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I’m ___________________________ and tired of being told what I should and what I shouldn’t do. This area hasn’t had any rain for months. As a result most crops have died due to a terrible ___________________________.

Luckily, there some people around and I was rescued in the ___________________________ of time.

She was staring at the computer screen totally ___________________________. She didn’t know what to think of it.

I just can’t stop ___________________________. It is freezing here!

The manager decided not to offer him a job as he was afraid his tattoos might put ___________________________ customers.

When people come ___________________________ age, they become legally adult.

There’s no reason to panic now. Let’s ___________________________ that bridge when we come to it.

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to change or modify: ___________________________

a practical joke, an attempt to make people believe in something untrue: ___________________________

not objective, unfair, tending to favour one group over another: ___________________________

a person who deliberately sets fire to a building, car etc.: ___________________________

a film, play, performance that is very disappointing, a complete failure: ___________________________

being unable to sleep: ___________________________

a part of a car which covers the engine: ___________________________
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I know it was a bit risky but, you know, nothing , nothing gained.

GRAMMAR

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets:
I am quite self-confident and I really don’t mind being criticised.
The police carefully investigated the footage from CCTV cameras and as a result the mugger (arrest) .
They say the boss (likely / resign) next week.
When I was younger I (not / use / like) lasagna but now I love it.
I don’t know where Peter is. He (ought / arrive) over an hour ago.
She will finish the report by the end of the week.
Frank asked me if I (pass) the test.
When I arrived at the office I realized I (lose) my wallet.
If she had been driving more slowly, she (not / cause) the accident.
If you (not / stay) up so late last night, you wouldn’t feel so tired now.
Lucy decided (not / apply) for that job after all.
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pointless; having no chance of success: futile
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to change or modify: alter
a practical joke, an attempt to make people believe in something untrue: hoax
not objective, unfair, tending to favour one group over another: biased
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