



● **Sentence Completion 10** *(high-beginning level)*

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

1. Julie and Ray _____ in the _____.
A. cook ... bedroom
B. fish ... hotel
C. play ... park
D. eat ... library
2. The barber uses _____ to cut _____.
A. a knife ... paper
B. scissors ... hair
C. a shovel ... dirt
D. a hammer ... nails
3. My dad _____ food in the _____.
A. prepares ... bathroom
B. cooks ... kitchen
C. bakes ... bedroom
D. eats ... attic
4. Sammy carries a _____ of water with him at all times.
A. lake
B. bottle
C. plate
D. pool
5. Thomas uses a shovel, rake, and wheelbarrow at work. He is _____.
A. a landscaper
B. a teacher
C. a police officer
D. an engineer
6. Soccer is a game that you play with your _____. Basketball is a game that you play with your _____.
A. head ... fingers
B. arms ... legs
C. feet ... hands
D. shoulders ... neck
7. The police arrested the thief who _____ my brother's car.
A. washed
B. built
C. stole
D. bought
8. A _____ is used to _____.
A. spoon ... drink
B. shovel ... build
C. toothbrush ... wash
D. recipe ... cook
9. Mr. Gibbard is in a _____. He _____ the guitar.
A. car ... uses
B. band ... plays
C. school ... sings
D. house ... drinks
10. Playing in a _____ street is _____.
A. sweet ... tasty
B. pretty ... fun
C. clean ... dirty
D. busy ... dangerous

Answers and Explanations

1) **C**

It makes sense for Julie and Ray to *play* in the *park*. Choice **(C)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because you do not *cook* in a *bedroom*. The kitchen is the proper room to cook in.

(B) is incorrect because you do not *fish* in a *hotel*. Most hotels do not have fish in them.

(D) is incorrect because you do not *eat* in a *library*. Libraries are places to study.

2) **B**

The barber uses *scissors* to cut *hair*. You can also use scissors to cut many other things. Choice **(B)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because a *knife* is usually used to cut *food*, not paper. You use scissors to cut paper.

(C) is incorrect because you do not use a *shovel* to cut anything. You use a shovel to dig.

(D) is incorrect because you do not use a *hammer* to cut anything. You use a hammer to hit.

3) **B**

The *kitchen* is a part of the house where you *cook* food. Choice **(B)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because it does not make sense to say my dad *prepares* food in the *bathroom*. You use the toilet and take a shower in the bathroom.

(C) is incorrect because it does not make sense to say my dad *bakes* food in the *bedroom*. You sleep in the bedroom.

(D) is incorrect because it does not make sense to say my dad *eats* food in the *attic*. You store things in the attic.

4) **B**

A *bottle* can be filled with water and carried around easily. This is the only answer choice that makes sense. Choice **(B)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because you cannot carry a *lake*. A lake is in the ground, so no one can carry it.

(C) is incorrect because although you can carry a *plate*, you cannot fill it with water.

(D) is incorrect because you cannot carry a *pool*. A pool is in the ground, so no one can carry it.

5) **A**

A *landscaper* is someone who works in a garden to grow beautiful plants and trees. Landscapers commonly use shovels, rakes, and wheelbarrows when they are working. Choice (A) is correct.

(B) is incorrect because *teachers* do not use shovels, rakes, and wheelbarrows. They use other tools in their jobs.

(C) is incorrect because *police officers* do not use shovels, rakes, and wheelbarrows. They use other tools in their jobs.

(D) is incorrect because *engineers* do not use shovels, rakes, and wheelbarrows. They use other tools in their jobs.

6) **C**

Soccer is a game that you play with your feet. Basketball is a game that you play with your hands. Choice (C) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because soccer is not a game that you play with your *head*. Basketball is not a game that you play with your *fingers*.

(B) is incorrect because soccer is not a game that you play with your *arms*. Basketball is not a game that you play with your *legs*.

(D) is incorrect because soccer is not a game that you play with your *shoulders*. Basketball is not a game that you play with your *neck*.

7) **C**

A thief is someone who steals things. If a thief *stole* (the past tense of *steal*) a car, the police try to find that thief and bring him or her to justice. Choice (C) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because a thief would not *wash* my brother's car.

(B) is incorrect because a thief would not *build* my brother's car.

(D) is incorrect because a thief would not *buy* my brother's car.

8) **D**

A recipe contains instructions and ingredients for cooking. Therefore a *recipe* is used to *cook*. Choice **(D)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because a *spoon* is not used to *drink*. A spoon is used to eat.

(B) is incorrect because a *shovel* is not used to *build*. A shovel is used to dig.

(C) is incorrect because a *toothbrush* is not used to *wash*. A shovel is used to clean.

9) **B**

A *band* is a group of musicians who *play* music together. If Mr. Gibbard plays the guitar with a group of other musicians, he is in a band. Choice **(B)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because *car* and *uses* do not make sense in the spaces.

(C) is incorrect because *school* and *sings* do not make sense in the spaces.

(D) is incorrect because *house* and *drinks* do not make sense in the spaces.

10) **D**

It is dangerous to play in a busy street. Therefore, it makes sense to say that *playing* in a busy street is *dangerous*. Choice **(D)** is correct.

(A) is incorrect because *sweet* and *tasty* do not make sense in the spaces.

(B) is incorrect because *pretty* and *fun* do not make sense in the spaces.

(C) is incorrect because *clean* and *dirty* do not make sense in the spaces.