

Unit 1 - Revision

LANGUAGE

1 Write the verb in brackets in the correct tense.

- 1 Time and time again, shares in this company _____ (perform) consistently well.
- 2 By that time he _____ (be) in charge of the company I think.
- 3 The firm changed its strategy in 1995 because by then it _____ (discover) that the old way of working no longer applied to the IT era.
- 4 Currently, we _____ (operate) a new system to see how it works.
- 5 Since the 1990s, the share price _____ (fall) steadily and doesn't appear to be improving.
- 6 In the coming years, this country _____ (begin) to see major changes in where the population live.
- 7 She _____ (work) as a temp at the moment.
- 8 We regularly _____ (rotate) workers on the assembly-lines to ensure motivation.
- 9 News just coming in says that Parliament _____ (vote) against the government's proposals.
- 10 Luckily, they _____ (already, move) most of their operations overseas when the employment laws in this country changed.

VOCABULARY

2 Replace the underlined words with a similar word in the box. Write your answer at the end of the sentence.

hibernate / merging / chances / a conglomerate / failure / bid / a target / instincts / predators / portfolio / excitement / core competence.

- 11 I have quite a growing collection of shares. _____
- 12 Some animals sleep through the winter. _____
- 13 They've made a hostile offer to buy. _____
- 14 Bosses are beginning to rediscover their animal spirits. _____
- 15 To motivate employees, you need to provide something to aim at. _____
- 16 In this climate, the possibilities of success are slim. _____
- 17 By joining the two companies together we could secure fast growth. _____
- 18 But many alliances can still end in lack of success. _____
- 19 We could add more value by concentrating on our most important activity. _____
- 20 General Electric is a good example of an organisation comprising several companies.

- 21 This month saw a number of the big companies behaving like hunters in search of smaller vulnerable companies. _____
- 22 Euphoria swept the market today with news of another alliance. _____