

# "Harry and Meghan to quit

## GAP FILL social media"

Reporters are saying the Duke and Duchess of Sussex have (1) \_\_\_\_\_ social media. The Duke (formerly Prince Harry) and his wife Meghan have reportedly said goodbye to their social media (2) \_\_\_\_\_. They want to (3) \_\_\_\_\_ on their new life together in the USA. The "Sunday Times" newspaper in the UK wrote that the couple have no (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to use social media for their non-profit organisation or for their personal (5) \_\_\_\_\_. The newspaper said the couple have become sad and tired of all the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ " they see online. They both decided to step down as active (7) \_\_\_\_\_ of the British royal family last year. Since then, many people have attacked and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ them on their Instagram account.

*focus*  
*lives*  
*abandoned*  
*criticised*  
*plans*  
*members*  
*accounts*  
*hate*

Harry and Meghans' (9) \_\_\_\_\_ social media account was @sussexroyal on Instagram. They have 10.4 million (10) \_\_\_\_\_ on this account but have not posted any new (11) \_\_\_\_\_ since March 2020. A source told the "Sunday Times" that the couple were "very (12) \_\_\_\_\_ " to use social media again. Meghan has spoken out about the harm social media can do. She was the (13) \_\_\_\_\_ of many attacks after she married into Britain's royal family. She said she experienced "almost unsurvivable" online (14) \_\_\_\_\_ and cyberbullying. She added that she was the most (15) \_\_\_\_\_ person in the world in 2019. This news comes as social media companies are in the (16) \_\_\_\_\_ for suspending the accounts of US President Donald Trump.

*subject*  
*followers*  
*unlikely*  
*trolled*  
*abuse*  
*main*  
*spotlight*  
*content*

# "Biden vows to repair global alliances"

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Joe Biden has promised to re-establish global alliances in his first speech as U.S. President. Mr Biden was (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in as the 46th U.S. President on Wednesday amid (2) \_\_\_\_\_ security in Washington. In unprecedented scenes, around 25,000 National Guard troops were (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure the inauguration took place without (4) \_\_\_\_\_. In the first days of his presidency, Mr Biden will make several (5) \_\_\_\_\_ orders to change the direction of America's foreign policy. He will rejoin the Paris (6) \_\_\_\_\_ accord. Biden spoke about restoring America's (7) \_\_\_\_\_ overseas. He said: "America has been tested. And we've come out stronger for it. We will (8) \_\_\_\_\_ our alliances and engage with the world once again."

*incident*  
*climate*  
*sworn*  
*repair*  
*positioned*  
*reputation*  
*tight*  
*executive*

Outgoing President Donald Trump left office (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to "be back". His parting words to the American public were: "Have a good life, we will see you soon." Mr Trump (10) \_\_\_\_\_ with tradition by not attending his successor's inauguration. In his (11) \_\_\_\_\_ speech, Mr Trump said: "This has been an incredible four years. We've (12) \_\_\_\_\_ so much together. What we've done has been amazing by any (13) \_\_\_\_\_." He added: "It's been a great honour and (14) \_\_\_\_\_ to be your president. I will always fight for you....I wish the new (15) \_\_\_\_\_ great luck and great success. I think they will have great success. They have the foundation to do something really (16) \_\_\_\_\_."

*farewell*  
*privilege*  
*accomplished*  
*spectacular*  
*vowing*  
*administration*  
*broke*  
*standard*



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## ● Sentence Completion 1 *(low-intermediate level)*

**Directions:** Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

- Despite his **shy** personality, Carlos can be rather **outgoing** sometimes.  
A. nervous ... awkward  
B. strange ... weird  
**C. shy ... outgoing**  
D. funny ... entertaining
- I wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ the race, but my friends encouraged me to \_\_\_\_\_ running.  
A. lose ... stop  
B. quit ... continue  
C. win ... begin  
D. watch ... start
- My doctor said that I need more exercise, so I \_\_\_\_\_ the time I spend \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. increased ... running  
B. continued ... eating  
C. passed ... sleeping  
D. decreased ... jogging
- Keisha \_\_\_\_\_ the salesman's offer because the price was \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. accepted ... high  
B. rejected ... unfair  
C. took ... expensive  
D. considered ... terrible
- Tom decided not to go to school when he was \_\_\_\_\_. Instead, he rested all day to recover.  
A. young  
B. intelligent  
C. athletic  
D. sick
- Many people think rabbits love to eat carrots, but they actually \_\_\_\_\_ lettuce.  
A. hate  
B. consume  
C. grow  
D. prefer
- Although it is \_\_\_\_\_ outside, Quincy is not wearing a \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cool ... hat  
B. warm ... scarf  
C. hot ... shirt  
D. cold ... jacket
- Brian was worried that he would be late for school, so he \_\_\_\_\_ out the front door.  
A. wandered  
B. ran  
C. danced  
D. drove
- Samantha \_\_\_\_\_ the test to get her driver's license. She will try again tomorrow.  
A. noticed  
B. took  
C. passed  
D. failed
- Sherita can play soccer very well. She is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. talented  
B. pretty  
C. clumsy  
D. smart



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## ● Sentence Completion 2 *(low-intermediate level)*

**Directions:** Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

- Mr. Marley is usually very \_\_\_\_\_, but last Christmas he gave one thousand dollars to charity. How \_\_\_\_\_!  
A. ugly ... beautiful  
B. selfish ... generous  
C. greedy ... terrible  
D. sarcastic ... funny
- Joanna makes delicious \_\_\_\_\_. She is a great \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cupcakes ... baker  
B. songs ... singer  
C. bread ... artist  
D. paintings ... teacher
- Because this suit was on sale, I got it for a \_\_\_\_\_ price.  
A. higher  
B. similar  
C. lower  
D. worse
- Anita doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ the lesson, so she \_\_\_\_\_ a question.  
A. like ... ignores  
B. understand ... asks  
C. fail ... has  
D. learn ... answers
- Caleb hates \_\_\_\_\_. He does not eat lettuce or carrots.  
A. sports  
B. cats  
C. cooking  
D. vegetables
- Gary is \_\_\_\_\_. He always says "please" and "thank you."  
A. polite  
B. ugly  
C. artistic  
D. strong
- David is \_\_\_\_\_. He is about to give a speech in front of a large audience and he is afraid of public speaking.  
A. patient  
B. nervous  
C. angry  
D. frustrated
- I am afraid of flying. For this reason, I do not like to ride in \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. submarines  
B. trains  
C. limousines  
D. airplanes
- My family went to the \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday. We saw two \_\_\_\_\_ and a giraffe.  
A. airport ... helicopters  
B. beach ... shells  
C. zoo ... elephants  
D. supermarket ... tomatoes
- English is \_\_\_\_\_, but math is \_\_\_\_\_!  
A. hard ... easy  
B. great ... good  
C. fun ... weird  
D. new ... interesting



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## ● Sentence Completion 2 *(high-intermediate level)*

**Directions:** Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

- Mr. Hawkins' philosophy course gets \_\_\_\_\_ quickly, even though the school has increased the maximum enrollment limit twice already.
  - started
  - full
  - empty
  - completed
  - expired
- It took Miranda years of substance abuse counseling to finally achieve \_\_\_\_\_; she now leads a healthy life free from drugs and alcohol.
  - sobriety
  - assistance
  - dignity
  - addiction
  - depression
- Josh lets procrastination get the best of him; he \_\_\_\_\_ completed his project the night before it was due, resulting in a sloppy presentation.
  - patiently
  - slowly
  - hastily
  - nervously
  - carefully
- Under ordinary circumstances, the board would never \_\_\_\_\_ such behavior, but due to the \_\_\_\_\_ status of the CEO, her wrongdoing was casually overlooked.
  - allow ... average
  - suppose ... questionable
  - suspect ... wavering
  - condone ... special
  - reprimand ... important
- Most people consider torture \_\_\_\_\_ because it is an act of cruelty. However, some assert that it is \_\_\_\_\_ and can actually help save lives.
  - offensive ... dangerous
  - amazing ... crucial
  - horrible ... irrelevant
  - wrong ... necessary
  - terrible ... unforgivable
- Health insurance prevents routine medical visits from becoming too \_\_\_\_\_ for the average citizen. Without insurance, seeing a doctor can be very expensive.
  - helpful
  - easy
  - costly
  - valuable
  - advantageous
- Although they have always done things \_\_\_\_\_ in the past, the twins felt it was crucial that they experience college \_\_\_\_\_, and foster a healthy sense of independence.
  - jointly ... collectively
  - joyfully ... happily
  - simultaneously ... commonly
  - individually ... alone
  - together ... separately
- Instead of playing with \_\_\_\_\_ toy, Daphne always chooses the same one. She tells everyone that it is her favorite.
  - an educational
  - an expensive
  - a wooden
  - a new
  - a shiny



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## ● Sentence Completion 1 *(high-intermediate level)*

**Directions:** Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

1. Despite the unfavorable attention brought on by the media, the press had a **positive** effect on the campaign.  
A. positive  
B. negative  
C. inert  
D. amplified  
E. equal
2. It is no secret that prison can be rather \_\_\_\_\_; grim conditions and severe treatment have been known to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most hardened criminals.  
A. cruel ... entertain  
B. harsh ... dishearten  
C. pleasant ... encourage  
D. strange ... prevent  
E. hard ... ridicule
3. Although Kate's report on her scientific findings was lengthy, the presentation she held was rather \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. brief  
B. neutral  
C. mundane  
D. straightforward  
E. elaborate
4. The new building was expansive; its \_\_\_\_\_ foundation allowed for wider hallways than the previous building.  
A. shallow  
B. small  
C. broad  
D. fancy  
E. thin
5. The famous pop singer tragically died at age fifty. This was an \_\_\_\_\_ event for his \_\_\_\_\_ fans.  
A. awful ... healthy  
B. amazing ... dubious  
C. unthinkable ... devoted  
D. amicable ... strange  
E. emotional ... heavy
6. Unlike the misleading television documentary, the biography was \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. interesting  
B. accurate  
C. fantastic  
D. phony  
E. false
7. The doctor takes note of any \_\_\_\_\_ blemishes on the patient's skin; such abnormalities are often \_\_\_\_\_ of skin cancer.  
A. irregular ... symptoms  
B. typical ... clues  
C. interesting ... signs  
D. small ... indications  
E. common ... causes
8. Psychopaths \_\_\_\_\_ inflict harm on others because they lack a moral compass.  
A. sympathetically  
B. desperately  
C. politely  
D. viciously  
E. carefully



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## ● Sentence Completion 1 *(low-advanced SAT level)*

**Directions:** Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

- My grandmother never tried to hide her prejudices. Unfortunately, she was always a **blatant** racist.  
A.  blatant  
B. bitter  
C. tolerant  
D. covert  
E. subtle
- My physics professor gets off topic very easily. She spent most of today's lesson on a completely unrelated \_\_\_\_\_ about her favorite TV show.  
A. monologue  
B. tangent  
C. diatribe  
D. discussion  
E. lecture
- I fell off my bicycle and landed on some sharp broken glass. As a result, I now have several \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. lacerations  
B. analgesics  
C. surgeries  
D. contusions  
E. aches
- The governor refused to give the criminal \_\_\_\_\_; he faces execution tomorrow morning.  
A. a trial  
B. an appeal  
C. a sentence  
D. a reprieve  
E. a hearing
- The city remained \_\_\_\_\_ for years after the hurricane's destruction. Efforts to rebuild were largely \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. blighted ... successful  
B. underwater ... effective  
C. barren ... isolated  
D. robust ... wasteful  
E. desolate ... abortive
- Until the police were finally able to \_\_\_\_\_ it, the security camera's footage was blurry and inconclusive. They later used the images to \_\_\_\_\_ the criminal.  
A. enhance ... identify  
B. review ... arrest  
C. manipulate ... release  
D. watch ... capture  
E. sharpen ... exonerate
- The outspoken atheist is a harsh critic of religion. His comments seem like \_\_\_\_\_ to many faithful believers.  
A. beatitudes  
B. worship  
C. liturgy  
D. dogma  
E. blasphemy
- \_\_\_\_\_ clearly when giving a speech. You will be misunderstood if you slur your speech or \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Pontificate ... whisper  
B. Enunciate ... mumble  
C. Speak ... articulate  
D. Murmur ... drawl  
E. Blather ... drone