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|  | 1. I was at .......... to make it clear that I wasn’t blaming either of them. | | | |
| 1. efforts | 1. trouble | 1. pains | 1. endeavours |
|  | 1. I don’t like him and he doesn’t like me, so the feeling is entirely........... | | | |
| 1. respective | 1. mutual | 1. joint | 1. collective |
|  | 1. It’s difficult to keep .......... with all the recent changes in the law. | | | |
| 1. pace | 1. track | 1. progress | 1. step |
|  | 1. How did you come .......... that wonderful painting over there? | | | |
| 1. about | 1. in for | 1. by | 1. out with |
|  | 1. Tom’s normally very efficient but he’s been making a lot of mistakes.......... | | | |
| 1. of late | 1. for now | 1. in a while | 1. shortly |
|  | 1. We were under no .......... about how difficult it would be to achieve our aims. | | | |
| 1. fantasies | 1. daydreams | 1. illusions | 1. deceptions |
|  | 1. Harry doesn’t .......... to great fame and fortune, he just wants to make a decent living. | | | |
| 1. crave | 1. hanker | 1. yearn | 1. aspire |
|  | 1. A lot of people are .......... to the damage that is being done to the environment. | | | |
| 1. ignorant | 1. uninitiated | 1. blind | 1. unacquainted |
|  | 1. She showed little .......... of the problems we were facing. | | | |
| 1. affinity | 1. appreciation | 1. regard | 1. sensitivity |
|  | 1. This is the .......... timetable for the conference –it may change later. | | | |
| 1. conditional | 1. indefinite | 1. provisional | 1. indeterminate |
|  | 1. Sam has always taken the .......... that there is more to life than money. | | | |
| 1. outlook | 1. view | 1. belief | 1. opinion |
|  | 1. He shouted so much during the match that his voice was .......... afterwards. | | | |
| 1. raucous | 1. grating | 1. shrill | 1. hoarse |
|  | 1. His whole life seemed to fall .......... when he lost his job. | | | |
| 1. apart | 1. through | 1. away | 1. out |
|  | 1. He didn’t understand what I was saying, so I had to .......... it out to him in very simple terms. | | | |
| 1. figure | 1. spell | 1. clear | 1. stand |
|  | 1. Although it was against my .........., I had to do as I was told. | | | |
| 1. option | 1. desire | 1. will | 1. preference |
|  | 1. They were .......... from their apartment because they hadn’t paid the rent. | | | |
| 1. evicted | 1. deposed | 1. expelled | 1. discarded |
|  | 1. I didn’t know the words to the song, so I could only .......... the tune while the others sang. | | | |
| 1. whine | 1. hiss | 1. mutter | 1. hum |
|  | 1. Despite all the evidence, he wouldn’t admit that he was in the........... | | | |
| 1. fault | 1. error | 1. wrong | 1. slip |
|  | 1. If you pay for both of us now, I’ll settle .......... when we get home. | | | |
| 1. for | 1. on | 1. up | 1. in |
|  | 1. I thought I had made it .......... that I didn’t wish to discuss this matter. | | | |
| 1. distinct | 1. plain | 1. frank | 1. straight |
|  | 1. She works very hard and finds it difficult to........... when she gets home. | | | |
| 1. give in | 1. switch off | 1. let up | 1. wind up |
|  | 1. I was worried but their reassurances put my mind at............ | | | |
| 1. rest | 1. comfort | 1. calm | 1. relief |
|  | 1. His amazing natural skills set him .......... from most other players. | | | |
| 1. aside | 1. off | 1. apart | 1. out |
|  | 1. He refused to ............ on why he took such an unexpected decision | | | |
| 1. elaborate | 1. amplify | 1. account | 1. clarify |
|  | 1. Tim and Alan have never got on well and there is a lot of .......... feeling between them | | | |
| 1. cross | 1. adverse | 1. ill | 1. vile |

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|  | 1. As the game went on, she .......... in confidence. | | | |
| 1. rose | 1. grew | 1. advanced | 1. lifted |
|  | 1. Money .......... to be a problem after he had made his first successful film. | | | |
| 1. ceased | 1. discontinued | 1. terminated | 1. halted |
|  | 1. Films sometimes overdo their portrayal of reality – ………. example is the ‘horror’ movie. | | | |
| 1. for | 1. such | 1. take | 1. one such |
|  | 1. It was a terrible experience and it put her ………. flying forever. | | | |
| 1. off | 1. out | 1. away | 1. through |
|  | 1. Until a ………. agreement has been reached, I am not committed to accepting the offer. | | | |
| 1. Hard | 1. stable | 1. firm | 1. settled |
|  | 1. I’ll ………. round to replying to their letter as soon as I have time, but I’m too busy at the moment. | | | |
| 1. Get | 1. come | 1. go | 1. turn |
|  | 1. It was with ………. regret that we left the village in which we had lived happily for so many years. | | | |
| 1. Deep | 1. full | 1. keen | 1. passionate |
|  | 1. Police have not revealed the ………. details of the case. | | | |
| 1. Full | 1. total | 1. whole | 1. sheer |
|  | 1. She set ………. to write a short novel, but it got longer and longer as she wrote it. | | | |
| 1. Up | 1. in | 1. out | 1. about |
|  | 1. In ………. of value for money, this is the best car I’ve ever bought. | | | |
| 1. Sense | 1. light | 1. terms | 1. regards |
|  | 1. The cast ………. several times and then left the stage to wild applause. | | | |
| 1. Bowed | 1. ducked | 1. crouched | 1. stooped |
|  | 1. Then he started out on what ………. to be a very eventful journey. | | | |
| 1. Proved | 1. arose | 1. turned | 1. developed |
|  | 1. She ………. being treated as an inferior at work. | | | |
| 1. exasperates | 1. resents | 1. enrages | 1. embitters |
|  | 1. ……….how little experience she has, she’s doing very well at the job. | | | |
| 1. Allowing | 1. Considering | 1. Regarding | 1. Assuming |
|  | 1. Thank you for your invitation to stay with you and I’ll ………. you up on it soon. | | | |
| 1. Get | 1. take | 1. turn | 1. put |
|  | 1. If you wash that pullover in boiling water, it will ………. . | | | |
| 1. Shrink | 1. crumple | 1. condense | 1. compress |
|  | 1. When asking for our money back in a reasonable manner failed, had to ………. to threats. | | | |
| 1. Resort | 1. employ | 1. apply | 1. adopt |
|  | 1. Their relationship has become so bad that it is too late to ………. the situation. | | | |
| 1. remedy | 1. recover | 1. cure | 1. heal |
|  | 1. She paints ………. for pleasure, not because she wants to make any money out of it. | | | |
| 1. Singly | 1. fully | 1. directly | 1. purely |
|  | 1. Jackie is a good student and has a ………. future. | | | |
| 1. prospective | 1. potential | 1. promising | 1. thriving |
|  | 1. It suddenly ………. her mind that she had promised to meet a friend that night. | | | |
| 1. Hit | 1. touched | 1. struck | 1. crossed |
|  | 1. When our original plan failed, we had to think of something to do......... . | | | |
| 1. Otherwise | 1. instead | 1. or else | 1. in place |
|  | 1. When she had made a number of bad decisions, people began to ………. her judgement. | | | |
| 1. Disbelieve | 1. suspect | 1. question | 1. wonder |
|  | 1. The small boat drifted helplessly ………. the mercy of the wind and waves. | | | |
| 1. In | 1. with | 1. to | 1. at |
|  | 1. That pop star ………. name is on everyone’s lips, is organizing an international charity concert. | | | |
| 1. Which | 1. whom | 1. that | 1. whose |

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|  | 1. It was only ………. he told me his surname that I realized that we had been to the same school. | | | |
| 1. Then | 1. until | 1. as soon as | 1. when |
|  | 1. You are under no obligation to help as assistance is purely ………. | | | |
| 1. free | 1. voluntary | 1. charitable | 1. donated |
|  | 1. Trespassers will be ………… | | | |
| 1. Perpetrated | 1. persecuted | 1. proscribed | 1. prosecuted |
|  | 1. It turned out that we ………. rushed to the airport as the plane was delayed by several hours. | | | |
| 1. hadn’t | 1. should have | 1. needn’t have | 1. mustn’t have |
|  | 1. When his accomplices failed to turn up at the meeting point, it …….on him that he had been tricked. | | | |
| 1. Dawned | 1. broke | 1. awoke | 1. became clear |
|  | 1. It is advisable to ………. any contact with potentially rabid animals. | | | |
| 1. Escape | 1. avoid | 1. prevent | 1. evade |
|  | 1. The bedroom was ………. with bugs and beetles. | | | |
| 1. Infected | 1. inflated | 1. infested | 1. infused |
|  | 1. I’m afraid this vase is anything but antique – in fact, it’s ………. | | | |
| 1. Pointless | 1. worthless | 1. meaningless | 1. hopeless |
|  | 1. Never ………. a gift horse in the mouth. | | | |
| 1. Feel | 1. look | 1. catch | 1. hold |
|  | 1. There wasn’t a ………. of dust anywhere in the hotel. | | | |
| 1. Drop | 1. fleck | 1. speck | 1. pinch |
|  | 1. The room feels very ………. now that we’re having to store all my brother’s furniture. | | | |
| 1. Cramped | 1. pressed | 1. filled | 1. crowded |
|  | 1. On reflection, the reviewer realized that he had been ………. unfair in his harsh criticism of the play. | | | |
| 1. Somewhat | 1. moreover | 1. anywhere | 1. whatever |
|  | 1. The two children tried as hard as they could to .......... a reconciliation between their parents. | | | |
| 1. bring about | 1. bring up | 1. bring in | 1. bring together |
|  | 1. That was one of the best films I have ever seen-it was ………. magnificent. | | | |
| 1. very | 1. fairly | 1. quite | 1. extremely |
|  | 1. On returning home, he discovered ….. his horror that the entire house was flooded. | | | |
| 1. By | 1. of | 1. at | 1. to |
|  | 1. After the crash, the number of people were taken to hospital with ………. injuries. | | | |
| 1. great | 1. serious | 1. deep | 1. high |
|  | 1. If you managed to pass your driving test, it would be an ………. miracle. | | | |
| 1. utter | 1. entire | 1. extreme | 1. absolute |
|  | 1. The committee is happy to report that it has no ……… to the construction of the new senate building. | | | |
| 1. Criticism | 1. objection | 1. disapproval | 1. censure |
|  | 1. All equipment must be sterilized and germ ………. | | | |
| 1. vacant | 1. free | 1. vacuous | 1. vacated |
|  | 1. I have told her that I am not going to go ahead with my plans ………. she may think. | | | |
| 1. whether | 1. whatever | 1. however | 1. despite |
|  | 1. There are very few artists who have ………. much material success in their own lifetimes. | | | |
| 1. enjoyed | 1. disposed | 1. possessed | 1. realized |
|  | 1. Doctors advise people who are deficient … vitamin C to eat more fruit and vegetables. | | | |
| 1. From | 1. of | 1. in | 1. for |
|  | 1. Life expectancy in the third world is relatively short, ………. in the western world it has increased. | | | |
| 1. Whereas | 1. unlike | 1. however | 1. contrary |
|  | 1. The professor noticed that the essay …..a strong resemblance to an article he had seen published. | | | |
| 1. Bore | 1. held | 1. carried | 1. contained |
|  | 1. ………. of bees can be seen in the orchard in the summer months. | | | |
| 1. Troupes | 1. Herds | 1. Flocks | 1. Swarms |

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|  | 1. Fearing for his life, he ………. the muggers for mercy. | | | |
| 1. pleaded | 1. petitioned | 1. urged | 1. begged |
|  | 1. I am not convinced that financial advisers always act in their client’s best ………. . | | | |
| 1. advantage | 1. interest | 1. intention | 1. result |
|  | 1. She took the course with a ………. to improving her employment prospects. | | | |
| 1. regard | 1. view | 1. consideration | 1. relation |
|  | 1. He suggested ……….. a jumble sale to try and raise money for the scouts. | | | |
| 1. me to hold | 1. me that I held | 1. holding | 1. to be held |
|  | 1. He had repeatedly warned the children ………. playing too near the canal. | | | |
| 1. of | 1. with | 1. about | 1. for |
|  | 1. I believe Danish is a very difficult language to pick ………. quickly. | | | |
| 1. out | 1. up | 1. at | 1. on |
|  | 1. He manages to get ………. his monthly salary in a couple of weeks. | | | |
| 1. over | 1. through | 1. by | 1. round |
|  | 1. People who are squeamish are afraid of the ………. of blood. | | | |
| 1. spectacle | 1. view | 1. sight | 1. look |
|  | 1. The witness’s account was not ………. with the facts. | | | |
| 1. matched | 1. reliable | 1. consistent | 1. confirmed |
|  | 1. He was forced to get out of the city and had to ………. his family behind. | | | |
| 1. desert | 1. abandon | 1. let | 1. leave |
|  | 1. News of the celebrity’s arrival ………. through the small town like wildfire. | | | |
| 1. flared | 1. moved | 1. grew | 1. spread |
|  | 1. Not only ………. visit Japan but they plan to stop off in the USA as well. | | | |
| 1. they plan to | 1. they must | 1. will they | 1. are they paying |
|  | 1. Champagne is a ………. wine, which originally came from the north-east of France. | | | |
| 1. glittering | 1. sparkling | 1. glistening | 1. gleaming |
|  | 1. ………. had the curtain been raised than the lights went out. | | | |
| 1. Scarcely | 1. Hardly | 1. Only when | 1. No sooner |
|  | 1. Some intriguing new facts ………. to light during the course of the investigation. | | | |
| 1. came | 1. brought | 1. turned | 1. made |
|  | 1. My dog’s being very difficult at the moment; I don’t know what the trouble is but he just …… not eat. | | | |
| 1. must | 1. will | 1. may | 1. has |
|  | 1. The evidence that carbon dioxide levels are rising is ………. . | | | |
| 1. inevitable | 1. unavoidable | 1. indelible | 1. undeniable |
|  | 1. The quality papers are a different ………. of fish from the gutter press. | | | |
| 1. pan | 1. basket | 1. box | 1. kettle |
|  | 1. A new ………. of programmes on wildlife will be shown on Channel 4 in the autumn. | | | |
| 1. episode | 1. series | 1. serial | 1. sequel |
|  | 1. The in-depth news bulletins are aimed ………. a middle-aged, professional audience. | | | |
| 1. for | 1. to | 1. in | 1. at |
|  | 1. He was so ………. in his career that he neglected his friends and family. | | | |
| 1. obsessed | 1. preoccupied | 1. riveted | 1. engrossed |
|  | 1. Their eventual choice of house was ………. by the time Peter would take to get to the office. | | | |
| 1. related | 1. consequent | 1. determined | 1. dependent |
|  | 1. My cousin obviously didn’t ………. much of an impression on you if you can’t remember meeting her. | | | |
| 1. create | 1. do | 1. make | 1. build |
|  | 1. He got an excellent grade in his examination ……… the fact that he had not worked particularly hard. | | | |
| 1. on account of | 1. because of | 1. in spite of | 1. although |
|  | 1. Despite having a low income, she manages to ………. . | | | |
| 1. get by | 1. keep up | 1. live out | 1. stand for |

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