

1 Read the text and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best completes each collocation or fixed phase.

A report on the notorious Fiveways School, visited recently by government (1) *B*....., was published yesterday. The report (2) inadequate strategic planning, poor (3) of teaching, and semi-derelict building conditions as being largely to blame for the problems at Fiveways, the school branded 'the worst in Europe'. Our reporters entered the school by (4) arrangement, and witnessed at (5) hand the chaos that has heaped infamy on the school. On the day of their visit, our reporters learned that one disruptive pupil had been given a 3-week (6) for punching a teacher in the face. Our reporters saw pupils virtually (7) riot, throwing stones at passers-by and verbally (8) a teacher.

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| 1) A authorities | B inspectors | C controllers | D examiners |
| 2) A highlights | B illuminates | C features | D activates |
| 3) A measures | B patterns | C standards | D specifications |
| 4) A former | B earlier | C preceding | D prior |
| 5) A original | B first | C immediate | D direct |
| 6) A expulsion | B caution | C suspension | D ban |
| 7) A running | B going | C making | D taking |
| 8) A harming | B abusing | C damaging | D oppressing |

2 Complete the extracts from two school reports. Use the words from the box.

half-hearted	respect	mature	distracted	insolent
participated	contributes	applies	concentrate	effort

Report 1

Tracey has made a big (1) *effort*..... this term, showing herself to be very (2) for her age. She (3) herself well and (4) fully to class discussions. She shows a lot of (5) towards her teachers.

Report 2

On one occasion Derek was sent home for being (1) to a teacher. In terms of effort, his work can sometimes be rather (2) He is easily (3) and finds it hard to (4) in class. Also he has not (5) in group work as well as he should.