ... fit to make a statement. A. appeared. B. showed. C. looked. D. saw.
321. Harry blew a ... when his holiday was canceled. A. fuse. B. plug. C. switch. D. socket.
322. Despite her poor exam results, Alice put a ... face on the situation. A. tough. B. brave. C. courageous. D. bold.
323. I was thrilled to meet Paul McCartney in the ... when I sat next to him at the theater. A. meat. B. blood. C. flesh. D. vein.
324. I'm very sorry, but these ... are out of stock at the moment. A. wares. B. goods. C. commodities. D. supplies.
325. Each ... of the house must pay his own tax. A. dweller. B. settler. C. resident. D. inhabitant.
326. Once at the skating rink, Ivan was allowed to skate to his heart's .... A. happiness. B. delight. C. content. D. contentment.
327. Floods have completely ... the farmer's crops. A. ruined. B. damaged. C. harmed. D. injured.
328. I ... the notice-board quickly, looking for second-hand cars for sale. A. peered at. B. scanned. C. scrutinized. D. inspected.
329. The farmer makes money by ... pedigree horses. A. bringing up. B. nurturing. C. growing. D. breeding.
330. For months I sat with my binoculars watching a bird ... its young. A. breed. B. rear. C. bring up. D. grow.
331. "He ... my rubber, miss!" shouted the boy. A. swiped. B. ripped off. C. abducted. D. acquired.
332. Many forest-... animals were killed in the fire. A. settling. B. residing. C. inhabiting. D. dwelling.
333. This city has 4 million .... A. residents. B. inhabitants. C. dwellers. D. settlers.
334. During pioneer days a lot of land in the United States was up for .... A. gain. B. promotion. C. grabs. D. taking.
335. This lovely new dress fits like a .... A. glove. B. gauntlet. C. gown. D. treat.
336. Investors have taken ... from the improving economic situation. A. consolation. B. courage. C. heart. D. meaning.
337. We at *Buyrite* throw down the ... to competitors to match us for price, quality, & service. A. gauntlet. B. mitten. C. sword. D. hat.
338. Every time the government meets their demands, the union leaders move the .... A. lamp-posts. B. goalposts. C. bus stops. D. roadblocks.
339. The designer refuses to gild the ..., preferring clean, simple lines for his creations. A. lily. B. flower. C. rose. D. daisy.

340. With fuel in short supply, machinery in the factory slowly ground to a(n) .... A. stop. B. halt. C. pause. D. end.
341. The teacher was adamant & stuck to his ... about the date of the final exam. A. weapons. B. neck. C. thumb. D. guns.
342. David decided that smoking was ruining his health & so gave it up for .... A. good. B. always. C. all. D. once.
343. For busy people in today's society, lifestyle management in gaining .... A. points. B. speed. C. terrain. D. ground.
344. The government is making little ... in its fight to beat inflation. A. forward. B. advance. C. headway. D. improvement.
345. The art teacher gave the children a fee ... in their creative compositions. A. offer. B. gift. C. kick. D. hand.
346. The forensic expert ... the evidence looking for particles of skin. A. scanned. B. glimpsed at. C. scrutinized. D. peered at.
347. My brother is always ... me about my hooked nose. A. teasing. B. pestering. C. getting on at. D. harassing.
348. He managed to ... the flow of blood by tightly bandaging the wound. A. restrain. B. check. C. curb. D. inhibit.
349. We intend this to be a(n) ... project, taking us into the next decade. A. constant. B. incessant. C. steady. D. ongoing.
350. It was only when he had been unemployed for 6 months that Neil's situation hit .... A. base. B. down. C. home. D. back.
351. My father has decided to ... a beard to cover a small scar he has on his chin. A. rear. B. bring up. C. breed. D. grow.
352. My grandmother was a lovely person who ... pleasure from helping others. A. derived. B. gathered. C. deduced. D. collected.
353. You were really ... when you paid \$100 for those shoes. They're not even leather! A. swiped. B. ripped off. C. pinched. D. pilfered.
354. I can't tell you ... the population of Prague, but there's an encyclopedia in the cupboard. A. off-hand. B. in hand. C. at hand. D. on hand.
355. After making several bad business deals the company was losing money hand over .... A. finger. B. wrist. C. fist. D. thumb.
356. Maggie is so moody & unpredictable. She's apt to fly off the ... without any real cause. A. strap. B. handle. C. catch. D. belt.
357. A(n) ... proportion of the population did not vote in the last elections. A. essential. B. fundamental. C. grave. D. significant.
358. When a former secret agent tried to publish his memoirs, the government had certain parts of the book ... A. forbidden. B. prohibited. C. censored. D. disallowed.
359. Benjamin Britten, the composer, is probably most ... for his opera "Peter Grimes". A. conspicuous. B. famous. C. remarkable. D. distinguished.
360. ... scientists from around the world met in London to discuss a revolutionary new drug. A. Noteworthy. B. Elevated. C. Prestigious. D. Eminent.
361. Greg has, to all intents & ..., finished his degree course, with the exception of his final dissertation. A. purposes. B. reasons. C. aims. D. proposals.
362. It was ... justice for Ted to receive a parking fine when he was at the doctor's. A. poetic. B. only. C. rough. D. small.
363. There are more people employed, by & ... in the service sector than in manufacturing nowadays. A. large. B. all. C. by. D. through.
364. We giggled at the sight of Mrs. Brown ... down the road in her 6-inch stiletto heels. A. staggering. B. tottering. C. reeling. D. stumbling.
365. He slammed my hand in the car door &, to add insult to ..., didn't stop to apologize. A. damage. B. harm. C. injury. D. infamy.
366. We were all on a ...-edge until the very end of the Hitchcock film. A. chair. B. knife. C. cliff. D. razor.

367. Those stones have been here since time .... A. immemorable. B. immortal. C. innumerable. D. immemorial.
368. Enjoy your "Sunway" cruise, safe in the ... that everything has been taken care of. A. awareness. B. recognition. C. knowledge. D. fact.
369. This shoe repairer is so quick that he can sole & heel your shoes in a(n) .... A. moment. B. hurry. C. instant. D. jiffy.
370. Sue spent weeks in hospital after being seriously ... in a car crash. A. ruined. B. injured. C. impaired. D. damaged.
371. When she lost her temper, she ... the vase her ex-husband & brought her. A. snapped. B. clipped. C. smashed. D. broke off.
372. My neighbor has threatened to ... over our dispute about property boundaries. A. take legal action. B. take legal aid. C. try me. D. bring me to trial.
373. Mr. Wright is being ... for fraud at the Old Bailey courthouse, this afternoon. A. taken to court. B. charged. C. summoned. D. tried.
374. As long as you have the most ... ingredients for the recipe, you can make do without the other things. A. critical. B. essential. C. crucial. D. vital.
375. The heavy rain lashed down ... throughout the night without letting up. A. continually. B. perpetually. C. continuously. D. eternally.
376. The border guards have been accused of ... refugees. A. pestering. B. getting on at. C. teasing. D. harassing.
377. My young nieces kept ... me to buy them sweets. A. pestering. B. teasing. C. getting on at. D. harassing.
378. I ... a plate when I was washing up, but it can still be used. A. snapped. B. smashed. C. chipped. D. shattered.
379. The windscreen ... into a thousand pieces when the car hit a lamp-post. A. smashed. B. shattered. C. snapped. D. cracked.
380. The optician says you have to wear glasses, like it or ... it. A. jump. B. loathe. C. dislike. D. lump.
381. You will be putting your life on the ... if you take up skydiving. A. line. B. way. C. lane. D. ground.
382. His friends & family left him in the ... when he went bankrupt. A. church. B. lurch. C. end. D. street.
383. I'll reserve ... on Ben Shipley's latest novel until I've read it. A. condemnation. B. thought. C. judgment. D. criticism.
384. Tara was really laying it ... on about her accident at work. A. fine. B. broad. C. thin. D. thick.
385. Were you on the ... when you said you had resigned from work? A. wagon. B. flat. C. level. D. town.
386. Stars of the Hollywood silver screen tended to be larger than .... A. life. B. drama. C. reality. D. ever.
387. Judging from the noise it is making, the washing machine is on its last .... A. gasp. B. legs. C. resort. D. breath.
388. I left the house in a hurry & my bedroom was ... with clothes. A. scattered. B. dispersed. C. strewn. D. sprinkled.
389. Always having had ... feet, Delia is off again, backpacking round India. A. itchy. B. scratchy. C. sore. D. light.
390. The skaters ... gracefully across the ice. A. slid. B. glided. C. slipped. D. skidded.
391. The cat slept peacefully ... in the long grass. A. nestled. B. huddled. C. snuggled. D. cuddled.
392. Mr. Wright ... his vegetable garden carefully. A. attends. B. grows. C. maintains. D. tends.
393. Employees of the company are forbidden to ... information about the secret formula. A. betray. B. divulge. C. portray. D. unveil.
394. The soldier didn't ... his comrades even when he was pressured to do so. A. reveal. B. divulge. C. betray. D. disclose.
395. The removal men ... the heavy piano up the stairs with great difficulty. A. toted. B. shoved. C. thrust. D. heaved.
396. She ... a few clothes into a case & hurried to the airport. A. scattered. B. piled. C. shoved. D. heaved.
397. My fear of wasps ... from the fact that I was severely stung as a child. A. begets. B. stems. C. generates. D. commences.

398. This year's series of open-air plays ... with a performance of "Electra". A. stems. B. originates. C. derives. d. commences.
399. We could hear the monkeys ... long before we reached their cage. A. chatting. B. prattling. C. chattering. D. babbling.
400. Jane ... about the surprise party for Sheila & now the whole idea is ruined. A. blabbed. B. gossiped. C. prattled. D. chatted.
401. I think you ... a nerve when you mentioned Ralph's forthcoming retirement. A. touched. B. had. C. drilled. D. hit.
402. Yes, I saw the last episode of the series, but I'm none the ... about what really happened. A. better. B. surer. C. cleverer. D. wiser.
403. Thousands of refugees are camping at the ... between the 2 countries, hoping to find asylum. A. boundary. B. brim. C. border. D. rim.
404. After 6 months of convalescence in a nursing home, Simon is finally on the .... A. mend. B. top. C. go. D. run.
405. For stamps & coins to be of value, they need to be in mint .... A. state. B. situation. C. condition. D. appearance.
406. The professor looked as if he were ... away in a world of his own. A. yards. B. kilometers. C. streets. D. miles.
407. Dave gave the office party a ... that year. A. miss. B. hit. C. chance. D. break.
408. The cup is full to the ... so be careful when you carry it. A. brim. B. boundary. C. verge. D. border.
409. Young children are often ... to illnesses such as measles. A. liable. B. sensitive. C. susceptible. D. apt.
410. Some people like to ... their neck doing dangerous sports. A. endanger. B. break. C. twist. D. risk.
411. After losing my job, I was on the ... of a nervous breakdown. A. border. B. brim. C. verge. D. bounds.
412. The school playing fields are out of ... while equipment is being set up for the cricket match.
413. Children should keep away from the river ... in case they fall in. A. bounds. B. bank. C. brim. D. border.
414. We're spending our holidays on the ... this summer. A. beach. B. bank. C. coast. D. shore.
415. The old lady ... her bag for fear she might lose it. A. seized. B. grabbed. C. grasped. D. clutched.
416. Isn't packing 3 suitcases for a weekend away going a bit ...? A. overload. B. overhead. C. overboard. D. overskill.
417. In spite of his stammer, Gerald rose to the ... & delivered a fascinating speech. A. top. B. situation. C. bait. D. occasion.
418. "How often do you visit your parents?" "... so often, even though they live some distance away." A. Even. B. Ever. B. Every. D. Never.
419. My puppy was very expensive because he's a special .... A. breed. B. sect. C. tribe. D. caste.
420. "Do you think I should ask Andy?" "I'm sure he'll be only ... willing to help you with the project." A. just. B. too. C. that. D. so.
421. It is possible to ... out of the pension scheme if you do not wish to participate. A. back. B. charge. B. opt. D. break.
422. You say you need new clothes but your wardrobe is full to ... with dresses. A. overfilling. B. overflowing. C. overlaying. D. overstepping.
423. Frank was informed at the ... that the assignment would be no easy matter. A. offset. B. upset. C. reset. D. outset.
424. it will be overstepping the ... if you address the managing director by his 1st name. A. mark. B. line. C. grade. D. limit.
425. I was ... due to a personality clash with my boss. A. resigned. B. sacked. C. retired. D. made redundant.
426. The ... of the failure of the bank resulted in many people losing their life-savings. A. catastrophe. B. problem. C. trouble. D. cause.
427. The play was such a ... that it came off after only 2 nights. A. cataclysm. B. calamity. C. catastrophe. D. disaster.
428. Hundreds of workers have been ... due to financial problems at the factory. A. sacked. B. resigned. C. made redundant. D. retired.

429. The ... in India resembles the class system structure in Britain. A. breed. B. caste. C. tribe. D. sect.
430. Anthropologists have spent years studying the social system of this .... A. breed. B. caste. C. tribe. D. sect.
431. Countries often become ... to promote trade & industry between them. A. allies. B. colleagues. C. acquaintances. D. accomplices.
432. Most people have few friends but many ... who they only see from time to time. A. allies. B. accomplices. C. associates. D. acquaintances.
433. Many people are feeling the ... now that there is an economic recession. A. strain. B. pinch. C. prod. D. pain.
434. Victoria went to great ... to complete a high quality representation. A. efforts. B. torment. C. pains. D. difficulty.
435. Julia's work is not a ... on Natalie's. A. patch. B. spot. C. scratch. D. scrap.
436. Somebody as conceited as Ron needs bringing down a ... or two. A. step. B. notch. C. rung. D. peg.
437. New technology is being ... in at work. A. phased. B. shown. C. installed. D. filtered.
438. The foreman came to the building site to pay the workmen's .... A. fees. B. allowance. C. wages. D. salaries.
439. I have no appetite & I am lethargic. I've been feeling under ... for ages. A. pair. B. threat. C. stress. D. par.
440. The economic situation makes many people unwilling to take the ... & open their own businesses. A. plunge. B. bull. C. initiative. D. opportunity.
441. I don't know how I can ... up the courage to tell him the awful news. A. pick. B. set. C. store. D. pluck.
442. The new soap opera on Channel 3. ... new depths in terms of tastelessness. A. fills. B. reaches. C. plumbs. D. achieves.
443. We'll keep you ... of any further changes in the examination specifications. A. noticed. B. announced. C. mailed. D. posted.
444. Relief workers ... hundreds of crates of second-hand clothing which had been donated. A. revealed. B. unpacked. C. unwrapped. D. unveiled.
445. The Queen was present at the official ... of the statue. A. unveiling. B. unpacking. C. unwrapping. D. revealing.
446. The hut finally fell down, unable to ... days of violent winds & rain. A. put up with. B. withstand. C. support. D. afford.
447. As a single parent, it's difficult for her to ... a family. A. put up with. B. afford. C. support. D. withstand.
448. I phoned the company, who ... me that my goods had been despatched. A. confirmed. B. assured. C. guaranteed. D. reassured.
449. It was extremely ... of you to drive home in that blizzard. A. reckless. B. adventurous. C. impervious. D. instinctive.
450. Please send a reply to the wedding invitation in order to ... your attendance. A. guarantee. B. confirm. C. assure. D. reassure.
451. I really admire the hero of the film. He's so .... A. reckless. B. adventurous. C. foolhardy. D. instinctive.
452. A modern cash register keeps a record of every .... A. contract. B. deal. C. purchaser. D. transaction.
453. Looking after a house, 4 children, a lazy husband & 2 dogs is real .... A. drudgery. B. labor. C. toil. D. grind.
454. The experimental play was only a ... success, which disappointed the playwright. A. local. B. reserved. C. qualified. D. cautious.
455. It takes time to get a financial system up & ... after the introduction of a new currency. A. running. B. proceeding. C. walking. D. going.
456. Life is so full of both good fortune & misfortunes that you have to learn to take the rough with the .... A. tough. B. ready. C. calm. D. smooth.
457. Stephen really lost his ... when his dental appointment was canceled yet again. A. rag. B. voice. C. calm. D. head.
458. In today's competitive world, everyone needs a regular holiday to ... their batteries. A. refill. B. recast. C. recharge. D. rectify.



459. When my new motor kept breaking down, I knew I'd been taken for a ... by the second-hand car salesman. A. drive. B. ride. C. walk. d. stroll.
460. It has been medically proven that a poor diet leads to ... growth. A. controlled. B. tempered. C. curbed. D. stunted.
461. Don't take it as ... that you'll be promoted in your job; other colleagues stand a good chance too. A. read. B. standard. C. fixed. D. word.
462. My husband & I are not rich but we are .... A. wealthy. B. tight. C. comfortable. D. hard-up.
463. Believing that the firm had given him a raw ..., he took his case to an industrial tribunal. A. deal. B. meal. C. apple. D. nerve.
464. It was a hot summer day & ice cream salesmen were doing a ... trade. A. busy. B. roaring. C. bustling. D. lucrative.
465. Bob is so short-tempered; he should try to ... his anger. A. stunt. B. control. C. temper. D. curb.
466. If you ... your demands, they may be accepted by others. A. temper. B. control. C. stunt. D. curb.
467. The teacher told us to ... the poem by the next lesson. A. remember. B. recollect. C. memorize. D. remind.
468. I don't ... her name, as we met only once. A. memorize. B. recollect. C. reminisce. D. remind.
469. Don't expect Alan to buy you a drink. He earns plenty of money but he's very .... A. hard-up. B. wealthy. C. tight. D. comfortable.
470. Could I borrow a few pounds? I'm a bit ... at the moment. A. comfortable. B. wealthy. C. tight. D. hard-up.
471. The audience were in ... as they watched the latest Aykebourne comedy. A. finger. B. place. C. point. D. thumb.
472. Don't mention work to Ray, as it's a sore ... with him at the moment. A. finger. B. place. C. point. D. thumb.
473. The trouble with socializing with colleagues is that they usually end up talking .... A. sense. B. rot. C. back. D. shop.
474. The dog ... under the table when I shouted at him for eating my steak. A. slithered. B. slunk. C. scampered. D. strutted.
475. The opposition will be elected into government at the next election, without a ... of a doubt. A. shadow. B. shade. C. benefit. D. hue.
476. Take your mobile phone with you just to be on the ... side. A. sunny. B. safe. C. straight. D. secure.
477. It's hard to get back into the ... of things after a long holiday. A. pace. B. way. C. rhythm. D. swing.
478. Noisy parties are really not my .... A. scene. B. liking. C. idea. D. preference.
479. I hate the way Tony ... around looking so self-important. A. slithers. B. scampers. C. struts. D. slinks.
480. Rosie the kitten ... playfully around with a ball. A. scampered. B. strutted. C. slithered. D. slunk.
481. A long, green snake ... through the grass & disappeared. A. strutted. B. slithered. C. slunk. D. scampered.
482. She tried to ... Tom's importance to the company in order to gain a promotion for herself. A. reduce. B. dwindle. C. shrink. D. diminish.
483. Due to inflation, my savings have gradually ... to practically nothing. A. dwindled. B. shrank. C. reduced. D. diminished.
484. My new pullover ... to half its previous size when I washed it. A. reduced. B. shrank. C. diminished. D. dwindled.
485. I need to ... my weight by about 10 kilos for health reasons. A. shrink. B. diminish. C. dwindle. D. reduce.
486. I don't think you're suitably ... for this party. A. dressed. B. clad. C. wearing. D. clothed.
487. Jack was disappointed not to be promoted as he was given to ... that the job would be his. A. know. B. realize. C. understand. D. say.
488. The Prime Minister has ... the controversial statement he made about nuclear arms. A. extracted. B. retracted. C. pulled out. D. renounced.
489. The King was forced to ... his right to the throne when he married a divorcee. A. extract. B. pullout. C. retract. D. renounce.

490. The team had to ... of the competition because of injuries. A. renounce. B. extract. C. pull out. D. retract.
491. The text was complicated & therefore very difficult to ... information from. A. extract. B. renounce. C. retract. D. pullout.
492. She ... her finger on a sharp rose thorn. A. stung. B. bit. C. pricked. D. stabbed.
493. The baby was ... by a bee whilst playing in the garden. A. bitten. B. stung. C. pricked. D. stabbed.
494. The film star categorically ... any connection with the scandal. A. refuses. B. revokes. C. rejects. D. denies.
495. Due to his reckless driving his driving license was ... by the court. A. revoked. B. denied. C. refused. D. rejected.
496. Sue begged Tom to help her but he .... A. denied. B. revoked. C. rejected. D. refused.
497. The mountains were ... in thick cloud. A. clothed. B. clothing. C. dressing. D. wearing.
498. That loud heavy metal music from next door is ... me up the wall. A. sending. B. driving. C. bringing. D. pushing.
499. Bright children who are ... on the uptake may get bored easily if they are not stimulated enough at school. A. swift. B. fast. C. finest. D. best.
500. This new model of car is the ... in driving luxury. A. penultimate. B. ultimate. C. quick. D. rapid.
501. Shift work does have its ... sometimes. A. uses. B. conveniences. C. reasons. D. purposes.
502. My husband told me in no ... terms that I would have to economize on household expenses. A. unsure. B. uncertain. C. vague. D. unclear.
503. We had a ... of a time at Jason's party yesterday. A. week. B. period. C. whole. D. whale.
504. In ... did I knock on the huge oak door, for nobody answered. A. vane. B. mane. C. vain. D. vein.
505. Investors were caught ... by the sharp drop in share prices. A. undecided. B. unawares. C. unsuspecting. D. unconscious.
506. They were planning, ... to Hilary, to throw a surprise party for her. A. unaware. B. oblivious. C. unbeknown. D. unknown.
507. The economic situation in the country is going from bad to ... after the stock market crash. A. worse. B. best. C. better. D. worst.
508. Tom always tries to ... perfection in everything he does. A. accomplish. B. attain. C. gain. D. manage.
509. The firm will go bankrupt if it cannot meet its .... A. liabilities. B. duties. C. charges. D. promises.
510. The charity managed to ... a great deal during its most recent project in Africa. A. attain. B. reach. C. gain. D. accomplish.
511. Thank you very much, but I am afraid that, due to the political situation, the President must ... your invitation to tour your country. A. reject. B. renounce. C. snub. D. decline.
512. Peter was heartbroken when Sue ... his offer of marriage so cruelty. A. spurned. B. disclaimed. C. denied. D. renounced.
513. I wasn't ... to see a queue outside the new sports center. A. taken aback. B. astounded. C. amazed. D. surprised.
514. She was a little ... by this strange coincidence. A. astounded. B. amazed. C. taken back. D. flabbergasted.
515. We ... to the manager about the assistant's behavior. A. objected. B. complained. C. criticized. D. nagged.
516. Instead of ... to yourself, why don't you make a formal complaint? A. complaining. B. whining. C. objecting. D. grumbling.
517. The latest advertising ... for facial tissues is a free gift with every purchase. A. scam. B. snare. C. gimmick. D. plot.
518. Jewellery worth over £1 million was ... from a house in Wimbledon last night. A. stolen. B. burgled. C. robbed. D. mugged.
519. Because it was the 1st time he'd been in trouble with the police, he was let ... with a warning. A. down. B. off. C. out. D. away.
520. The whole class will stay here until the person who broke the chair ... up. A. owns. B. confesses. C. tells. D. admits.

521. There will also be ... to moderate winds blowing from the north. A. calm. B. fine. C. thin. D. light.
522. My mother told me that, as a child, I used to ... continually for sweets. A. grumble. B. whine. C. complain. D. pester.
523. You'll need to put more effort ... your work if you want to pass the exam. A. on. B. through. C. into. D. at.
524. The ... ordered the pilot of the plane to fly to Venezuela. A. hijacker. B. kidnapper. C. mugger. D. blackmailer.
525. Tomorrow we can expect to see an end to the ... rain in the region, but it will remain cloudy. A. rough. B. hard. C. strong. D. heavy.
526. Sea levels are expected to ... considerably in the next few decades. A. rise. B. raise. C. arise. D. lift.
527. I was wondering if you could ... me up at your place for the night. A. give. B. live. C. take. D. put.
528. He put his own life at ... in an attempt to save his dying friend. A. danger. B. risk. C. hazard. D. threat.
529. Heavier fines should be imposed on those people who ... litter. A. waste. B. dump. C. throw. D. drop.
530. You only need to put a ... of salt in the mixture, not a whole teaspoonful! A. piece. B. drop. C. pinch. D. little.
531. He was ... an injection in his arm. A. put. B. given. C. had. D. treated.
532. You have very high blood ..., Mr. Woolgar. A. tension. B. infection. C. level. D. pressure.
533. I should like to point out that 2 months have ... since you promised to come & repair my television. A. elapsed. B. expired. C. lapsed. D. transpired.
534. He ... me to do more exercise. A. suggested. B. offered. C. recommended. D. said.
535. I wish you'd get ... of these old books – you never read them any more. A. away. B. out. C. lost. D. rid.
536. My mum's just knitted me a lovely ... sweater. A. high-heeled. B. second-hand. C. long-sleeved. D. ankle-length.
537. ... should not open their exam papers until told to do so by the invigilator. A. Participants. B. Candidates. C. Competitors. D. Takers.
538. Most of the people in the ... were friends or family of the actors & actresses. A. public. B. spectators. C. audience. D. viewers.
539. By the time we ... to the station the train had already left. A. got. B. reached. C. arrived. D. found.
540. These jeans don't ... me any more; they're too tight round the waist. A. suit. B. match. C. fit. D. go with.
541. Do you mind if I ... that track again? I really like it. A. put. B. listen. C. touch. D. play.
542. Johnny Strummer's the ... vocalist & the bass guitarist sings the backing vocals. A. 1st. B. lead. C. front. D. head.
543. The hotel is situated next to an 18-hole gold .... A. course. B. court. C. field. D. pitch.
544. Share prices on the Stock Exchange plunged sharply in the morning but ... slightly in the afternoon. A. regained. B. recovered. C. restored. D. retrieved.
545. I couldn't ... laughing when he fell in the pool with all his clothes on; it was so funny! A. help. B. afford. C. stand. D. give up.
546. The sales assistants are so ...; they spend more time chatting to each other than serving customers. A. helpless. B. unhelpful. C. helping. D. helped.
547. "How dare you!" she screamed, & picking up her bag, she ... of the room. A. made a bolt. B. dashed. C. stormed out. D. sprinted.
548. The device is conveniently small, but ... it isn't particularly easy to use. A. on the other hand. B. on the other side. C. on the contrary. D. in addition.
549. Chris was ... between buying a new house & going on a round-the-world cruise. A. pulled. B. moving. C. torn. D. leaning.
550. She hasn't spoken German for over a year & I think she wants to brush ... a few things. A. out in. B. on with. C. over on. D. up on.

551. Where do you think his new enthusiasm | from? A. springs. B. leaps. C. sources. D. traces.
552. I wish you would stop sitting on the ... & decide whose side you're on. A. wall. B. crossroads. C. fence. D. middle.
553. My brother's ... taller than me. A. bit. B. something. C. more. D. slightly.
554. She's even broken the door! Look, the handle was ... off. A. parted. B. come. C. gone. D. split.
555. A(n) ... attempt by the army was quickly foiled. A. mutiny. B. overthrow. C. overtake. D. coup.
556. Take your umbrella, just in case – it's better to be ... than sorry. A. safe. B. secure. C. sure. D. sound.
557. You can leave the vegetables but eat as ... of the meat as you can. A. most. B. more. C. much. D. many.
558. This research ... the importance of motivating students. A. lightens. B. highlights. C. lights up. D. enlightens.
559. I've won £100 on the Lottery – what a ... of luck! A. touch. B. point. C. stroke. D. patch.
560. It will be easier to wash your muddy trousers if you leave them to ... in water 1st. A. drown. B. bathe. C. moisten. D. soak.
561. It was not until Sue left home that she realized the importance of close family .... A. cords. B. ropes. C. ties. D. strings.
562. Glen was ... of the company's financial problems, otherwise he wouldn't have agreed to take the job with them. A. innocent. B. untrained. C. untaught. D. ignorant.
563. It's funny you should say that. I've just had the ... thought. A. identical. B. like. C. alike. D. similar.
564. "You are not comparing ... with like," said Margaret. A. same. B. like. C. both. D. each.
565. I was ... by officials at the airport, as I was carrying fresh food. They made me throw it all away. A. restrained. B. confined. C. detained. D. impeded.
566. Job seekers are required to visit the ... center at least once a week to be eligible for benefits. A. job. B. unemployment. C. employ. D. work.
567. It's time the government ... a stand against tax evaders & began prosecuting them. A. had. B. got. C. took. D. gave.
568. John's ... to my news was very positive; he really seemed pleased for me. A. answer. B. reply. C. feedback. D. reaction.
569. He ... his bag & ran out of the house. A. caught. B. held. C. grabbed. D. held up.
570. How many times has Venus Williams ... her sister? a. won. B. defeated. C. lost. D. beaten.
571. Some people ran onto the ... after the 2nd goal. A. pitch. B. field. C. court. D. stadium.
572. I enjoy eating hot ... food but it gives me indigestion. A. creamy. B. spicy. C. greasy. D. savory.
573. Helen offered to give me the ... for her delicious pizza. A. recipe. B. instructions. C. receipt. D. prescription.
574. The crowds ... the streets trying to catch sight of their hero. A. flocked. B. overpopulated. C. thronged. D. huddled.
575. I hope that this punishment will ... you a lesson. A. learn. B. teach. C. know. D. give.
576. Because she doesn't behave in a very ... way, people think that she's rather strange. A. usual. B. standard. C. conventional. D. average.
577. Global ... is causing climate changes. A. warming. B. pollution. C. heating. D. destruction.
578. I would love to go to the exhibition with you, but I'm afraid I can't ... the time. A. leave. B. spare. C. save. D. lose.
579. We were alerted to the fire when we saw thick, heavy smoke ... out of the window. A. billowing. B. clouding. C. choking. D. pushing.
580. The ... came on board & inspected all the sailors on the ship. A. ally. B. pacifist. C. private. D. admiral.
581. Now there's only 1 wage coming in, we'll all have to tighten our .... A. waists. B. pockets. C. belts. D. hats.
582. We all wish you luck as you ... on a new career. A. move. B. embark. C. alight. D. board.

583. The Sales Manager spent several months ... up his team. A. drawing. B. sending. C. keeping. building.
584. Many people would find the ... of a human clone a frightening one. A. scene. B. vision. C. sight. D. shape.
585. You really should buy a DVD player. You have to move with the .... A. times. B. time. C. timing. D. timer.
586. Sewage causes a serious health hazard when it is ... directly into rivers & seas, as it is in this country. A. terminated. B. blown. C. flushed. D. eschewed.
587. When I took over the business I got more than I .... A. asked after. B. came in for. C. drew up. D. bargained for.
588. Your son has the ... of a fine musician. A. makings. B. beginnings. C. looks. D. talents.
589. He found that the test was child's .... A. matches. B. games. C. play. D. delight.
590. "I don't believe you! You're having me ...!" said Jack. A. out. B. on. C. over. D. up.
591. I saw that film everyone's been raving .... Maybe I'm missing something, but I thought it was fairly ordinary. A. on. B. for. C. up. D. about.
592. I was in a ... as to what to do. If I told the truth, he would get into trouble, but if I said nothing I would be in more trouble. A. doubt. B. quandary. C. hitch. D. complexity.
593. The indiscriminate use of pesticides has ... many rare species. A. wiped out. B. devastated. C. extincted. D. canceled.
594. The business was set up purely as a front for ... money. A. washing. B. laundering. C. cleaning. D. rinsing.
595. In the afternoons we would go for a ... along the seafront. A. strut. B. stretch. C. stride. D. stroll.
596. "I was in Oxford last weekend & you'll never guess who I bumped ...," he said. A. for. B. into. C. along. D. through.
597. Polynesia. The very name conjures ... images of sun drenched beaches & warm turquoise seas. A. out. B. in. C. over. D. up.
598. Pulling the contract out of the envelope, she ripped it to .... A. smithereens. B. tiny pieces. C. shreds. D. half.
599. Our legs ached as we ... wearily through the snow. A. strutted. B. scampered. C. galloped. D. trudged.
600. Having ... my vote, I left the polling station. A. cast. B. passed. C. placed. D. bid.
601. It's time we bought some new furniture. Look at these chairs. They're ... to pieces. A. battered. B. falling. C. crumbling. D. going.
602. With unemployment at a record level, retraining programmes would ... off in the long run. A. pay. B. go. C. wear. D. pass.
603. James never shows his emotions; no matter what happens, he always keeps a stiff upper .... A. mouth. B. kip. C. head. D. eye.
604. I picked up the letter. She darted forward ... it. "That's mine!" she said. A. gripped. B. wrenched. C. yanked. D. grabbed.
605. Of course you'll pass. You write well & you have an excellent ... of the subject. A. grip. B. seizure. C. grasp. D. embrace.
606. After 3 hours of walking in the hot summer sun, we were ... for a drink. A. sighing. B. gulping. C. panting. D. gasping.
607. It was a(n) ... conversation. We were both talking about different things without realizing it. A. thick. B. unwise. C. absurd. D. foolish.
608. It is people who are of voting age who make up the ... of a country. A. electorate. B. constituency. C. ballot papers. D. electors.
609. It's only a small lamp, so it doesn't ... off much light. A. cast. B. give. C. shed. D. spend.
610. The fire ... for days until the monsoon rains put it out. A. ignited. B. scorched. C. flashed. D. raged.
611. He prefers ... water to tap water. A. canned. B. mineral. C. well. D. fresh.
612. Fresh fruit juice is better for you than ... drinks. A. fuzzy. B. saccharine. C. fizzy. D. bubbly.

613. We had to pay for our food but not for the drinks – they were on the .... A. cafe. B. house. C. compliment. D. consumption.
614. They don't sell tea or coffee. They only sell ... drinks. A. soft. B. sweet. C. plain. D. mild.
615. We're over the ...! Who wouldn't be? We've just won £1 million! A. planet. B. clouds. C. stars. D. moon.
616. You dropped it down the stairs? You're lucky it is still in one ...! A. whole. B. piece. C. entirely. D. unit.
617. Grabbing the twig, he ... it in two. A. snapped. B. crushed. C. crumbled. D. tore.
618. The fumes were so thick that he was ... for breath. A. suffocating. B. inhaling. C. gasping. D. wheezing.
619. We knew the concert was sold out, but we still went to the stadium ... the off-chance that someone might want to sell us their tickets. A. with. B. on. C. by. D. in.
620. The whole country is up in ... about the new tax the government has put on books. A. arms. B. fists. C. anger. D. rage.
621. I couldn't ... him because he spoke far too quickly. A. gather. B. catch. C. see. D. follow.
622. At the beginning of the school year, every teacher is ... a classroom. A. allocated. B. distributed. C. registered. D. sorted.
623. There have been no ... in our department for over a year. A. pensions. B. perks. C. promotions. D. permits.
624. He took the pills & a week later he was as right as .... A. dawn. B. water. C. sunshine. D. rain.
625. I loved him at 1st, but when I got to know him better, I went ... him. A. out of. B. from. C. off. D. ahead of.
626. The new student found the informality at school ... at 1st. A. off-putting. B. foreign. C. mysterious. D. blinding.
627. Marge's knowledge of the subject was only .... A. external. B. superficial. C. outward. D. outer.
628. John is a most ... young man; he can do a lot of different jobs well. A. capable. B. cunning. C. industrious. D. laborious.
629. I can make ... a bed in the spare room if you'd like to stay the night. A. out. B. of. C. for. D. up.
630. Could you stand ... for me & teach my history class tomorrow, Maggie? A. down. B. out. C. in. D. up.
631. Some people are against informality at lectures but, personally, I ... the idea. A. cheer. B. applaud. C. clap. D. shout.
632. My mother had to take private pupils in order to ... her salary as a teacher. A. augment. B. expand. C. complete. D. inflate.
633. Liz deliberately told Andy some lies about his girlfriend, just to make him feel angry & sad. What a ... thing to do! A. tough. B. daft. C. fussy. D. wicked.
634. Deborah is going to take extra lessons to ... what she missed while she was away. A. put up with. B. cut down on. C. catch up on. D. take up with.
635. It was a great ... to study under such an outstanding teacher. A. privilege. B. fortune. C. favor. D. value.
636. We had a terrible row a few years ago & we still haven't made it .... A. out. B. up. C. for. D. of.
637. The examiners often ... extremely difficult questions for the written exams. A. set. B. make. C. create. D. write.
638. A university professor's view is rarely that of the man in the .... A. bus. B. street. C. queue. D. factory.
639. He made ... that it was his own work, but it was easy to see that he had copied it from a book. A. up. B. off. C. out. D. for.
640. I expect all of you to be here 10 minutes before the examination begins, without .... A. fail. B. failure. C. fault. D. miss.
641. After the serious talk with his tutor, Hilary ... himself more conscientiously to his studies. A. engaged. B. converted. C. applied. D. exerted.
642. You completely misunderstood my instructions; you got hold of the wrong end of the .... A. line. B. rope. C. story. D. stick.
643. Margaret is very ... up & thinks she is superior to her classmates. A. fed. B. looked. C. stuck. D. turned.

644. I haven't had a very . . . week. I seem to have done nothing at all. A. economic. B. enthusiastic. C. extensive. D. productive.
645. Mr. Snob . . . that only his club sells real English ale. A. exults. B. crows. C. brags. D. rejoices.
646. It is . . . impossible to find a good educational computer program. A. almost. B. barely. C. hardly. D. merely.
647. Try our delicious 4-course meal, offering you superb . . . for money. A. cost. B. value. C. price. D. worth.
648. At many restaurants a service . . . is included in the bill. A. tip. B. gratuity. C. tax. D. charge.
649. I'm afraid I've only had time to . . . the article you recommended. A. glance. B. scan. C. peruse. D. look.
650. A new restaurant has opened here which specializes in French . . . . A. cuisine. B. cook. C. feeding. D. kitchen.
651. Turn the book round, you've got it . . . . A. upside-down. B. inside out. C. downside up. D. outside in.
652. I can't make anything . . . his writing. A. from. B. in. C. out. D. of.
653. Judging by the . . . Sean has put into his essay, he should do well. A. effort. B. exercise. C. labor. D. toil.
654. Tom was so . . . at maths at school that he became the youngest student ever to be accepted by a college. A. keen. B. hopeful. C. brilliant. D. proud.
655. Mr. Careful kept the . . . round his garden neatly clipped. A. fence. B. flowers. C. plants. D. hedge.
656. I'm relying on you, gentlemen, so please don't . . . . A. allow me off. B. drop me off. C. let me down. D. drop me down.
657. Mary looked as if she hadn't a . . . what Prof. Brown was talking about. A. guess. B. clue. C. point. D. thought.
658. "Get out of my garden, you nasty creatures!" the man shouted, shaking his . . . at the kitchen. A. ear. B. head. C. hand. D. fist.
659. I was startled by the sound of a twig . . . on the window. A. tapping. B. pattering. C. rustling. D. creaking.
660. Someone from the Ministry of Education is coming to . . . our classes. A. control. B. inspect. C. look on. D. overlook.
661. Before joining a course of study you must fill in a long . . . form. a. enrollment. B. induction. C. inscription. D. personal.
662. The new experimental system of enrollment didn't . . . expectations. A. climb up to. B. reach. C. come up to. D. rise to.
663. Can you hold the ladder . . . while I climb p & pick the apples? A. steady. B. rigid. C. solid. D. firm.
664. The main disadvantage to our house is that the only . . . to the garden is through the bathroom. A. passage. B. access. C. doorway. D. communication.
665. It's raining hard now. Let's stand in that shed to . . . . A. dry. B. protect. C. shelter. D. save.
666. He had to . . . the mud off his shoes before coming into the house. A. clear away. B. kick. C. scratch. D. scrape.
667. Some schools have very . . . rules of behavior which must be obeyed. A. solid. B. strict. C. straight. D. strong.
668. In some countries, students are selected . . . to their current level academic attainment.
669. Your progress will be . . . in 3 months' time. A. counted. B. enumerated. C. priced. D. evaluated.
670. Ms. Stickyfinger was charged with . . . the funds of the organization. A. mislaying. B. misappropriating. C. mistaking. D. misplacing.
671. The woman . . . for her husband's life when he was found guilty of murder. A. hid. B. debated. C. disputed. D. pleaded.
672. It was a reasonable . . . to draw in the light of the evidence. A. assessment. B. conclusion. C. interpretation. D. verdict.
673. Vivian is studying to become a member of the medical . . . . A. employment. B. position. C. profession. D. post.
674. The whole story was a . . . of her imagination. A. figment. B. fantasy. C. fabrication. D. figure.
675. The witness . . . the statements made by the accused man. A. agreed. B. confessed. C. corroborated. D. testified.
676. A prominent local figure was . . . as co-respondent in a divorce case. A. accused. B. cited. C. nominated. D. quoted.
677. The community was angered by the . . . punishment given their friend. A. severe. B. austere. C. august. D. vigorous.

678. Those acting for the defendant propose to appeal ... the sentence. A. to. B. for. C. out. D. against.
679. I must buy a new leather ... to go round my suitcase. A. rope. B. strap. C. string. D. thread.
680. There is a bomb in the garden, it could ... at any moment. A. explode. B. crack. C. crash. D. bang.
681. I wish you'd let me speak for myself & not ... the words out of my mouth. A. grab. B. pull. C. take. D. snatch.
682. All ... barristers are expected to study at the Inns of Court. A. hopeful. B. wishful. C. willing. D. prospective.
683. It is a criminal offence to ... the facts. A. express. B. oppress. C. suppress. D. repress.
684. It has been decided to hold a public ... into the cause of the accident. A. inquiry. B. examination. C. autopsy. D. interrogation.
685. You should only make serious accusations like that if they have a sound ... in fact. A. foothold. B. basis. C. framework. D. principle.
686. The suspect is ... to have been in the neighborhood at the time of the crime. A. accused. B. affirmed. C. alleged. D. announced.
687. The ... question in this case is whether the accused had a motive for this crime or not. A. valuable. B. forcible. C. supreme. D. crucial.
688. After a close cross-examination, the barrister was ... his client was telling the truth. A. content. B. satisfied. C. happy. D. glad.
689. Would it be possible to make an early ... to have my hair cut tomorrow? A. appointment. B. arrangement. C. date. D. engagement.
690. The tweed for this suit was ... in Scotland. A. knitted. B. faced. C. threaded. D. woven.
691. His comments ... little or no relation to the facts of the case. A. give. B. bear. C. possess. D. reflect.
692. The police were ... in their examination of the murder site. A. thorough. B. exhausting. C. intense. D. concentrated.
693. This was 1 of the few crimes he didn't .... A. achieve. B. make. C. commit. D. perform.
694. The army ... defeat at the hands of its enemy. A. bore. B. tolerated. C. supported. D. suffered.
695. A sergeant in the army wears 3 ... on his arm. A. scratches. B. captions. C. stripes. D. medals.
696. Making colors vanish is 1 of my machine's ... features. A. certain. B. unique. C. solitary. D. only.
697. The encouraging news enabled the troops to go on with ... hope. A. renewed. B. recurrent. C. novel. D. renovated.
698. She tied her ... round her head to protect her hair from the rain. A. belt. B. scarf. C. glove. D. umbrella.
699. She bought some green shoes to ... her green dress & handbag. A. equal. B. mate. C. match. D. pair.
700. She often wears a ... hat to protect her head when the sun is very hot. A. felt. B. fur. C. top. D. straw.
701. A feeling of tiredness almost ... the soldier on duty & he had to struggle hard to keep awake. A. conquered. B. defeated. C. overcame. D. put out.
702. I was informed by the police constable that he would be forced to take me into .... A. custody. B. confinement. C. detection. D. guardianship.
703. You are surely not suggesting that these ... young children could have planned such an evil deed. A. lovely. B. innocent. C. natural. D. pure.
704. Sergeant Proud can hardly ... having to accept orders from the colonel who is much younger than himself. A. resist. B. mind. C. bear. D. suffer.
705. Your shoes are a(n) ...! You haven't cleaned them for weeks. A. accident. B. disgrace. C. blow. D. shock.
706. Her shoes were so old that her ... were sticking out of them. A. fingers. B. thumbs. C. toes. D. tips.
707. If I could ... these shoes a little, they would be much more comfortable. A. expand. B. stretch. C. increase. D. grow.



708. The washing is not quite dry, it needs .... A. airing. B. heating. C. rinsing. D. warming.
709. Unless you pack your trousers more carefully, they will get .... A. folded. B. creased. C. spoilt. D. wrinkled.
710. I gave Mary a black silk scarf with pink .... A. balls. B. marks. C. stains. D. spots.
711. You should iron out the ... in that dress. A. creases. B. crumples. C. folds. D. wrinkles.
712. When it is very hot, you may ... the top button of your shirt.
713. His jeans were so tight, they ... when he sat down. A. broke. B. cracked. C. split. D. snapped.
714. My wife has excellence ... in clothes. A. taste. B. flavor. C. gusto. D. choice.
715. Why don't you wear a(n) ... when you do the washing-up? A. towel. B. cloth. C. duster. D. apron.
716. My brother is always wearing the same ... shirt. A. lined. B. spotted. C. striped. D. tie.
717. The boxer in the dark ... is sure to win. He's much better than the other one. A. costume. B. pants. C. trousers. D. trunks.
718. Those new dresses may be striking but that sort of ... does not suit everyone. A. fashion. B. form. C. model. D. mood.
719. Come here! You've got a ... of cotton on your coat. I'll take it off. A. cord. B. fibre. C. string. D. thread.
720. Wearing odd socks would be classed as ... behavior. A. erotic. B. ecstatic. C. eccentric. D. exotic.
721. Mr. Smith arrived wearing a suit, but he put on his ... before going into the workshop. A. underclothes. B. overcoat. C. overwork. D. overalls.
722. He turned up his ... to protect his neck from the cold wind. A. cap. B. collar. C. scarf. D. sleeve.
723. The girl's dress was the 1st thing that ... him to her. A. attracted. B. fetched. C. lured. D. tempted.
724. Hearing a knock at the front door, the woman threw a(n) ... over her pyjamas & went downstairs to open the door. A. bra. B. nightdress. C. evening dress. D. dressing-gown.
725. I'm the only one at this party in a long dress – I feel quite out of .... A. order. B. practice. C. place. D. turn.
726. He couldn't find two that matched, so he was forced to wear ... socks. A. odd. B. mixed. C. uneven. D. unlike.
727. It is a good idea to be ... dressed when you go for an interview. A. boldly. B. clearly. C. smartly. D. finely.
728. There's a fantastic ... from the top of the Empire State Building! A. appearance. B. view. C. sight. D. look.
729. We usually do go by train, even though the car ... is a lot quicker. A. travel. B. voyage. C. trip. D. journey.
730. I'm going to ask for directions because I think we've ... our way. A. missed. B. lost. C. misplaced. D. mistaken.
731. 3 people were captured at the ... today trying to get into the country. A. line. B. equator. C. border. D. edge.
732. Once we get to the hotel, let's just ... quickly & then do a bit of sightseeing. A. set down. B. check in. C. make up. D. turn up.
733. Passengers requiring a special meal during the flight should inform the airline in .... A. advance. B. ahead. C. front. D. forward.
734. The ... in the stadium all cheered the athletes. A. viewers. B. spectators. C. witnesses. D. onlookers.
735. I got a new baseball ... yesterday. A. stick. B. club. C. racket. D. bat.
736. After a hard match. United managed to ... with City, 1–1. A. draw. B. equal. C. exact. D. score.
737. In this game, the players ... it in turns to throw the dice. A. have. B. do. C. make. D. take.
738. The police asked to see the man's driving .... A. degree. B. certificate. C. licence. D. pass.
739. Just ask them if you can play & I'm sure they'll let you .... A. take up. B. join in. C. go off. D. take to.
740. Everyone expects Johnson to ... Smith in today's final. A. win. B. score. C. beat. D. champion.

741. The brochure says that the hotel has a great ... of the sea. A. appearance. B. view. C. look. D. sight.
742. I don't think people should be allowed to perform experiments ... animals. A. for. B. over. C. to. D. on.
743. Sending text ... from your mobile is a great way to keep in touch with friends. A. letters. B. compositions. C. messages. D. notes.
744. Let's face ... – we are destroying the environment & we need to do something now. A. facts. B. truth. C. things. D. information.
745. My dad's really angry with my mum because she was caught ... last week when she was driving to work. A. running. B. accelerating. C. speeding. D. chasing.
746. Researchers have ... to the conclusion that your personality is affected by your genes. A. got. B. come. C. reached. D. arrived.
747. It's amazing that creatures survive ... the bottom of the ocean. A. in. B. by. C. to. D. at.
748. Fox Talbot ... the 1st photograph in 1835. A. took. B. did. C. drew. D. gave.
749. Do you mind if I just ... a quick phone call from here? A. do. B. take. C. have. D. make.
750. Many lives were saved ... the introduction of antibiotics. A. with. B. at. C. into. D. in.
751. The ... of the nuclear accident is still unknown. A. reason. B. base. C. cause. D. motive.
752. My father works at the university, doing research ... weather control. A. to. B. on. C. of. D. from.
753. The telescope will photograph distant galaxies, ... an attempt to understand the universe. A. on. B. for. C. in. D. with.
754. Do you know who ... the fact that sound travels in waves? A. discovered. B. developed. C. invented. D. found.
755. I'm thinking of getting a fax .... A. motor. B. engine. C. machine. D. instrument.
756. The ... of the outbreak of the disease is still unknown. A. aim. B. reason. C. motive. D. cause.
757. 10 million text messages are sent on ... every minute. A. normal. B. average. C. general. D. common.
758. Once they've finished the extension to the ..., there'll be room for them to take on a lot more workers. A. factory. B. trade. C. industry. D. manufacturing.
759. Shannen doesn't dye her hair; it's ... blonde. A. physically. B. organically. C. logically. D. naturally.
760. Watch ... for words like "so-called" in articles as they express the writer's bias. A. about. B. out. C. over. D. around.
761. They ... a description of the robber on *Crime Time* & it sounded like you! A. made. B. told. C. gave. D. said.
762. I've ... it in at the mains but it still doesn't seem to work. A. worked. B. plugged. C. narrowed. D. turned.
763. It's not always easy to ... the difference between fact & opinion. A. make. B. do. C. say. D. tell.
764. The debate will ... place tonight. A. be. B. have. C. take. D. make.
765. In my ..., freedom of the press must be maintained. A. mind. B. thought. C. sight. D. view.
766. Media mogul Ronald Morduck has ... control of another tabloid. A. made. B. taken. C. given. D. found.
767. J. K. Rowling has ... an enormous influence on children's literature. A. had. B. given. C. done. D. set.
768. I could spend hours ... the Internet! A. swimming. B. diving. C. sailing. D. surfing.
769. They said ... the news that the price of petrol is going up again. A. from. B. on. C. in. D. at.
770. They were ... out free tickets to the concert to everyone in the shopping center. A. handing. B. holding. C. carrying. D. bringing.
771. We had the volume turned down, so I couldn't make ... what they were talking about. A. up. B. in. C. out. D. off.
772. I saw the interview while I was ... through a magazine at the hairdresser's. A. flicking. B. clicking. C. picking. D. ticking.

773. Why did you have to bring that subject ... at dinner? A. off. B. out. C. over. D. up.
774. People can become very ... when they are stuck in traffic for a long time. A. nervous. B. stressful. C. bad-tempered. D. pressed.
775. The tabloids completely ... that story about Bruce Willis. It's not true at all! A. made up. B. filled in. C. stood out. D. turned over.
776. The issue ... question is more complex than you think. A. from. B. at. C. on. D. in.
777. The programme usually ... on at half past eight. A. comes. B. does. C. turns. D. looks.
778. Everyone said they had ... themselves at the wedding. A. pleased. B. impressed. C. enjoyed. D. excited.
779. Mary seems to go out with a different ... of friends almost every night. A. collection. B. band. C. company. D. group.
780. They mentioned it in the article, but they didn't ... into detail. A. make. B. go. C. take. D. come.
781. More & more people are living into ... age & it's a serious social problem. A. high. B. ancient. C. old. D. far.
782. Stephanie seems to be very ... with her classmates. A. popular. B. famous. C. known. D. likeable.
783. Most ... people have no idea what it's like to be famous. A. usual. B. ordinary. C. typical. D. medium.
784. When my parents got divorced, my best friend was very ... & listened to all my problems. A. likeable. B. amusing. C. enjoyable. d. sympathetic.
785. Rita's very ... & easily gets upset when people criticize her. A. sensitive. B. level-headed. C. sensible. D. open-minded.
786. Police were called in when the ... of people began to get violent. A. audience. B. company. C. crowd. D. herd.
787. My dad says he once met Robbie Williams when he was still .... A. hidden. B. unknown. C. infamous. D. unrelated.
788. The government is trying to convince people ... the need for higher taxes. A. of. B. with. C. that. D. for.
789. The MP asked ... the prime minister was aware of the growing social problem. A. that. B. him. C. what. D. if.
790. I believe that judges should be independent ... the government. A. to. B. from. C. with. D. on.
791. Most people seem to agree ... the newspaper's criticism of the government. A. with. B. on. C. to. D. that.
792. I don't think people should rely ... the state, even if they are unemployed. A. to. B. by. C. with. D. on.
793. Local residents object ... the new power station in their area. A. to have. B. having. C. to having. D. of having.
794. Do you think they should ban people ... smoking in public places? A. that. B. from. C. in. D. of.
795. The mayor was attacked ... public money. A. for wasting. B. to waste. C. he waste. D. of wasting.
796. This fascinating book covers some of the most ... crimes of the 20th century. A. unknown. B. hidden. C. infamous. D. covered.
797. The government should do more for ... people. A. ordinary. B. usual. c. everyday. D. typical.
798. Ivan tells me he really ... himself at your barbecue last week. A. pleased. B. interested. C. played. D. enjoyed.
799. I know we had an argument but now I'd quite like to .... A. took down. B. fall out. C. make up. D. bring up.
800. Harry & Sam both denied that the fight was their .... A. blame. B. fault. C. criticism. D. cause.