Alone, Lonely and Only Exercise

• alone is a physical state for humans - I need to be alone sometimes
• lonely is an emotion - I phone some friends if I'm feeling lonely
• on its own is for things - I often eat cheese on its own
• only means 'exclusively' - She only eats organic food

A Fill the gaps with alone, lonely and only.

1 My laptop shuts down on its own.
2 I think if I lived in the country, I'd get ................................... .
3 Bob needs to be ................................... at least two hours a day in order to be happy.
4 Travelling ................................... has its pros and cons.
5 Leave me ................................... ! Can't you see I'm working?
6 Whenever I feel ................................... , I phone up a friend.
7 I ................................... ever buy meat from the butcher's and never from supermarkets.
8 My cats will ................................... eat the most expensive food on the market.
9 Although Mrs Parkhurst lives alone, she says she never gets ................................... .
10 It's funny how easy it is to feel ................................... in such a crowded city like London.
11 The ................................... reason I put up with Juan is because he's my wife's brother.
12 The Prancing Pony was the ................................... pub in the entire village.
13 Never walk down that street ................................... at night.
14 That old man lives ................................... in an enormous house.
15 My dog stops me from feeling ................................... .
16 She needs to have people around her the whole time. She hates being ................................... .
17 Oh no! There's ................................... one chocolate biscuit left.
18 I drink coffee on its own. No sugar and no milk.
19 He always drinks red wine with a meal and never on its own.

B Now make up some examples of your own.

1 ..............................................................
2 ..............................................................
Answers

1. My laptop shuts down on its own.
2. I think if I lived in the country, I’d get lonely.
3. Bob needs to be alone at least two hours a day in order to be happy.
4. Travelling alone has its pros and cons.
5. Leave me alone! Can't you see I'm working?
6. Whenever I feel lonely, I phone up a friend.
7. I only ever buy meat from the butcher's and never from supermarkets.
8. My cats will only eat the most expensive food on the market.
9. Although Mrs Parkhurst lives alone, she says she never gets lonely.
10. It's funny how easy it is to feel lonely in such a crowded city like London.
11. The only reason I put up with Juan is because he's my wife's brother.
12. The Prancing Pony was the only pub in the entire village.
13. Never walk down that street alone at night.
14. That old man lives alone in an enormous house.
15. My dog stops me from feeling lonely.
16. She needs to have people around her the whole time. She hates being alone.
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