

SAMPLE FILL IN THE BLANKS
ENGLISH TEST

Name: _____

Chest Number: _____

*Instructions: Read the following passage. **One** word is missing from each of the spaces. Write **one** suitable word in each space. All words should be grammatically correct, including use of capital letters, and spelled correctly.*

Disaster in India

More than 7,000 people died within a matter (1)_____ days when toxic gas leaked (2)_____ a chemical plant in Bhopal, India. The leak began late at (3)_____ and continued for several hours unnoticed. Since (4)_____, exposure to the toxins created by the leak (5)_____ resulted in the deaths of a further 15,000 people. Many more are sick and (6)_____ to live normal lives as they have mysterious illnesses related to (7)_____ gas. The whole area (8)_____ affected by the disaster, livestock, crops, water and of (9)_____ the people living around the chemical plant from which the leak came. Many were workers at the plant. Despite trying (10)_____ get compensation for the disaster, the people (11)_____ seen no real attempt to compensate them. The company involved, UCC, has publicly denied all responsibility for the leak and the resulting damage. No-one has (12)_____ been held responsible. Finding out what happened is (13)_____ difficult. Was it a failure (14)_____ the machinery, the monitoring equipment, safety procedures or simply human error? The investigation (15)_____ the time failed to come up with an (16)_____ and now it is probably impossible to get to the truth. What is clear (17)_____ that the villagers have to travel for at least two (18)_____ to get clean water and (19)_____ still suffering 21 years after the accident (20)_____.

ANSWERS

1. of
2. from/at
3. night
4. then
5. has
6. unable/struggling/trying
7. toxic/poisonous/that/the
8. was
9. course
10. to
11. have
12. yet/ever/really/even
13. very/extremely
14. of/in
15. at
16. answer
17. is
18. hours/miles/kilometres
19. are
20. happened/occurred