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# English

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# TOPIC BOOSTER



# CLOZE TEST



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In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.



Naval architects never claim that a ship is unsinkable, but sinking of the passenger-and-car ferry Estonia in the Baltic surely should never (1) \_\_\_\_\_. It was well designed and carefully (2) \_\_\_\_\_. It carried the proper number of lifeboats. It had been (3) \_\_\_\_\_ inspected the day of its fatal voyage. Yet hours (4) \_\_\_\_\_, the Estonia rolled over and sank in a cold, stormy night. It went down (5) \_\_\_\_\_ quickly that most of those on board, caught in their dark, flooding cabins, had no chance to save themselves.



Naval architects never claim that a ship is unsinkable, but sinking of the passenger-and-car ferry Estonia in the Baltic surely ~~should never~~ (1) *have happened*.  
Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 1.**

~~1.~~ has happened

~~2.~~ had happened

3. happened

4. have happened

5. happens



It was well designed and carefully (2) maintained It carried the proper number of lifeboats.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 2.**

Simple past  
V2

- ~~1. maintain~~ V1
- ~~2. to be maintained~~
- ~~3. maintaining~~
4. maintained
5. maintains



It had been (3) thoroughly inspected the day of its fatal voyage. Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 3**.

Careful & complete

1. steadily - rapidly
2. thoroughly
3. gradually - slow
4. immediately
5. globally



Yet hours (4) later, the Estonia rolled over and sank in a cold, stormy night.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 4**.

Early

At a time in near future

1. before
  2. latter
  3. earlier
  4. later
  5. ago
- second part of the two



So --- that

It went down (5) \_\_\_\_\_ quickly <sup>adv.</sup> that most of those on board, caught in their dark, flooding cabins, had no chance to save themselves.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 5**.

- to such a great extent
1. so
  2. such
  3. as
  4. very
  5. to





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I found that a person of large intelligence could read this beautiful language with a considerable facility without a dictionary, but I presently found that to such a \_\_\_(1)\_\_\_ a grammar could be of use at times. It is because if he does not know the were's and the was's and the maybe's and the has-beens apart, confusions and uncertainties can \_\_\_(2)\_\_\_ . He can get the idea that a thing is going to happen next week when the truth is that it has \_\_\_(3)\_\_\_ happened the week before last. Even more previously, sometimes. Examination and inquiry showed me that the adjectives and such things were frank and fair-minded and straightforward, and did not shuffle; it was the Verb that mixed the hands, it was the Verb that \_\_\_(4)\_\_\_ stability, it was the Verb that had no permanent opinion about anything, it was the Verb that was always dodging the issue and putting out the light and making all the trouble. Further examination, further \_\_\_(5)\_\_\_, and further reflection, confirmed this judgment and established beyond peradventure the fact that the Verb was the storm center.



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Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 1**.

- ~~1. body~~
- ~~2. customer~~
3. person
4. animal
5. character



It is because if he does not know the were's and the was's and the maybe's and the has-beens apart, confusions and uncertainties can arise.

apparent

Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 2.

X 1. cause

2. finish

3. disappear

emerge

F 4. arise

5. vanish

Syn



He can get the idea that a thing is going to happen next week when the truth is that it has already (3) happened the week before last .

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 3.**

1. once
2. afterward
3. next
4. behind
5. already



Examination and inquiry showed me that the adjectives and such things were frank and fair-minded and straightforward, and did not shuffle; it was the Verb that mixed the hands, it was the Verb that ~~lacked~~ <sup>(4)</sup> stability. Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 4**.

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- ~~1. want~~
- 2. lacked
- ~~3. miss~~
- ~~4. require~~
- ~~5. desire~~

Simple past  
Verb  
2<sup>nd</sup> form



Further examination, further inquiry (5), and further reflection, confirmed this judgment and established beyond peradventure the fact that the Verb was the storm center.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 5**.

- ✓ 1. inquiry
- 2. study
- 3. request
- 4. scrutiny
- 5. poll



In the following passage, some words have been deleted.  
Select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.





Reports in recent weeks suggest that Russian intelligence gravely miscalculated the Ukrainian \_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_ before the war. When the Kyiv regime stayed put in the face of Russia's multi-axis assault, the Russian generals had to change their \_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_, from lightning strikes across the country to a focused ground invasion in the east. Even that was made complicated by Ukraine's resistance, which got military and financial \_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_ from the West. As the war dragged on, the West's \_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_ to punish Russia only hardened, leading to crippling sanctions on the Russian economy. So, Mr. Putin is now in a spot, despite the limited battlefield gains of his troops: managing the sanctions-hit economy itself is a tall task; continuing the war would be costly, and there is no \_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_ that he would meet his strategic goals through a long-term war.



And for Ukraine, despite its resistance capabilities and the support from the West, taking back territories using force remains \_\_\_(6)\_\_. So, to break the \_\_\_(7)\_\_, what both sides can do is agree to a ceasefire and start direct talks seeking a political solution. The UN and Turkey-mediated talks that saw a \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_ in July in shipping grain from Ukraine's ports via the Black Sea are a model worth being followed. Regional players with communication lines open to Moscow and Kyiv should \_\_\_(9)\_\_\_ them to come to the table. If a war of \_\_\_(10)\_\_\_ is allowed to grind on, it would continue to hurt all stakeholders, besides holding the global economy hostage.



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Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 1**.

1. Conveyance

✓ 2. Resistance

3. Instance

4. Ignorance

5. Relevance



When the Kyiv regime stayed put in the face of Russia's multi-axis assault, the Russian generals had to change their (2), from lightning strikes across the country to a focused ground invasion in the east.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 2**.

1. Tragedy

2. Parity

3. Dodgy

4. Prodigy

5. Strategy

*equal*

*confusing*



Even that was made complicated by Ukraine's resistance, which got military and financial (3) from the West. Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 3**.

1. Resistance ~~X~~
2. Hesitance
3. Assistance *help support*
4. Recurrence ~~X~~
5. Affluence



As the war dragged on, the West's \_\_\_(4)\_\_\_ to punish Russia only hardened, leading to crippling sanctions on the Russian economy.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 4**.

determination

1. Resolve

2. Involve

3. Evolve

4. Absolve

5. Clove

declare someone

Someone free from guilt

develop gradually



So, Mr. Putin is now in a spot, despite the limited battlefield gains of his troops: managing the sanctions-hit economy itself is a tall task; continuing the war would be costly, and there is no    (5)    that he would meet his strategic goals through a long-term war.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 5**.

1. Uncertainty

2. Sovereignty

3. Dignity

4. Certainty

5. Extremity



And for Ukraine, despite its resistance capabilities and the support from the West, taking back territories using force remains     (6)    .

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 6**.

1. Impractical
2. Economical
3. Rhetorical
4. Reciprocal
5. Radical





So, to break the \_\_\_(7)\_\_\_, what both sides can do is agree to a ceasefire and start direct talks seeking a political solution.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 7**.

1. Acclimate
2. Stalemate
3. Legitimate
4. Amalgamate
5. Inmate



The UN and Turkey-mediated talks that saw a \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_ in July in shipping grain from Ukraine's ports via the Black Sea are a model worth being followed.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 8**.

1. Borough
2. Rumor
3. Existence
4. Breakthrough
5. Thorough



Regional players with communication lines open to Moscow and Kyiv should \_\_\_(9)\_\_\_ them to come to the table.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 9**.

1. Blush
2. Crush
3. Push
4. Lush
5. Rush



If a war of \_\_\_(10)\_\_\_ is allowed to grind on, it would continue to hurt all stakeholders, besides holding the global economy hostage.

Select the most appropriate option to **fill in blank number 10**.

1. Intervention
2. Abomination
3. Expulsion
4. Revulsion
5. Attrition



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