
1. I read the newspaper every day to keep up with _____ events.

- a) real
- b) actual
- c) current
- d) actually

2. This book is so good – soon people will be describing it as a _____ novel.

- a) class
- b) classic
- c) classical
- d) classically

3. I thought for a long time, and _____ the end I decided to take the job.

- a) in
- b) on
- c) at
- d) to

4. I've been given a really exciting _____ to go and study in China.

- a) chance
- b) opportunity
- c) possibility
- d) probability

5. I sometimes find it difficult to _____ social gatherings with my wife's family.

- a) fit to
- b) fit in at
- c) suit
- d) suit myself to

6. He was an extremely _____ child; he would get upset very easily.

- a) sensible
- b) sensate
- c) sense
- d) sensitive

ANSWERS

1. I read the newspaper every day to keep up with _____ events.

- a) real - 'Real' is the opposite of 'imaginary'. There's a better word we can choose here.
- b) actual - In English 'actual' doesn't refer to something that's happening at the moment; it means something like 'real'.
- c) current - Well done! This is the correct answer.**
- d) actually - 'Actually' is an adverb, and we need an adjective here.

2. This book is so good – soon people will be describing it as a _____ novel.

- a) class - This word doesn't work here.
- b) classic - Well done! This is the correct answer.**
- c) classical - 'Classical' normally refers to ancient Greece or Rome.
- d) classically - This word is an adverb. We need an adjective here.

3. I thought for a long time, and _____ the end I decided to take the job.

- a) in - Well done! This is the correct answer.**
- b) on - This doesn't work here.
- c) at - 'At the end' is normally followed by 'of', and it doesn't work in this context.
- d) to - This doesn't work here.

4. I've been given a really exciting _____ to go and study in China.

- a) chance - This word doesn't work here.
- b) opportunity - Well done! This is the correct answer.**
- c) possibility - This word doesn't work here.
- d) probability - This word doesn't work here.

5. I sometimes find it difficult to _____ social gatherings with my wife's family.

a) fit to - This doesn't work here.

b) fit in at - Well done! This is the correct answer.

c) suit - This word doesn't work here.

d) suit myself to - This phrase doesn't work here.

6. He was an extremely _____ child; he would get upset very easily.

a) sensible - 'Sensible' means reasonable or rational. The meaning doesn't work in this sentence.

b) sensate - 'Sensate' is a relatively unusual, technical word, which means 'having physical sensations'. The meaning doesn't work in this sentence.

c) sense - 'Sense' is a noun or a verb. We need an adjective here.

d) sensitive - Well done! This is the correct answer.

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