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|  | 1. The government should do more to ……………… the laws requiring factories to reduce pollution levels. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. espouse | | | 1. feign | | | | | | | | | | 1. enforce | | | | | | | | 1. exert | | |
|  | 1. The investigating officer realised that there was a major ……………… between the two statements. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. discrepancy | | | 1. distortion | | | | | | | | | | 1. distraction | | | | | | | | 1. dysfunction | | |
|  | 1. The objections began to ……………… when people realised the benefits of the new measures. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. cop out | | | 1. peter out | | | | | | | | | | 1. strike out | | | | | | | | 1. pull out | | |
|  | 1. After the divorce, Anne’s ex-husband refused to pay her ……………… so she took him to court. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. alimony | | | | 1. allowance | | | | | | | | | 1. annuity | | | | | | | | 1. grant | | |
|  | 1. He kept ……………… how much money the holiday had cost, so I left earlier than I had planned. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. droning in about | | | 1. bleating on about | | | | | | | | | | 1. crying out for | | | | | | | | 1. talking up | | |
|  | 1. She was very ……………… and set out her opinions very clearly. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. eligible | | | 1. analogous | | | | | | | | | | 1. ambivalent | | | | | | | | 1. articulate | | |
|  | 1. I know you want something because you ……………… me ……………… whenever you want me to do you a favour. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. fob...off | | | 1. butter...up | | | | | | | | | | 1. bottle...up | | | | | | | | 1. listen...up | | |
|  | 1. The film was so amusing that the audience were ……………… in the aisles. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. twisting | | | 1. writhing | | | | | | | | | | 1. tumbling | | | | | | | | 1. rolling | | |
|  | 1. There was ……………… evidence against her, so the prosecution were confident of obtaining a conviction. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. substantial | | | 1. effusive | | | | | | | | | | 1. perceptible | | | | | | | | 1. prolific | | |
|  | 1. Having completed the marathon, her feet were ……………… painfully. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. howling | | | 1. throbbing | | | | | | | | | | 1. piercing | | | | | | | | 1. gasping | | |
|  | 1. The firm ……………… due to lack of demand for its products. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. folded down | | | 1. wrapped up | | | | | | | | | | 1. tailed off | | | | | | | | 1. went under | | |
|  | 1. I was told in the ……………… confidence, so I cannot pass on the information. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. tightest | | | 1. closest | | | | | | | | | | 1. highest | | | | | | | | 1. strictest | | |
|  | 1. The teacher asked us to leave a wide ……………… whenever we write a composition. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. edge | | | 1. fringe | | | | | | | | | | 1. margin | | | | | | | | 1. border | | |
|  | 1. She ……………… a lot of expenses when preparing for her son’s wedding. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. amassed | | | 1. incurred | | | | | | | | | | 1. encountered | | | | | | | | 1. accumulated | | |
|  | 1. The detective relied on his ……………… to solve some cases, but his colleagues preferred to use logic. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. hunches | | | 1. estimates | | | | | | | | | | 1. positives | | | | | | | | 1. intrusion | | |
|  | 1. He ……………… angrily that he was glad we had lost, but he later regretted his outburst. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. expressed | | | 1. retorted | | | | | | | | | | 1. reproved | | | | | | | | 1. rebuked | | |
|  | 1. Because the landlord is their uncle, they only pay him a ……………… rent. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. theoretical | | | 1. minor | | | | | | | | | | 1. negligent | | | | | | | | 1. nominal | | |
|  | 1. We’ve been working all day and have hardly ……………… a dent in the housework. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. drawn | | | 1. made | | | | | | | | | | 1. dropped | | | | | | | | 1. hit | | |
|  | 1. The little girl ……………… over the dolls in the shop, hoping she would be given one for her birthday. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. loitered | | | 1. lingered | | | | | | | | | | 1. swayed | | | | | | | | 1. dallied | | |
|  | 1. The refugee had washed and pressed his suit, but it was so old it still looked ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. dirty | | | 1. filthy | | | | | | | | | | 1. squalid | | | | | | | | 1. shabby | | |
|  | 1. He ……………… my presence with a curt nod in my direction. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. appeased | | | 1. acknowledged | | | | | | | | | | 1. accommodated | | | | | | | | 1. allayed | | |
|  | 1. I was quite nervous about walking through the wood as there were creatures ……………… in the undergrowth. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. glowering | | | 1. glaring | | | | | | | | | | 1. hovering | | | | | | | | 1. lurking | | |
|  | 1. He ……………… his language when his boss arrived on the scene. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. hemmed in | | | 1. toned down | | | | | | | | | | 1. levelled off | | | | | | | | 1. patched up | | |
|  | 1. He decided that his position in the company was ……………… as he had lost his reputation. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. untenable | | | 1. unrelated | | | | | | | | | | 1. irrelevant | | | | | | | | 1. invalid | | |
|  | 1. He was ……………… to look for another job because he was passed over for promotion. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. pinched | | | 1. prodded | | | | | | | | | | 1. primed | | | | | | | | 1. prompted | | |
|  | 1. I had no idea that he was so ……………… against buying a foreign car. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. prejudiced | | | 1. warped | | | | | | | | | | 1. determined | | | | | | | | 1. conservative | | |
|  | 1. He should ……………… from commenting about his colleagues in such a derogatory manner. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. restrain | | | | | | 1. refrain | | | | | | | 1. stop | | | | | | | | 1. cease | | |
|  | 1. She was in a very ……………… mood, so I asked what was on her mind. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. prismatic | | | | | | 1. enlightened | | | | | | | 1. enforced | | | | | | | | 1. pensive | | |
|  | 1. The reporter was given a dangerous ……………… in the war zone. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. post | | | | | 1. function | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. chore | | | | 1. assignment | | |
|  | 1. She was ……………… at the small print rather short-sightedly. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. staring | | | | | 1. glimpsing | | | | | | | | 1. glinting | | | | | | | | 1. peering | | |
|  | 1. You’ve really ……………… a pig’s ear of the repair. Now we’ll have to call in a professional. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. hashed | | | | | 1. had | | | | | | | | 1. made | | | | | | | | 1. taken | | |
|  | 1. The teacher isn’t a very strong character and the children are always ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. putting up | | | | | 1. stringing along | | | | | | | | 1. playing up | | | | | | | | 1. rubbing along | | |
|  | 1. The farmer would allow no one to ……………… on his land. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. trespass | | | | | 1. invade | | | | | | | | 1. intrude | | | | | | | | 1. access | | |
|  | 1. The ……………… were severe, and, as a result, many roads were impassable due to the snow. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. typhoons | | | | | 1. gales | | | | | | | | 1. gusts | | | | | | | | 1. blizzards | | |
|  | 1. The discussion was so ……………… that I closed my eyes and only woke up as everyone was leaving. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. riveting | | | | | 1. mundane | | | | | | | | 1. strenuous | | | | | | | | 1. tedious | | |
|  | 1. He’s a very difficult person to ……………… because he travels a lot. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. rub along with | | | | | 1. get on to | | | | | | | | 1. strike out | | | | | | | | 1. tie down | | |
|  | 1. He belonged to the old-boy ……………… and could easily get a good job in the City. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. club | | | | | 1. school | | | | | | | | 1. team | | | | | | | | 1. network | | |
|  | 1. Not all vegetables are better for you when they are ………………; some benefit from being cooked. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. raw | | | | | 1. crude | | | | | | | | 1. sour | | | | | | | | 1. unripe | | |
|  | 1. Orchids grow better in a ……………… atmosphere as they require 40-70 per cent moisture in the air. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. damp | | | | | 1. humid | | | | | | | | 1. dank | | | | | | | | 1. soaking | | |
|  | 1. Her performance was so ……………… that I was on the edge of my seat throughout the play. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. unwieldy | | | | | | | 1. riveting | | | | | | 1. bland | | | | | | | | 1. lacklustre | | |
|  | 1. Don’t you just love the different ……………… of orange and gold in this Turner painting? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. pigments | | | | | | | 1. palettes | | | | | | 1. stencils | | | | | | | | 1. hues | | |
|  | 1. A new managing director will be ……………… after a series of interviews and aptitude tests. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. anointed | | | | | | | 1. shortlisted | | | | | | 1. appointed | | | | | | | | 1. delegated | | |
|  | 1. I’ve been working a lot of overtime during the last month because I’ve been ……………… under with orders**.** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. piled | | | | | | | 1. rained | | | | | | 1. flooded | | | | | | | | 1. snowed | | |
|  | 1. Our plans to hold an end-of-year picnic in the woods were ……………… by the bad weather. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. doomed | | | | | | | 1. foiled | | | | | | | | | | | 1. thwarted | | | 1. plugged | | |
|  | 1. ……………… James Hill didn’t hesitate before jumping into the river to save his beloved pet Labrador. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Plucky | | | | | | | 1. Compassionate | | | | | | 1. Gregarious | | | | | | | | 1. Bubbly | | |
|  | 1. We are able to use our patio more since we’ve had a/an ……………… installed; it used to be too sunny to sit there. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. shutter | | | | | | | 1. foliage | | | | | | 1. awning | | | | | | | | 1. sunscreen | | |
|  | 1. Please don’t let the dog sit on the new sofa-he’s going to ruin the ………………! | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. upholstery | | | | | | | 1. linen | | | | | | 1. bedding | | | | | | | | 1. furnishing | | |
|  | 1. He began to ……………… his fists in a threatening manner that we got scared. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. clench | | | | | | | 1. wield | | | | | | 1. brandish | | | | | | | | 1. wring | | |
|  | 1. I was asked to write my present ……………… on the application form. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. occupation | | | | | | | 1. profession | | | | | | 1. work | | | | | | | | 1. employment | | |
|  | 1. Kate was supposed to ……………… the training of the new staff. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. achieve | | | | | | | 1. run | | | | | | 1. operate | | | | | | | | 1. undertake | | |
|  | 1. The journalist refused to ……………… her source, saying it was highly confidential. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. admit | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. confess | | | 1. produce | | | | | D. reveal | | |
|  | 1. The police were called in to break up a .................... in the bar last night. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. bicker | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. brawl | | | 1. bloodshed | | | | | 1. battle | | |
|  | 1. When he was arrested, his lawyer issued a flat ……………… of the charges brought against him. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. rejection | | | | | | | | 1. dismissal | | | | | | | 1. refusal | | | | | 1. denial | | |
|  | 1. She was distraught when she learned that her mother had a ……………… illness. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. terminal | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. lethal | | | 1. mortal | | | | | 1. deadly | | |
|  | 1. I wanted to resign, but my boss ……………… with me to stay. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. pleaded | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. parted | | | 1. argued | | | | | 1. bargained | | |
|  | 1. He asked the question rather ………………, as his boss was in a bad mood and he didn’t want to annoy her. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. tentatively | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. precariously | | | 1. wearily | | | | | 1. insolently | | |
|  | 1. The stray dog looked so ……………… sitting in the rain that we took pity on it and brought it inside. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. destitute | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. decrepit | | | 1. forlorn | | | | | 1. disturbed | | |
|  | 1. After careful investigation, the committee ……………… the accountant and recommended that the police should not charge her. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. acquitted | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. expelled | | | 1. dispelled | | | | | 1. exonerated | | |
|  | 1. His ……………… expression left us in no doubt as to how much her rejection had hurt him. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. apprehensive | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. anguished | | | 1. resigned | | | | | 1. downright | | |
|  | 1. He ……………… his gaze in embarrassment, realizing he’d been staring at the couple sitting opposite. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. diverted | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. averted | | | 1. deflected | | | | | 1. concealed | | |
|  | 1. The judge was unwilling to be lenient when she learned that the offender had ……………… arrest. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. refused | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. resisted | | | 1. rejected | | | | | 1. denied | | |
|  | 1. Her ……………… attitude caused many problems at school as she was impolite to teachers. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. disregarding | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. unresponsive | | | 1. regardless | | | | | 1. disrespectful | | |
|  | 1. She ……………… illness so that she could have a day off work. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. pretended | | | | | | | | | | | | 1. affected | | | 1. feigned | | | | | 1. ingratiated | | |
|  | 1. He’s got no manners! How can you tolerate such a(n) ……………… person? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. uncouth | | | | | | | | | | | 1. uneven | | | 1. villainous | | | | | 1. sullen | | |
|  | 1. The country’s economy is ……………… after substantial investment in industry and agriculture. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. transparent | | | | | | | | | | | 1. thriving | | | 1. turgid | | | | | 1. placid | | |
|  | 1. It is hoped that the new inoculation programme will ……………… the disease. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. exterminate | | | | | | | | | | | 1. annihilate | | | 1. destroy | | | | | 1. abolish | | |
|  | 1. After much legal wrangling, the contract was ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. annulled | | | | | | | | | | | 1. dissolved | | | 1. disallowed | | | | | 1. destroyed | | |
|  | 1. As people grow older, they lose calcium and their bones become ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. brittle | | | | | | | | | | | 1. crisp | | | 1. snappy | | | | | 1. feeble | | |
|  | 1. The police have recently ……………… down on motorists who drink and drive. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. turned | | | | | | | | | | | 1. clamped | | | 1. waged | | | | | 1. pulled | | |
|  | | 1. I would like to hear the ……………… behind your suggestion. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. rationale | | | | | | | | | | 1. prospective | | | | | 1. perception | | | | 1. inflection | | |
|  | | 1. He’s a real miser. I’ve never met anyone so ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. tight-fisted | | | | | | | | | | 1. mealy-mouthed | | | | | 1. thick-skinned | | | | 1. light-fingered | | |
|  | | 1. I cannot ……………… to that point of view; it is diametrically opposed to mine. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. commiserate | | | | | | | | | | 1. affiliate | | | | | 1. subscribe | | | | 1. cohere | | |
|  | | 1. Having decided to study carpentry, I ……………… on an evening course. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. enlisted | | | | | | | | | 1. enrolled | | | | | | | | 1. enjoined | | 1. endorsed | | |
|  | | 1. The refugees were offered ……………… in the embassy. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. sanctuary | | | | | | | | | 1. preservation | | | | | | | | 1. conservation | | 1. redemption | | |
|  | | 1. She was extremely elegant and obviously very ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. entitled | | | | | | | | | 1. upheld | | | | | | | | 1. upstanding | | 1. well-heeled | | |
|  | | 1. When he threw her book on the floor, she ……………… by setting fire to his newspaper. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. resorted | | | | | | | | | 1. reprimanded | | | | | | | | 1. retaliated | | 1. retorted | | |
|  | | 1. The car was old and ………………, having been exposed to the elements for years. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. rusty | | | | | | | | | 1. decomposed | | | | | | | | 1. silted | | 1. tarnished | | |
|  | | 1. The audience were ……………… by her inspiring lecture. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. uplifted | | | | | | | | | 1. soared | | | | | | | | 1. upheld | | 1. ascended | | |
|  | | 1. I tried every ……………… in the book to reform him. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. deception | | | | | | | | | 1. fraud | | | | | | | | 1. scam | | 1. trick | | |
|  | | | 1. Middle-age ……………… is fat that many people develop around their waist as they grow older. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. spread | | | | | | | | | | 1. reach | | | | | | 1. expand | 1. stretch | | | |
|  | | | 1. Kids liked to ……………… strawberry juice and eat hamburgers. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. bolt | | | | | | | | | | 1. slurp | | | | | | 1. gobble | 1. chomp | | | |
|  | | | 1. The tornado left hundreds of damaged homes in its ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. course | | | | | | | | | | 1. route | | | | | | 1. trace | 1. wake | | | |
|  | | | 1. My grandfather said he would pay for me to go to college, and he made ……………… on that promise. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. well | | | | | | | | | | 1. good | | | | | | 1. true | 1. do | | | |
|  | | | 1. The dispute can be traced back to resentments which have ……………… for centuries. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. fostered | | | | | | | | | | 1. bolstered | | | | | | 1. festered | 1. pestered | | | |
|  | | | 1. Far from being difficult, the program is actually a ……………… to install. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. candy | | | | | | | | | | 1. cake | | | | | | 1. child’s play | 1. cinch | | | |
|  | | | 1. Jean Arthur worked for a decade before ……………… stardom. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. assuage | | | | | | | | | | 1. acquiring | | | 1. attaining | | | | | 1. acquiesce | | |
|  | | | 1. Ruth is ……………… to give up immediately when faced with any problem. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. due | | | | | | | 1. apt | | | | | | 1. susceptible | | | | | 1. subject | | |
|  | | | 1. The government is making every effort to ……………… an economic crisis. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. hinder | | | | | | | | | | 1. avert | | | 1. impede | | | | | 1. hamper | | |
|  | | | 1. She’s a good player and her chances of winning the tournament cannot be ………………. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. discounted | | | | | | | | | | 1. skewered | | | 1. eschewed | | | | | 1. snubbed | | |
|  | | | 1. What was it that ……………… you to change career so suddenly? | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. moved | | | | | | | | | | 1. determined | | | 1. triggered | | | | | 1. drew | | |
|  | | | 1. I’d like to buy that glass vase you have in the window- the one with the roses ……………… on the side. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. inscribed | | | | | | | | 1. ascribed | | | | | 1. designed | | | | | 1. etched | | |
|  | | | 1. If you ……………… too much of your energy on the climb, you’ll have none left for the descent. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. entail | | | | | | | | | | 1. incur | | | 1. expend | | | | | 1. inculcate | | |
|  | | | 1. The rules are clearly stated and admit ……………… no confusion. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. to | | | | | | | | | | 1. of | | | 1. for | | | | | 1. about | | |
|  | | | 1. As soon as he finished university, he was ……………… into the army. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. consecrated | | | | | | | | | | 1. conserved | | | | | | 1. conscripted | 1. converted | | | |
|  | | | 1. I was disappointed with my first ……………… of the book so I tore it up and started again. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. blueprint | | | | | | | | | | 1. content | | | | | | 1. manuscript | 1. draft | | | |
|  | | | 1. If all factory chimneys were equipped with ……………… there would be less atmospheric pollution. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. gauges | | | | | | | | | | 1. filters | | | 1. sifters | | | | | 1. strainers | | |
|  | | | 1. He made a last ……………… attempt to cross the river, and succeeded. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. ditch | | | | | | | 1. patch | | | | | | 1. path | | | | | 1. dyke | | |
|  | | | 1. The newspaper bought the rights and published a(an) ……………… story. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. unique | | | | | | | | | | 1. unilateral | | | 1. significant | | | | | 1. exclusive | | |
|  | | | 1. The firm ……………… of their friendship meant that it could endure minor setbacks. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. establishment | | | | | | | | | | 1. basics | | | 1. foundation | | | | | 1. keystone | | |
|  | | | 1. Some athletes have ……………… their performance by taking drugs. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. alleviated | | | | | | | | | | 1. enhanced | | | 1. elevated | | | | | 1. surpassed | | |