Complete the text on the film “Invictus”. Fill in the blanks from the word list on the right.

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In his first days in office (7) _______________ between blacks and whites in Mandela's (8) _______________ become obvious. White government officials are afraid of being (9) _______________ by blacks. Mandela however tries to (10) _______________ his former opponents by saying that nobody will be fired and that he will work hard to (11) _______________ racial equality in South Africa.

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