

Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

- 1 Imagine finding a sheep's tooth in a packet of peanuts, a dead spider in your frozen pizza or broken glass in a bread roll. These are just a few of the items that found their _____ on to consumers' tables last year, according to a report on consumer complaints by Alan Richards.

Write a new sentence as similar as possible in meaning to the original sentence by using the word given. This word must not be altered in any way.

- 2 I inherited this old table from my grandmother
handed

- 3 Dave began the race badly because he failed to hear the starter's whistle.
got

Finish each of the following sentences so that it is as similar as possible to the sentence printed before it.

- 4 The organizers were disappointed by the small number of people attending the conference.

Much to the

Choose the word or phrase – A, B, C, or D – which best completes each sentence.

- 5 His memory was _____ by something he saw in the newspaper.
A) nudged B) jolted C) jogged D) prodded
- 6 Sue found playing the difficult part of Marilyn Monroe on a stage a _____ order.
A) Big B) high C) great D) tall

Complete the second sentence, using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 7 The manager didn't think it was reasonable of you to complain so much about the hotel room.
justified
The hotel manager didn't think you _____
_____ a fuss about the room.

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- 8 You will need to go to the McCarthy Brothers Farm Supply Store or 'Mac's Store', as it is known in this area, on 16th Street. They have a sale on at the moment with _____ to 50% off everything.
- 9 Pressure groups such as Greenpeace and Friends of the Earth have done a considerable amount to change the attitude of the general public towards environmental problems. Unless radical practical measures are implemented quickly, in years to come, the situation will only worsen. _____ the way things were in the past, from now on we will not be able to get by on our current reserves of energy sources and we will have to look elsewhere for alternatives.

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Scientists have recently launched a cosmic directory that lists the planets and moons most likely to (10) _____ alien life. The catalogue ranks the habitability of planets and moons according to three criteria: their surface temperature, their similarity to Earth, and their capacity to (11) _____ organisms at the bottom of the food chain.

10 A) shield B) protect C) harbour D) safeguard

11 A) uphold B) sustain C) maintain D) preserve

Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits in the space.

12 However pervasive technology becomes in the future, we need to think critically and to learn how to assess its _____
(COMING) as well as its advantages in order to make discerning use of it in our lives.

13 Since aquatic organisms are sensitive to acid, they could become _____
(DANGER) species in the future.

Read the text below and think of the word – A, B, C, or D – which best fits each space.

Planetary Artistry

By Johanna Kieniewicz

For me, the highlight of this past week's science news was the images (14) back from the Curiosity rover, providing (15) geologic evidence that water flowed on Mars. Of course, this wasn't exactly a surprise; for decades, planetary scientists have suggested the channel networks visible in spacecraft imagery couldn't have been made by anything else. The evidence has been (16) as well, as various clay minerals and iron oxides have been identified through hyperspectral imagery.

Nonetheless, I suspect that the image of definitely water-lain (17) made the heart of more than one geologist (18) a beat. Ground truth. You could argue that the scientific exploration of the extra-terrestrial is, at least in part, a search for meaning: to position us within a larger cosmology. But our fascination with, and connection to, what we see in the night sky comes not just through science, but also through art. So it should (19) no surprise that scientific images of planetary surfaces have provided inspiration to a range of artists from Galileo - whose first sketches of the moon through a telescope are (20) beautiful - to Barbara Hepworth - whose interpretations of the lunar surface are far less literal.

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| 14. | A. thrown | B. shot | C. beamed | D. fired |
| 15. | A. final | B. conclusive | C. proven | D. guaranteed |
| 16. | A. swelling | B. expanding | C. increasing | D. mounting |
| 17. | A. sediments | B. dross | C. grounds | D. matter |
| 18. | A. slip | B. lose | C. skip | D. jump |
| 19. | A. be as | B. catch by | C. take by | D. come as |
| 20. | A. truly | B. doubtlessly | C. surely | D. totally |

Writing

Write a short text (around 350 words) about the following topic:

Developing primary and integrated skills in the context of ESL courses in the context of Italian universities. Give an example of an activity which involves the use of new technologies in education.