

C2.2 UNIT 10

Exercise 1. Complete the sentences with an idiom. You have to use the word given and you cannot change it. Use from 3 to 6 words.

1. I was nervous, but the whole plan went off smoothly.
(hitch)
I was nervous, but the whole plan went off _____.
2. I'm terrible at math, so I have to work hard if I want to improve my grade in Algebra.
(uphill)
I'm terrible at math, so I have a real _____ ahead of me if I want to improve my grade in Algebra.
3. The country's water shortage was a problem that prevented some people from investing there.
(block)
The country's water shortage was a _____ to investors.
4. Many people believe that the problems we have in education. Cannot be solved just spending on schools.
(at)
Many people agree that _____ our schools is not enough to solve the problems we have in education.
5. The most important part of survival is no doubt internal security.
(half)
Internal security is certainly _____ for survival.
6. Mark is debating about whether or not he should keep the money he found in the park.
(in)
Mark is _____ about whether or not he should keep the money he found in the park.
7. Years back my clothing was old and torn, now I wear silk stockings.
(tatters)
Years back my clothing was _____, now I wear silk stockings.
8. The government says it only wants to privatize one or two railway lines, but I think it's the beginning of a bigger problem.They'll all be privatised soon.
(thin)
The government says it only wants to privatize one or two railway lines, but I think it's _____.They'll all be privatised soon.

Exercise 2. Use the right collocations, phrasal verbs or expressions from the box to fill in the gaps. Make the necessary changes.

take the cake	take your hat off	take somebody out	take after somebody
take somebody in	take the biscuit	take something apart	take somebody off

1. You _____ your grandfather. You both have the same nose and mouth.
2. The mechanic had to _____ the motor _____ to see what was making the noise.
3. Don't be _____ by products claiming to help you lose weight in a week.
4. The soldiers said that they were trying to _____ the snipers.
5. You have said some stupid things in the past, but this _____.
6. She is really happy because her business has really _____.
7. There were so many good performances this evening but Sandra's piano solo really _____.
8. I _____ my hat to that organization for providing help when no one else does.

Exercise 3. Use the right form of the words given to fill in the gaps.

weave	goose	hoof	alumnus
mouse	louse	foot	tread

1. My grandma has _____ a beautiful wool scarf for me
2. It is in the nature of budgetary control that there always has to be somebody who feels their toes have been _____ on.
3. Cows with sore _____ eat less, reduce their production and show less activity.
4. When the cat's away, the _____ will play.
5. I saw children whose heads had been shaved because of lice.
6. Flocks of _____ and other birds come to the islands from the north (Bunge and Toll), as also the gull *Lestris pomarina*, which feeds chiefly on the lemming.
7. The floor felt uneven under his _____.
8. Both my mother and father are _____ of the University of Virginia.