

Using 'and', 'with', 'when', 'where', 'until' and 'after'

Read the passage carefully. Fill in the blanks with the correct words in the box.

with and where after when until

Tom splashed lazily about in the river. It was a warm day. There was no wind and the sun shone down out of the clear blue sky. He was only a little boy and had not yet learnt to swim properly. However, he went into the middle of the river where it was too deep for him. Suddenly, he realised that he could not touch the bottom of the river (1) _____ his feet. He was trying to struggle to safety (2) _____ he saw a stranger swimming towards him.

"Help!" he shouted as loudly as he could. "Help me or I shall drown!" The stranger caught hold of Tom (3) _____ swam slowly towards the bank. He was a tall, solemn man in black clothes. While swimming back to the bank, the man said, "What a foolish boy you are! How did you get yourself into such trouble? Surely you knew that the water was no longer shallow? Haven't your dear father and mother ever told you not to go into deep waters (4) _____ you could swim? Now, if you are a good swimmer like me ..."

He went on reprimanding Tom until the poor boy felt he would never be able to reach the bank. It was taking them ages to get to safety. But Tom finally managed to get to a place (5) _____ the water was not so deep. He scrambled quickly to the bank.

"You could have given me a lecture (6) _____ you have got me out of the water!" Tom said to the man when he had got his breath again.

Answers
1. with

2. when

3. and

4. until

5. where

6. after