

10a – Fill in the gaps

From the following list, use each word only once to complete the sentences below. Remember that in the case of nouns and verbs you may need to change the form of the word:

anthropology (n)	•	foetus (n)	•	intimacy (n)
province (n)	•	quote (v)	•	render (v)
	•	repress (v)	•	
sift (v)	•	surplus (n)	•	triangle (n)

- The costs were so enormous that they _____ the project impossible.
- _____ is the scientific study of man including such topics as religion and culture.
- One of the simplest but strongest shapes is the _____.
- The _____ between a mother and a child is very important for the emotional development of the child.
- If you have made a plan for your writing, it becomes much easier to _____ through your notes and decide which ideas to include.
- When there is a _____ of oil, the price on the world market falls.
- In nearly all parts of Eastern Europe, attempts to _____ movements for political change failed completely.
- The Canadian capital Ottawa is in the _____ of Ontario.
- Recent research has shown that drinking heavily during pregnancy can harm the _____.
- When you want to _____ something, make sure that the words you write are exactly the same as those in your source.

10b – Choose the right word

In each of the sentences below, decide which word in **bold** is more suitable:

- Although many drugs are illegal, it appears to be increasingly easy for teenagers to **procure** / **secure** drugs if they want them.
- If you have a lot of data which you want to include, an **appendix** / **index** at the end of the report or essay is the best place for it.
- Before they take their examinations, students should revise thoroughly and try to **assimilate** / **ingest** what they have been studying.
- A huge trench was dug to **channel** / **deviate** excess water away from farming areas.

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5. According to opponents of the death penalty, the idea that executions help to prevent murder is a complete **myth / legend**.
 6. For health reasons, smoking is restricted if not completely **embargoed / prohibited** in many public places.
 7. At the end of an essay, students should always **append / affix** a bibliography, giving details of the sources of information they have used.
 8. France's road and rail networks **diverge / converge** on Paris because it is the capital.
 9. The influence of television is so great that actors can be **elevated / lifted** to superstar status almost overnight.
 10. Some years ago, the shapes of cars were very **angular / bent** whereas today they are much more rounded.
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10c – Finish the sentence

Choose the best ending for each of the sentence extracts below from the list underneath:

1. Many people working today find it difficult to **tolerate**...
 2. In Canada, it is a huge advantage to be **fluent**...
 3. Although the lecturer's explanation was very **cogent**,...
 4. In some American states, there is a strange **anomaly**...
 5. In recent years, some Asian countries have **emerged**...
 6. Some analysts think that many customers will **dispense**...
 7. New government proposals will increase the **rigour**...
 8. University students usually have the **option**...
 9. A new drug developed by a leading company **purports**...
 10. Although it was particularly radical and **ingenious**,...
 11. Sometimes articles are **anonymous**,...
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- a. ...whereby a 16 year-old may get married but is not allowed to buy a beer.
 - b. ...but in the majority of cases the name of the author appears with the article.
 - c. ...some students still could not understand the solution to the problem.
 - d. ...with conventional phones altogether and use mobile phones instead.
 - e. ...of choosing extra subjects to study if they wish.
 - f. ...from almost nothing to become major economic players.
 - g. ...in both French and English.
 - h. ...the design for the Concorde was just too expensive to produce commercially.
 - i. ...high levels of stress and insecurity.
 - j. ...of the law by introducing longer prison sentences.
 - k. ...to slow down the ageing process.

10d – Word substitution

From the list below, choose one word which could be used in place of the language shown in **bold** without changing the meaning of the sentence. Remember that you may need to change the form or in some cases the grammatical class of the word:

ascribe (v)	•	assent (n)	•	comprise (v)	•	emancipate (v)
embrace (v)	•	enhance (v)	•	inconsistent (adj)	•	interrelate (v)
		outcome (n)	•	saturate (v)	•	vague (adj)

- The minister resigned because many people felt that his behaviour was **at variance** with his role in public life. _____
- The clear increase in skin cancer has been **attributed** to the fact that more people now take holidays in hot countries. _____
- The new law course attempts to **cover** all aspects of international law. _____
- Some people argue that robots in the home will **liberate** us from having to do the housework in the not too distant future. _____
- A significant number of students decide to study for a Master's degree to **boost** their knowledge. _____
- The USA **is composed of** 50 states. _____
- In Britain, the Queen must give her **agreement** to a new law before it can come into force. _____
- The **result** of the experiment was a complete surprise to everyone: the new process was a success! _____
- The market for cars in Europe is almost **full to capacity**, forcing car manufacturers to look for customers elsewhere. _____
- A recent survey has found that most people have only an **uncertain** understanding of how and why we study theoretical science. _____
- Wages and inflation are closely **linked**, in that as one rises or falls so does the other. _____

10e – Choose the best word

For each of the sentences here, choose the best word from a, b or c:

- The President's speech was so _____ that many people were persuaded to accept the need for change.
a. expressive b. articulate c. eloquent
- Car crashes are almost always accidental, but on rare occasions they may be _____.
a. conscious b. purposeful c. deliberate
- The outline is a kind of _____ which gives in general terms the basic structure and content of a piece of work.
a. sketch b. skeleton c. draft
- People who smoke heavily experience a/an _____ to smoke, which makes it very difficult for them to stop.
a. compulsion b. obligation c. addiction
- Although we now believe this to be impossible, early scientists tried to produce _____ motion machines, that is, machines which would never stop.
a. perpetual b. everlasting c. undying
- If a questionnaire is badly written, it will not _____ the type of information required from the people completing it.
a. solicit b. elicit c. obtain

7. Books are usually electronically protected so that they cannot be _____ from the library unless they have been issued in the proper way.
a. removed b. withdrawn c. extracted
8. Studying is important, but playing sports and joining clubs will help to _____ a student's time at university.
a. boost b. enrich c. bolster
9. No doubt every country has _____ in its history which its people now regret.
a. episodes b. stages c. sections
10. Students who are _____ on the campus make more use of the university sports facilities than those living outside.
a. domiciled b. resident c. settled
11. One of the biggest problems with malaria is that the disease can _____ and give the patient serious medical complications again and again throughout his or her life.
a. repeat b. recur c. arise

10f – Make a collocation

Start by reading through the sentences below. Then take one word from the box on the left and combine this with one from the box on the right to make a collocation. (Note that more than one pairing may be possible and also that some words appear more than once.) Then try to match your combinations with the spaces in the sentences below:

maternal	•	political	•	null and
television	•	health	•	tangible
high	•	leading	•	under
have	•	fossil		

interviews	•	clinic	•	exponents
instinct	•	ambitions	•	fuels
void	•	benefits	•	access to
inflation	•	the auspices of		

1. In many universities, there is a/an _____ provided especially for students and staff.
2. _____ is usually an economic disaster, causing prices to rise and the value of money to fall.
3. In _____, politicians often ignore what they are asked, preferring instead to discuss their own interests.
4. Because they increase the availability of information, _____ of computer technology argue that computers help protect our freedom.
5. Many feminists now argue that women do not have a _____ towards children.
6. Many successful business figures want to enter government in order to satisfy their _____.
7. Because the original information was incorrect, the court decided that the contract was _____.
8. The building of a new airport will bring _____, such as improved communications and more jobs in the local area.
9. Through the Internet, students now _____ information from academic libraries all over the world.
10. One of the problems with _____ such as coal and oil is that they will not last for ever.
11. An international rescue operation was organised _____ the United Nations.