

SAY/ STATE: claim, maintain, pronounce, etc.

MAD/ MENTALLY ILL: senile, gaga, disturbed, etc.

THINK ABOUT: dwell on, mull over, weigh up, etc.

SATISFIED: rewarding, content, discontent, etc.

I. Complete the sentences, choosing the word/phrase that fits best.

1. I now .. you husband and wife. You may kiss the bride.
 - a. declare
 - b. announce
 - c. pronounce
2. He has .. his innocence throughout the 24 years of his imprisonment.
 - a. claimed
 - b. stated
 - c. maintained
3. In 1922, he was .. insane and was transferred to the City of London Mental Hospital.
 - a. certified
 - b. pronounced
 - c. asserted
4. She worked at a hostel for victims of domestic violence, and later at a home for emotionally children.
 - a. distressed
 - b. disturbed
 - c. ill
5. I ~~am~~ afraid he may .. under all this pressure.
 - a. lose his marbles
 - b. crack up
 - c. go gaga
6. The poor old lady is quite .. ó she keeps hiding things and then says we've stolen them.
 - a. mad
 - b. insane
 - c. senile
7. Give her offer .. before you accept it.
 - a. some thought
 - b. some thinking
 - c. some contemplation
8. You have to .. the pleasures of living in the country against the conveniences of living in a town.
 - a. weigh up
 - b. think over
 - c. dwell on
9. They were the idea of starting their own travel company.
 - a. weighing up
 - b. brooding on
 - c. mulling over
10. I finally realised there was no point the past. I had to live for the future.
 - a. dwelling on
 - b. mulling over
 - c. thinking over
11. This is the first opportunity for the UN to the situation in Iraq since US-led forces invaded the country.
 - a. think over
 - b. contemplate
 - c. take stock of
12. The late Douglas Adams once why it was that no language has yet produced the phrase 'as ugly as an airport'.
 - a. pondered
 - b. meditated
 - c. brooded
13. She her sorrows in silence, while her sister looked on helplessly.
 - a. contemplated
 - b. brooded over
 - c. pondered
14. Do you remember how, when we were young, we used to lie under all those beautiful stars and the vastness of the universe?
 - a. meditate
 - b. ponder
 - c. contemplate
15. This can be a very job which offers many career opportunities, but it is also very demanding.
 - a. rewarding
 - b. pleasing
 - c. satisfactory

II. Complete the sentences by inserting the single most appropriate word.

1. The police issued a(n) which confirmed that they were investigating the possibility of a link between the attacks.

2. I am furious about it, and I intend to focus my mind to the company chairman!
3. He said that he regretted his outburst and would like to take back his words.
4. OK, you've made your point. Now give him a chance to make his say.
5. They claim that they have synthesized a new drug that will help cure the disease, but this has not yet been proved.
6. The President refused to either admit or deny the rumour.
7. In this film, Nicholas Cage plays a New York ambulance driver who is slowly breaking up under the strain of his job.
8. My wish is to die before I have my marbles or need nursing home care.
9. Her elderly mother had been acting rather strangely. In fact, she had gone completely gaga.
10. If you can't sleep because you're obsessed on problems and worries, you could consider some of these relaxation techniques.
11. Bond weighed up the pros and cons of the local eating places and wondered what dishes it would be best to gamble on.
12. In the heat of the moment I lost my self-control and said some things I probably shouldn't have said.
13. It doesn't help to focus on your mistakes.
14. Before rushing into something irrevocable, let's sit back and take stock of the situation.
15. The Minister explained the VAT issue was under consideration by the Treasury.
16. "Let's stick on it," he said finally. "Something may turn up in the morning. If not, well, we'll see."
17. I could tell she had something on her mind, as she was unusually distant and quiet.
18. Being able to help so many people gives him a great sense of fulfilment.
19. He was quite a perfectionist, and was ready to spend months over the album, making sure everything was done to his satisfaction.
20. She didn't swim in the sea or play with the others, she seemed to merely to sit in the sunlight and read.

III. Translate into English paying special attention to the underlined parts.

1. _____, _____ ó _____.
2. _____, _____, _____.
3. _____ Дейли Телеграф,
4. _____:
5. _____, _____.
6. _____.
7. _____ ó _____ - _____.
8. _____, _____.
9. _____ ó _____ !
10. _____.
11. _____, _____.
12. _____ ? _____ ?
13. _____, _____.
14. _____, _____.
15. _____.