

Common Errors in Usage Quiz 8: "M – O" Entries

Choose the appropriate word or expression to fill in each blank in the sentences below.

1. Batman's (1) _____ life was so grim that he was in serious (2) _____ a kitten to cuddle with.

- (1) outlook of
- (1) outlook on
- (2) need of
- (2) need for

2. Wonder Woman's (1) _____ the issue of adopting a Justice League Kitten was that it would be good for the (2) _____ of the team.

- (1) opinion of
- (1) opinion on
- (2) moral
- (2) morale

3. In his heart still more a man than (1) _____, Cyborg was (2) _____ coldly calculating about kittens as one might expect, and he warmly welcomed the arrival of Katana at Justice League Headquarters.

- (1) a machine
- (1) mechanical
- (2) not as
- (2) not so

4. (1) _____ Katana's kryptonite-like cuteness, Superman went weak at the knees whenever she purred; her power over him made her truly (2) _____.

- (1) Overcome by
- (1) Overcome with
- (2) one of a kind
- (2) the only one of a kind

5. Superman became completely (1) _____ her, but Katana was usually (2) _____ his existence.

- (1) obsessed by
- (1) obsessed with
- (2) oblivious about
- (2) oblivious of

6. He was so (1) _____ delight at her kittenish antics that he often fell (2) _____ his chair in fits of squealing.

- (1) overcome by
- (1) overcome with
- (2) off
- (2) off of

7. (1) _____ Katana's casual acts of furniture shredding, Aquaman had a pretty low (2) _____ her.

- (1) Because of
- (1) On account of
- (2) opinion about
- (2) opinion of

8. The (1) _____ of this story is that you (2) _____ be extremely careful when adopting a cat, because cats can ruin your expensive Justice League furniture and turn even the most powerful heroes soft.

- (1) moral
- (1) morale
- (2) had ought to
- (2) ought to

Answers to Common Errors in Usage Quiz 8

Explanations and examples of these usage errors can be found on the [Common Errors in English Usage](#) page.

1. Batman's (1) **outlook on** life was so grim that he was in serious (2) **need of** a kitten to cuddle with.
2. Wonder Woman's (1) **opinion on** the issue of adopting a Justice League Kitten was that it would be good for the (2) **morale** of the team.
3. In his heart still more a man than (1) **a machine**, Cyborg was (2) **not so** coldly calculating about kittens as one might expect, and he warmly welcomed the arrival of Katana at Justice League Headquarters.
4. (1) **Overcome by** Katana's kryptonite-like cuteness, Superman went weak at the knees whenever she purred; her power over him made her truly (2) **one of a kind**.
5. Superman became completely (1) **obsessed with** her, but Katana was usually (2) **oblivious of** his existence.
6. He was so (1) **overcome with** delight at her kittenish antics that he often fell (2) **off** his chair in fits of squealing.
7. (1) **Because of** Katana's casual acts of furniture shredding, Aquaman had a pretty low (2) **opinion of** her.
8. The (1) **moral** of this story is that you (2) **ought to** be extremely careful when adopting a cat, because cats can ruin your expensive Justice League furniture and turn even the most powerful heroes soft.