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Complete the following sentences using an appropriate form of the verb given in the brackets.

1. If you the dog, it may bite you.

provoke

provocative

provocation

2. The old woman looked at the crowds and the traffic in

bewilder

bewildered

bewilderment

3. The actor aimed at becoming a great singer.

wistful

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wistfully

wistfulness

4. We expect the authorities to investigate the case

thorough

thoroughly

5. His with work affected his family life.

preoccupy

preoccupied

preoccupation

6. His with the sage changed his

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outlook.

associate

associative

association

7. My mother is my biggest

inspire

inspirational

inspiration

8. The floods caused a great deal of
in many parts of the country.

destroy

destruct

destruction

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9. The robbers tried to the traveler.

threat

threatened

threaten

10. Although his first few attempts were not, he did not lose heart.

success

successful

succeed

Answers

1. If you provoke the dog, it may bite you.
2. The old woman looked at the crowds and the traffic in bewilderment.
3. The actor wistfully aimed at becoming a great singer.

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4. We expect the authorities to investigate the case thoroughly.
5. His preoccupation with work affected his family life.
6. His association with the sage changed his outlook.
7. My mother is my biggest inspiration.
8. The floods caused a great deal of destruction in many parts of the country.
9. The robbers tried to threaten the traveler.
10. Although his first few attempts were not successful, he did not lose heart.