



Task № 1. Choose the most suitable word to fill each space.

At (1) ... three people have died and hundreds have been injured (2) ... a rare tornado tore through southeastern Czech Republic on Thursday.

Drone footage showed the extent of the (3) ..., with several towns and villages overturned (4) ... the storm. Winds of at least 219 kmph (5) ..., and the worst-hit areas were said to look like a war zone. Hail stones (6) ... size of tennis balls were reported, and local officials said that (7) ... string of villages had suffered substantial damage along a 25-kilometer stretch of road heading from Breclav to Hodonin.

A state of emergency has been declared in some regions while emergency workers continue to search for (8) ... people. They were joined by their counterparts from (9) ... Austria and Slovakia.

A few hundred tornadoes cross Europe every year; however, many are (10)

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| 1) A last | B least | C liberty | D a loss |
| 2) A after | B before | C during | D while |
| 3) A hardship | B casualty | C impairment | D damage |
| 4) A at | B by | C of | D with |
| 5) A record | B recorded | C have been recorded | D were recorded |
| 6) A -- | B a | C an | D the |
| 7) A -- | B a | C an | D the |
| 8) A injury | B injuring | C injured | D being injured |
| 9) A neighbor | B neighboring | C neighbored | D being neighbored |
| 10) A report | B reporting | C reported | D unreported |

Task № 2. Complete the sentences with synonyms to the word 'damage'. The first letter and the number of letters are given.

- 1) Don't drop the bananas – they b...[6 letters] easily.
- 2) Police are investigating allegations of c...[10 letters] involving senior executives.
- 3) Robert was killed in a car a...[8 letters].
- 4) The court case will do great h...[4 letters] to my business.
- 5) The flood last year was a terrible c...[11 letters] in which many people died.
- 6) The hurricane passed, leaving a trail of d...[11 letters] in its wake.
- 7) The p...[9 letters] of the forest has seriously affected plant life and wildlife.
- 8) The ship sank with great l...[4 letters] of life.
- 9) When the w...[5 letters] is healed, the pain is forgotten.
- 10) William has a visual i...[10 letters] in the left eye.

Task № 3. Match idioms about sport (1-9) to their description (A-I).

1	The ball's in your court	A	To say or do something unexpected to someone
2	A horse in this race	B	A powerful, influential person

3	Curveball	C	It's your turn to make an offer or decision
4	Ballpark figure	D	To succeed brilliantly
5	Get the ball rolling	E	To complete a series of tasks in order to satisfy someone
6	Heavy hitter	F	To have no preference in the outcome of a competition
7	Hit it out of the park	G	To do something to begin a process
8	Jump through hoops	H	To give up, admit defeat
9	Throw in the towel	I	A rough estimate
10	Right off the bat	J	At the very beginning, immediately

Task № 4. Fill in the gaps with ONE word, a postposition.

- 1) Elizabeth will pick me ... at the station.
- 2) The Browns have gone to the airport to see their daughter
- 3) Bill and Jane decided to leave that hotel and checked ... in the morning.
- 4) Alice got ... at the last bus station and went home.
- 5) Kate was wondering if Jack could speed things ... a bit.
- 6) Linda understood that she got ... the wrong bus.
- 7) My friends set ... at sunset for a night's fishing.
- 8) The young couple was hoping to get ... for the weekend.
- 9) Ronda's mother was late for her daughter's birthday party as she was held ... at work.
- 10) William got ... the car and pulled the door shut.

Task № 5. Find mistakes in the lines, some of them are correct. In each line only ONE mistake is possible. There are three examples at the beginning of the extract (0 – spelling mistake; 00 – correct; 000 – unnecessary word).

<i>The Great Barrier Reef</i>	
The Great Barrier Reef is the network of 2,500 reafts covering 248,000 square	0. <i>reefs</i>
kilometers off Australia's northeast coast. It's an awe-inspiring natural habitat	00. +
that's home to many of sea life, and it's been the World Heritage-listed since	000. <i>the</i>
1981. However, the reef's health is under increasing treat from climate change	1.
and rising ocean temperatures. A report said that there was no any doubt that the	2.
network of colorful corals suffered significantly from bleaching that was caused	3.
by unusually warm ocean temperatures in 2016, 2017, and least year. The report	4.
came from the U.N. World Heritage Committee had released last week. The report	5.
recommends that the ecosystem bee added to UNESCO's List of World Heritage	6.
in Danger. Australia government officials have been voiced anger at the report,	7.
saying that any downgrade of the reef's status could reduce tourism revenue for	8.
the country because a fewer people would be attracted to an unhealthy	9.
environment and dad coral. Besides that, it would likely include tougher action to	10.
reduce Australia's greenhouse gas emissions.	