

## Pair and Share

Fill in the pair of words that best completes each sentence.

1. Despite his \_\_\_\_\_ effort, Jim is \_\_\_\_\_ going to win the election.

- a. minimal...never
- b. constant...certainly
- c. valiant...never
- d. paltry...not

2. Although he was \_\_\_\_\_ tired, Kevin was \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the marathon, so he continued to run, trying not to think about the pain.

- a. hardly...disappointed
- b. definitely...indisposed
- c. certainly...determined
- d. barely...disposed

3. Though he had hoped for a more \_\_\_\_\_ placement, George's project was \_\_\_\_\_ in a back corner of the room.

- a. prominent...inconspicuous
- b. flashy...dim
- c. inconspicuous...dominant
- d. secret...noticeable

4. Ellen was not \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ chosen last for teams in gym class.

- a. fast...never
- b. healthy...seldom
- c. athletic...never
- d. sorry...often

5. \_\_\_\_\_ the rock weighed a lot, the boys \_\_\_\_\_ managed to move it.

- a. despite...never
- b. although...rarely
- c. because...always
- d. even though...still

6. \_\_\_\_\_ dogs are unfriendly, so you should \_\_\_\_\_ ask the owner before trying to pet one.

- a. no...never
- b. some...always
- c. all...usually
- d. few...often

7. Though some find cats to be \_\_\_\_\_, my cat is very \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. mean...fierce
- b. friendly...affectionate
- c. strong...dominant
- d. aloof...affectionate

8. My dogs are a \_\_\_\_\_ pair; one is huge and the other is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. mismatched...tiny
- b. matched...little
- c. strange...also big
- d. perfect...tiny

