USE OF ENGLISH: Sentence Pairs

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TASK 1

1 I must stop eating sweets. I've put _____ too much weight recently.
I think that, _____ average, girls are better at academic subjects than boys.
a in
b off
c on

2 We're _____ rid of our old clothes.
Unfortunately, his parents are _____ a divorce.
a becoming
b taking
c getting

3 They live in a terraced _____ in Green Street.
Could you tell us when you are moving _____?
a house
b flat
c home

4 To get this job, you must have a _____ in Economics.
Last night the temperature was one _____ Celsius below zero.
a title
b degree
c grade

5 When you _____ the end of the street, turn left.
The jury couldn't _____ a verdict for two days.
a reach
b get
c arrive

TASK 2

1 What do you do to _____ fit?
Your son finds it hard to _____ up with the rest of the class.
a keep
b stay
c get

2 We're in our final year so we don't have much _____ time.
You should always carry a _____ tyre in your car in case you have a puncture.
a free
b leisure
c spare

3 We're planning to _____ this hotel for three more years.
I don't think this software will _____ on my old computer.
a operate
b run
c go

4 We were brought _____ by our grandmother.
The price of petrol has gone _____ recently.
a up
b in
c on

5 Next summer I want to _____ a Spanish course in Alicante.
I promise you I'll try to _____ my best.
a take
b make
c do

TASK 3

1 I've _____ this exam three times but failed each time.
I don't recognise the place. Where was this photo _____?
a taken
b passed
c made

2 Don't worry, son! You have to keep _____ trying.
The best way to travel around this city is _____ foot.
a at
b on
c by

3 Excuse me, sir! I think you've _____ something!
The temperature _____ suddenly this morning.
a cut
b dropped
c lost

4 The man was quite tall and of _____ build.
I'll have a _____ rare steak, please.
a middle
b mild
c medium

5 My favourite band _____ in my city last week.
The surgeon _____ an emergency operation on the accident victim.
a played
b performed
c made

TASK 4

1 She played the leading _____ in our school play.
Teenagers need positive _____ models that they can look up to.
a role
b part
c example

2 It is commonly known that World War II _____ out in 1939.
Somebody _____ into our flat when we were on holiday.
a came
b burgled
c broke

3 Are you _____ any sharp objects with you, sir?
They're _____ out the experiment in the school lab.
a taking
b carrying
c hiding

4 In British schools, parents pay a fine if their children _____ classes.
I've been away for so long that I'm beginning to _____ my country.
a skip
b miss
c leave

5 He tends to spend most of his free time _____ the Internet.
They've just bought a house _____ the outskirts of London.
a in
b by
c on

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TASK 5

1 Just _____ on! I'll be back in a second.
Where shall we _____ the still life? Below your portrait?
a hang
b put
c take

2 I'm going in your direction, so I'll _____ you home.
This noise from the street is beginning to _____ me mad.
a take
b drop
c drive

3 I got up, _____ the bed and took a shower.
The customer was dissatisfied so he _____ a complaint.
a laid
b made
c tidied

4 I'm not interested _____ anything you have to say.
When does the next train get _____ ?
a about
b by
c in

5 I know her phone number by _____.
We found a perfect house in the _____ of New York.
a memory
b centre
c heart

TASK 6

1 Can you give me a recipe for a traditional British main _____?
Eight students from my class have signed up for an evening History _____.
a course
b meal
c dish

2 The music's too loud. Can you _____ the volume down a little bit?
Don't _____ around! Your ex-girlfriend is sitting behind you in the corner.
a put
b turn
c make

3 I'm really fed _____ with this weather. It's been raining for two weeks.
Peter, can you tidy _____ your room today?
a at
b out
c up

4 Could I borrow your phone? Mine's got a _____ battery.
The countryside was completely _____. There were no mountains in sight.
a dead
b flat
c clean

5 You can use that bottle _____ to get rid of empty bottles.
Let's have a picnic by the river _____ on Saturday!
a bin
b coast
c bank

TASK 7

1 Unfortunately, I did not manage to _____ the bills today – the bank was closed.
Could you stop talking? You must _____ attention in class.
a pay
b draw
c book

2 What's that actor's name? It's on the _____ of my tongue.
We gave the waiter a big _____ for his excellent service.
a tip
b end
c top

3 When will you make up your _____ ?
To my _____, this plan won't succeed.
a opinion
b belief
c mind

4 All the paparazzi knew the actress had _____ in at the Ritz Hotel.
Have you _____ that all the doors are locked?
a checked
b stayed
c ensured

5 Ukraine is trying to _____ up with the biggest EU countries.
He didn't _____ the 7.15 bus so he had to take a taxi to work.
a put
b catch
c take

TASK 8

1 There isn't enough _____ in the wardrobe for this suitcase.
The changing _____ is at the back of the shop.
a place
b room
c space

2 She works as a personal _____ at the local gym.
Mum, have you seen my other red _____? I can't find it in my room.
a coach
b assistant
c trainer

3 His latest album goes on _____ next week.
I've heard that our neighbours' house is for _____.
a offer
b rent
c sale

4 We'd like to start the meeting so could you please _____ your seats?
How long does it _____ you to get to school?
a have
b take
c get

5 How are you _____ on with your new classmates?
My brother and his fiancée are _____ married soon.
a getting
b becoming
c doing

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TASK 9

1 I think you're overreacting. I'm not laughing _____ you.
Thanks for telling me all this. Now I know that _____ least you're honest with me.
a for
b at
c from

2 The lift is out of _____. We need to take the stairs.
All the books in the library are in alphabetical _____.
a function
b operation
c order

3 Why are you trying to change the _____?
Maths is not my favourite school _____.
a topic
b subject
c theme

4 I've _____ on a diet many times in my life.
The company has _____ bankrupt after three months.
a gone
b been
c put

5 The _____ from the balcony was amazing.
His point of _____ is quite interesting.
a sight
b view
c look

TASK 10

1 I desperately need a job. Where can I get information on job _____?
I'm sorry, we have no _____ at the moment. We're fully booked for the weekend.
a adverts
b vacancies
c offers

2 The party was a disaster because nobody showed _____.
It's _____ to you what subjects you want to study in the future.
a over
b up
c in

3 This puzzle is too difficult for me. I can't _____ out the answer.
We need to get rid of that old printer. It doesn't _____ anymore.
a think
b make
c work

4 It is commonly believed that nurses are _____ paid.
My grandfather was _____ injured in the war.
a poorly
b slightly
c badly

5 I should get an alarm _____ in my car.
There was a nice _____ carpet on the floor in her room.
a fitted
b installed
c fixed

TASK 11

1 How did you come up _____ this solution?
Is hip hop still popular _____ young people?
a for
b about
c with

2 Josh, could you _____ the table before dinner, please?
How many eggs do sea turtles normally _____?
a set
b lay
c have

3 I promised my parents that I'd do the _____ after dinner.
The restaurant opposite our house serves delicious Italian _____.
a meals
b plates
c dishes

4 There were about 60 guests at my sister's wedding _____.
Ask the man at _____ what time we should leave the room tomorrow.
a ceremony
b party
c reception

5 He's been _____ with shoplifting three times so far.
I think the plumber _____ us too much for the repairs.
a charged
b accused
c released

TASK 12

1 I'm afraid the meat has gone _____. It smells horrible.
It's really hot in here. You can take _____ your jacket.
a out
b over
c off

2 I think I'll _____ another glass of orange juice, please.
You look really tired. Why don't you _____ a rest?
a order
b take
c have

3 Unfortunately the situation soon got out of _____ and we had to call the police.
Could you give me a _____ here? I can't do it on my own.
a control
b hand
c help

4 They've just bought a lovely house _____ the suburbs.
One _____ three people think that he will be the next president.
a in
b on
c over

5 He'll _____ his A-level exams in May.
I've never managed to _____ through that film.
a sit
b pass
c take