

VARIOUS VOCABULARY EXERCISES 4

A) Choose the most suitable phrasal verb for each of the sentences below.

- 1) _____! I haven't finished yet.
a) Set up b) Hold on c) Bring about
- 2) They _____ a number of suggestions.
a) put forward b) brought about c) gave away
- 3) I _____ most of my books _____ when I left college.
a) turned out b) gave away c) set up
- 4) They want to _____ their own import-export business.
a) hold on b) put forward c) set up
- 5) It was a difficult time, but eventually things _____ all right.
a) turned out b) held on c) put forward
- 6) A huge amount of environmental damage has been _____ by the destruction of the rainforests.
a) brought about b) given away c) turned out

B) In each exercise use the correct form of the words given in capitals.

NUTRITION

- 1) I have a _____ who travels with me and works out a daily menu.
- 2) Milk is a very _____ food, containing protein, vitamins and minerals.

STABLE

- 1) It is not safe to trust someone who is emotionally _____.
- 2) Officials said that they had reform policies to _____ the economy.

EXHAUSTING

- 1) I was _____ every day when I first started teaching, but I'm used to it now.
- 2) The soldiers were suffering from _____ after long days and nights of marching.

PRESCRIBE

- 1) Overdosing of _____ drugs can be fatal.
- 2) You can get these sleeping pills only by _____.

FAULTY

- 1) I think there's a _____ in one of the loudspeakers.
- 2) She showed a _____ performance during the show, which was greatly appreciated by the audience.

C) The words written in *italics* are misplaced. Put them in the appropriate sentences.

I.

- 1) Everyone hates him. He is rude and *uneasy*. _____
- 2) Police say the victim was killed with a *rural* knife. _____
- 3) Crime is a common problem in both *blunt* and urban areas. _____
- 4) When I answered the telephone, no one was there, which made me *arrogant*.

II.

- 1) Purchases may be returned if you show your *interest*. _____
- 2) You can pay me in *receipt* if you can't pay it all now. _____
- 3) If you don't like the product, return it within 14 days for a full *installment*.

- 4) If you had half a million dollars you could easily live off the *refund*.

III.

- 1) Mrs. Williams left her daughter \$200,000 in her *witness*. _____
- 2) I said I wasn't interested in him, but he didn't take the *will*. _____
- 3) Barry threatened to commit *hint* if she refused to marry him. _____
- 4) In court, a *suicide* said he had seen Steven hit the woman in the face.

D) Find the correct forms of the VERBS given in brackets and use them in the sentences.

- 1) He was _____ for being drunk.(sack)
- 2) I need to get my shoes _____.(mend)
- 3) I couldn't _____ the rent on my own. (afford)
- 4) Our flight was _____ by bad weather.(delay)
- 5) Storms in Paris caused four planes _____. (crash)
- 6) I watched him as he _____ sugar into his coffee.(stir)
- 7) The best way to explore the island is _____ a car.(hire)
- 8) The book is intended to help students _____ common errors.(avoid)
- 9) When he died aged 85, his 10 children _____ his money.(inherit)
- 10) Foreign currency can be _____ for sterling at any bank.(exchange)
- 11) Henry and his wife _____ advice from their lawyer last week.(seek)

E) The words in capitals have meanings other than the ones you have studied above. Use one word in each sentence and change the form if necessary.

SACK(n)

STIR(v)

HIRE(v)

INTEREST(n)

WILL(n)

BLUNT(adj)

- 1) When her husband died, she lost the _____ to live.
- 2) He came in with a _____ of potatoes on his shoulder.
- 3) The crowd began to _____ as the band walked on stage.
- 4) Josie isn't really an archaeologist, it's just an _____ of hers.
- 5) Maria can be very _____ and sometimes shocks people who don't know her well.
- 6) He _____ 2,000 new workers to improve customer service over the next six months.

ANSWER KEY

A)

1) b 2) a 3) b 4) c 5) a 6) a

B)

1) nutritionist 2) nutritious
1) unstable 2) stabilize
1) exhausted 2) exhaustion
1) prescribed 2) prescription
1) fault 2) faultless

C)

I.

1) arrogant 2) blunt 3) rural 4) uneasy

II.

1) receipt 2) installments 3) refund 4) interest

III.

1) will 2) hint 3) suicide 4) witness

D)

1) sacked 2) mended 3) afford 4) delayed 5) to crash
6) stirred 7) to hire 8) avoid / to avoid 9) inherited
10) exchanged 11) sought

E)

1) will 2) sack 3) stir 4) interest 5) blunt 6) hired