

1 Complete each sentence with one word. All the missing words relate to the body.

- a I don't want to make any decisions until I have to. Let's just play it by _____.
 - b At some point you are going to have to _____ the music. It might as well be now as later.
 - c I really don't think it is fair. I was only twenty minutes late and my boss really jumped down my _____.
 - d Her new boyfriend really gets up my _____. I can't stand being in the same room as him for more than five minutes.
 - e There is nothing you can say that will sway my _____. I have made my decision and it is final.
 - f The move comes hot on the _____ of growing pressure for the Government to lower interest rates and cut spending.
 - g In a similar _____, he questions the idea that self-knowledge could ever be a matter of simple introspection.
 - h He had his entire future _____ to him on a plate.
- (8 marks)

2 Replace the words in brackets using a suitable expression with the word *make*.

- a I don't trust him at all. I'm sure he's (*trying to get an advantage for himself*) _____.
- b I'm so sorry! How can I ever (*compensate*) _____ for the damage?
- c The director has a lot invested in this film. It will (*result in him being remembered as a genius or a flop*) _____.
- d He put on his hat, picked up his briefcase and (*walked towards*) _____ the door, all the time trying to keep his dignity.
- e My car's awful. It's always breaking down when I need it, but I have to (*manage*) _____ with it because I can't afford a new one.

(5 marks)

3 Underline the correct word in *italics*.

- a The kidnappers managed to *prevent* / *evade* / *escape* capture for a month.
- b He was outclassed by a defender who cruelly *displayed* / *exhibited* / *exposed* his lack of pace.
- c John's behaviour in the restaurant the other night *assured* / *validated* / *reinforced* my suspicions of him.
- d Per capita, Ireland has won the *prestigious* / *honourable* / *reputable* Nobel Prize in Literature more than any other country.
- e Our politicians have yet to catch up with the fact that our country's *sphere* / *range* / *domain* of influence has declined recently.
- f If the figures hold up, this could tilt the *outcome* / *fallout* / *setback* in his favour.
- g It has demonstrated that the *ubiquitous* / *distinguished* / *mere* accumulation of data does not necessarily confer an automatic advantage.

(7 marks)

4 Complete each sentence with one or two words.

- a I caught him trying to listen _____ our conversation.
- b I don't have the time to listen to your reasons now, but I'll hear you _____ tomorrow morning.
- c Just because you are in charge today, it doesn't mean you have to throw your weight _____.
- d Stop being so pessimistic! Pull your socks _____ and get on with it.
- e They handed over reams _____ information to the defence lawyers in an attempt to bury the truth.
- f The mammoth Wimbledon semi-final match spilled _____ the next day as bad light stopped play with the score at two sets all.
- g He's energetic and enthusiastic, but I'm afraid this doesn't make _____ his lack of ability.
- h I apologized for my mistake but he just threw it _____ my face.
- i With this new software, creating beautiful images is a piece _____ cake – even a five-year-old could do it.
- j He made a right meal _____ that. All he had to do was phone the supplier, but it took him a whole day just to get the right person.

(10 marks)