**Predicting meaning**

In each of these sentences, fill the blank space with a sensible option.

1. Shirley was an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ worker. She was enthusiastic, reliable and hard working.
2. The force ten \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ howled around the chimney pots and through the cracks in the window frames.
3. Margaret reversed her car, catching the wall and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all the paintwork on the off-side wing.
4. The weather was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hot, hot enough to melt the tarmac on the roads.
5. Unwrap the fragile crockery very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ did you want to know where I was going? Were you going to follow me?
7. The teacher gave the young child a game which would give him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in counting.
8. When James was late home, he found the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ had eaten his dinner.
9. London is an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ place to live; I can’t afford anything.
10. My mother taught me the most important \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for life.