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1 Vocabulary innovation collocations

Complete the sentences to make collocations to do with innovation.

1 Some inventions, like the washing machine, a particular ; others catch on because people just like them.
2 The company really a when they came up with the latest smartphone technology.
3 Can we take your idea further and develop the prototype?
4 Successful business people are quick to a and develop their products accordingly.
5 Let’s use our original idea. We don’t need to the here!
6 We sat in the meeting for over two hours, then Susanne finally had a about how the system might actually work.

2 Vocabulary phrasal verb come

Complete the sentences to make phrasal verbs with come.

1 Have you ever come an idea for a new invention?
2 If you come against a problem, just contact IT support.
3 David came his old driving licence which he thought he had lost years ago.
4 Her attempt at the world record nearly came , but she missed it by a fraction of a second.
5 How do new inventions come?
6 The number of sales of this new gadget will probably come to how much it costs.

3 Language focus past modals

Rewrite the responses in italics using past modals and the words in brackets.

1 A: I missed the train by about 20 seconds.
   B: I’m sure that was frustrating. (must)
   That

2 A: There are plenty of tickets left for the concert.
   B: So pre-booking our tickets wasn’t necessary. (needn’t)
   So we

3 A: Apparently they couldn’t use the car abroad as they didn’t have the right insurance.
   B: It would have been sensible to check their policy before they left. (should)
   They

4 A: The car has stopped working.
   B: Maybe it’s run out of petrol. (might)
   It

5 A: Sophia wasn’t in class today.
   B: It’s possible she forgot we were having an extra class. (well)
   She
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6 A: They’re very late.
B: *Clearly, their train has been delayed.* *(must)*
   Their train

7 A: I couldn’t find my phone yesterday.
B: *I imagine you were obliged to use your old one.* *(had)*
   I imagine

8 A: Manuela’s car is still outside.
B: *Clearly she is still here.* *(can’t)*
   She

4 Idioms partitives
Complete the sentences with partitives.

1 I’m afraid the shopping centre is very busy – I don’t think there’s a __________ of hope that you’ll find your keys.
2 What a __________ of luck meeting you here! I’m completely lost!
3 I’m so thirsty. Could I have a __________ of water, please?
4 The police didn’t pursue the complaint. There wasn’t a __________ of evidence that there had been any trouble.
5 I need to write a letter. Have you got a __________ of plain white paper?
6 He put on a brave face about not winning the race, but there was a __________ of disappointment in his voice.
7 I need to write down your address. Have you got some paper? Just a __________ will do.
8 Oh no! I’ve just felt a __________ rain – we may have to bring everything indoors.

5 Language focus probability
Rewrite the sentences so they have the same meaning. Use the words in brackets.

1 Different types of technology will probably be used in scientific research. *(chances)*
   The __________ of technology will probably be used in scientific research.

2 Many companies will almost certainly invest in the field of nanotechnology. *(likely)*
   It __________ of nanotechnology.

3 Nanotechnology will possibly help in medical research. *(could)*
   Nanotechnology __________ in medical research.

4 I think nanotechnology may be used in the home too. *(probably)*
   __________ too.

5 Homeowners will probably be able to install windows that never need cleaning. *(good)*
   There __________ windows that never need cleaning.
6 There’s no doubt that nanopackaging will also become popular. (likelihood)
The ____________ popular.

7 This technology will almost definitely continue to evolve at a great speed. (certainly)
The ____________ at a great speed.

8 Soon there’s a good chance that many solutions to medical problems using nanotechnology will be within our reach. (may well)
Soon ____________ within our reach.

6 Word focus give
Complete the sentences to make expressions with give.

1 A: I can’t believe they’ve finally given us the go-__________ to start the research.
   B: I know. It’s taken a long time, but I think our argument really persuaded them it would be a good investment.

2 A: I can’t believe he didn’t win the match.
   B: Well, he gave it its ____________ – it just wasn’t good enough on the day.

3 A: Why haven’t you finished that document yet?
   B: Give me a ____________ – I’ve only just started!

4 A: It’s difficult to make friends when you move to a new town.
   B: I know, but I’m sure if you give it ____________, you’ll meet some great new people.

5 A: A gap year? Have you given it some serious ____________?
   B: Yes, and I think it would be very beneficial in the long run.

6 A: Have you ever driven a racing car before?
   B: No, but I’m looking forward to giving it a ____________.