

**I. Choose the words that best complete the sentences in the text.**

Sad as it is, a social misperception of the disabled is still ..... (1) in many communities. It is only in a few highly civilised states where the problems and needs of people with physical or mental incapacities are given the proper ..... (2). In the remaining countries, the discrimination against the disabled is still practiced in many ..... (3) of social life. As in the past, they are ignored, denounced and forced to stay away from the normal community which, unfortunately, isn't capable of making any ..... (4) for its less fit members.

For decades, the ..... (5) and hearty part of every society has ..... (6) the disabled of their fundamental rights as their job applications have been ..... (7) down, their active participation in business life has on most ..... (8) been disallowed and there has been little concern for their convenience in ..... (9) to public transport. Equally little effort has been made to help the disabled fully ..... (10) with the able-bodied thus laying ..... (11) for greater community awareness of the drawbacks that the handicapped have to wrestle with daily.

There's an urgent need to offer the disabled more adequate assistance and support in their struggle for putting their basic rights into ..... (12). The key principle is that the stereotyped approach towards the impaired individuals ought to be ..... (13) for a more considerate one. Another pressing matter is that the disabled shouldn't be ..... (14) on the basis of their handicap, but society should rather focus on providing them with complete acceptance ..... (15) of any imperfections thus treating them as fully-fledged citizens.

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| 1. a) infinite  | b) universal     | c) abundant  | d) prevalent |
| 2. a) relevance | b) consideration | c) approach  | d) esteem    |
| 3. a) ranges    | b) fractions     | c) realms    | d) areas     |
| 4. a) accounts  | b) provisions    | c) measures  | d) concerns  |
| 5. a) hale      | b) vivid         | c) fit       | d) right     |
| 6. a) shelled   | b) sneaked       | c) seized    | d) stripped  |
| 7. a) pulled    | b) turned        | c) passed    | d) brought   |
| 8. a) occasions | b) times         | c) instances | d) events    |

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| 9. a) entry        | b) admittance   | c) access     | d) exploitation |
| 10. a) collaborate | b) incorporate  | c) ally       | d) integrate    |
| 11. a) foundations | b) bases        | c) grounds    | d) rudiments    |
| 12. a) handling    | b) operation    | c) activation | d) performance  |
| 13. a) replaced    | b) deputized    | c) exchanged  | d) substituted  |
| 14. a) measured    | b) deduced      | c) reckoned   | d) appraised    |
| 15. a) despite     | b) irrespective | c) except     | d) nonetheless  |

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1. It's almost impossible to specify how many fake banknotes are currently ..... circulation.
2. The prime minister's proposal was accepted ..... the nod by most of the Members of Parliament.
3. Come later, please. My husband doesn't like to be disturbed while he's ..... work on his new designs.

4. Don't worry about the illegibility of that report. It's been written .....  
rough and I'm going to have it rewritten clean by the secretary.
5. The new chemistry teacher may be younger and less strict, but .....  
balance I prefer the inspiring lectures of Mrs Huckley.
6. Tony objected to telling us where he'd hidden his sister's diary and we had to exact the  
truth ..... him ..... threats.
7. I've been given seven days off during which I'm going to renovate my apartment.  
In fact, ..... a pinch, three days would be enough to do everything.
8. We are able to present the latest film by Steven Spielberg only .....  
courtesy of the Film Academy.
9. Teaching him algebra will require explaining everything at least twice. He's rather slow  
..... the mark when mathematics is the matter.
10. You'd better be ..... your toes all day round in case a new alarm is  
raised.
11. Promise him extra allowances, that should get him ..... his stride with  
the cleaning work.
12. Look at Paul! He's dressed ..... to the nines today. Is he getting  
married or what?
13. No definite decision has been reached as yet. The whole case is still  
..... examination.
14. Will the new law have to be approved by the Queen before it is put  
..... operation?
15. 'Why does he look so depressed?' 'He must be ..... his wits end  
because of his wife's illness, I suppose.'