


Practice


1 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases from the box.

a lot of as a result for many ~~much~~ so such

- 0 There was so *much* flooding that we couldn't get back to our homes.
- 1 There was such snow we couldn't see out of the windows.
- 2 The waiter behaved rudely that I walked out of the restaurant.
- 3 It didn't rain for four months., the lakes dried up completely.
- 4 It was a lovely picture I really had to buy it.
- 5 The shop had so brands of shampoo I just didn't know which one to get.
- 6 That car's much too expensive us to buy.

2 Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first, using the word in brackets. Use four or five words in your answer.  4.28 Listen and check.

- 0 We can't go outside today because it's really cold. (for)
It's *too cold for us* to go outside today.
- 1 The chair is too uncomfortable to sit in. (comfortable)
The chair sit in.
- 2 It's possible to read the book in fifty minutes because it's short. (that)
The book you can read it in fifty minutes.
- 3 Because I'm only sixteen, I can't vote. (young)
I'm because I'm only sixteen.
- 4 We can't swim across the river because the water is moving very fast. (too)
The water for us to swim across the river.
- 5 There was such a strong wind that I could hardly stand up. (windy)
It could hardly stand up.

3 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Complete the text with one word only in each gap.  4.29 Listen and check.

Tsunami

One of the greatest natural disasters of recent years was the tsunami that occurred on 26 December 2004. It was (0) destructive

(1) more than 225,000 people were killed.

The tsunami (or tidal wave) was caused by (2) a powerful earthquake that it was felt as far away as Alaska. The result was a 30 metre-high wave which hit all the countries bordering the Indian Ocean. There was almost no warning of the tsunami. (3), very few people were prepared for it.

Many houses were destroyed because they weren't strong (4) to resist the huge wave. People who were (5) young or weak to hold on to solid objects were swept out to sea. Many of the beaches hit by the tsunami were popular with tourists. (6) a result, more than 9,000 of the casualties were European visitors. Most of the countries around the Indian Ocean didn't have (7) resources to cope with the disaster (8) it was necessary for international agencies to help in the rescue operation.

Fortunately, there was (9) much publicity that more than \$7 billion were raised worldwide – enough (10) many people to rebuild their homes.

