

HIGHER EDUCATION – FILL IN THE GAPS EXERCISE

Link to the video: <https://freeenglishmaterialsforyou.com/2017/07/15/higher-education-listening-activity/>

Fill in the gaps in the following sentences with the correct tenses

1. I know that the most intelligent way to start _____ a lot of money is to find a way to get at least \$ 100,000 in debt before you even begin _____ money. (MAKE)
2. If you _____ a degree then you are declaring that you want to be homeless, unhappy, and a failure for the rest of your life. (GET NEGATIVE)
3. Having a college degree _____ now _____ standard for so long that everyone in the workforce has one. (BE)
4. So you _____ one makes you just like everyone else. (HAVE)
5. My college degree is social validation that I'm someone. I _____ it. (EARN)
6. And I earned it by _____ for it. (PAY)
7. Imagine if people _____ born with innate brilliance, potential, vision, creativity and ability. Then we wouldn't need college. (BE)
8. That's not the fantasy world we live in. From what I'm _____. (TELL)
9. 9 If you don't go to college there is no chance that you _____ a successful career. (HAVE)
10. Success isn't dependent on hard work, vision, and creativity. It's dependent on the degree you achieve before you start _____ in your career. (ACHIEVE)
11. Especially not anybody that _____ me. (INSPIRE)
12. 1What _____ me even more than the \$ 100,000 of tuition costs for a degree is all the interest that I have the opportunity to pay on that loan (.EXCITE)
13. From early elementary school, I _____ that I need to do well in school so that I can get accepted into college so that I can have a successful career. (TEACH)

14. Therefore I think that _____ a degree is not only a guarantee that I'll have a successful future but I also think it's the only way I can have a successful future. (GET)

15. I think universities are completely _____ in _____ their customers the prices that they do. (JUSTIFY; CHARGE)

16. Last month I had a job for three days. I _____ by an eighteen-year-old teach entrepreneur. (HIRE)

17. But here is my new plan: I _____ all the skills I learned in my MBA and open a video rental store. (TAKE)

Answers

1. Making
2. Don't get/ do not get
3. Has been
4. Having
5. Earned
6. Paying
7. Were
8. Told
9. Will have; 'll have
10. Achieving
11. Inspires
12. Excites
13. Was taught
14. Getting
15. Justified - charging
16. Was hired
17. 'm gonna take; am gonna take; 'm going to take; am going to take.