WORD FORMATION SPEAKING

B2-C1



Complete the gaps with words derived from the ones given and answer the questions.

How can we encourage greater _____ (SUSTAIN) in everyday life?

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What is the most _____ (CONTROVERSY) topic in your country at the moment?

2

What does _____ (PROSPER) mean to you?

3

What do you think is the most _____ (SIGNIFY) invention of the last century?

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What would you do to _____ (SIMPLE) your life?

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Who is the oldest person in your family? What do you think is the secret of their _____ (LONG)?

6

Have you ever experienced a significant _____ (SET) in your professional career? How did you overcome it?

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If you were forced to tighten your belt and _____ (ECONOMY), what spending would you limit first?

8

When was the last time someone left you absolutely _____ (SPEECH)? What happened?

9

Do you find shopping _____ (THERAPY)? Can buying something really improve your mood?

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Do you believe that in the future we will rely _____ (EXCLUDE) on renewable sources of energy?

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How would you describe your attitude towards homeless people: sympathetic, _____ (DIFFER) or hostile?

12

Have you ever witnessed an unusual _____ (OCCUR) that you simply couldn't explain?

13

Do you believe the _____ (LOOK) for the future is bright?

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Would you hire an _____ (INTERNAL) designer to help you design your new home?

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Should all secondary school students be required to do _____ (VOLUNTEER) work? 16

When you catch a cold or the flu, do you usually make a _____ (SPEED) recovery? 17

Do you have a strong sense of national _____ (IDENTIFY), or do you see yourself more as a global citizen? 18

Do you think the government should limit the supply of certain resources, e.g. water, if there is a _____ (SCARCE) of them? 19

Which invention has, _____ (DOUBT), changed the way we live the most? 20

Would you be willing to _____ (LOCATE) to a country with a much colder climate than your own? 21

Will automation _____ (INEVITABLE) replace human workers in many industries? 22

What is a standard holiday _____ (TITLE) in your country? Do you think it should be increased? 23

Is there a smell, sound or taste that is _____ (MISTAKE) linked with your childhood? 24

Do you think people are becoming increasingly _____ (DEPEND) on technology? In what ways? 25

What is something you find absolutely _____ (DISPENSE) in your everyday life? 26

What is one thing that can make an otherwise enjoyable holiday completely _____ (BEAR)? 27

Do you think having a university degree is still a _____ (DESIRE) qualification in today's job market? 28

What is something you used to consider extremely difficult but can now do almost _____ (EFFORT)? 29

Do you think parents should support their children in pursuing their dreams, _____ (REGARD) of how unrealistic they might seem? 30

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Have you noticed the _____ (EMERGE) of any new trends among young people recently? 31

What do you _____ (HYPOTHESIS) will be the biggest change in the way we work over the next decade? 32

Should we _____ (ENTHUSIASTIC) about or worry about the developments in AI technology? 33

Do you think the damage humans have done to the environment is _____ (REVERSE)? 34

Is there any food you find absolutely _____ (RESIST)? 35

Should scientists be held _____ (ACCOUNT) for the consequences of their discoveries? 36

What are the main _____ (IMPLICATE) of an ageing population for your country? 37

Is the easy _____ (AVAIL) of fast food to blame for rising obesity? 38

Is a healthy dose of _____ (SCEPTIC) necessary when reading the news? 39

Has your _____ (PERCEIVE) of your hometown changed over the years? 40

Should digital _____ (LITERATE) be taught at primary school? 41

Is the media guilty of _____ (EXAGGERATE) when reporting on health scares? 42

Which ancient _____ (CIVIL) would you most like to learn more about? 43

Do you think _____ (GENETICS) should be allowed to modify human embryos to prevent hereditary diseases? 44

What is the most _____ (CONVINCE) argument you have ever heard to prove there's life in space? 45

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Answer key:

1. sustainability
2. controversial
3. prosperity
4. significant
5. simplify
6. longevity
7. setback
8. economise
9. speechless
10. therapeutic
11. exclusively
12. indifferent
13. occurrence
14. outlook
15. interior
16. voluntary
17. speedy
18. identity
19. scarcity
20. undoubtedly
21. relocate
22. inevitably
23. entitlement
24. unmistakably
25. dependent
26. indispensable
27. unbearable
28. desirable
29. effortlessly
30. regardless
31. emergence
32. hypothesise
33. enthuse
34. irreversible
35. irresistible
36. accountable
37. implications
38. availability
39. scepticism
40. perception
41. literacy
42. exaggeration
43. civilisation
44. geneticists
45. convincing