

1 Family Ties

Vocabulary

Collocations & Expressions

A Complete the phrases with *keep, fall, pay, get* and *have*.

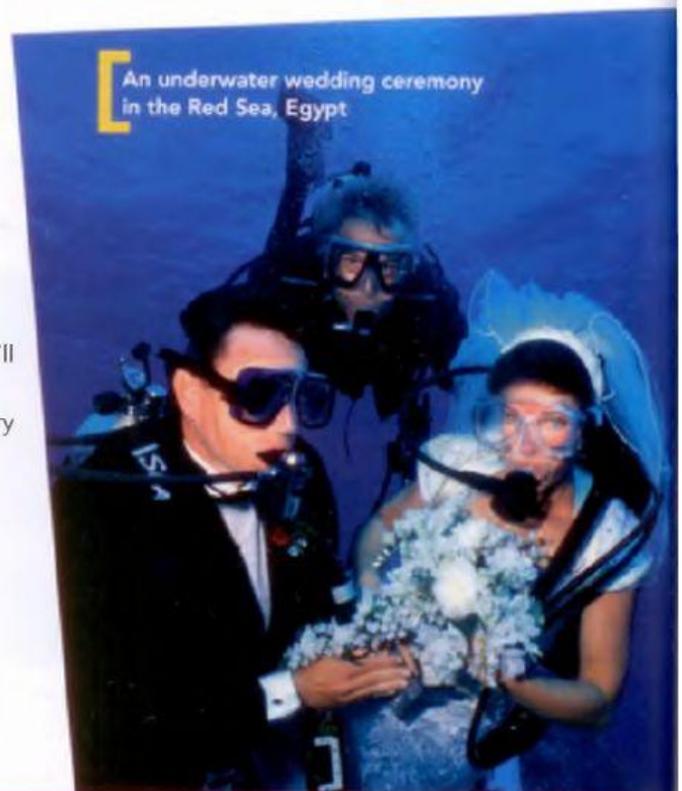
- _____ a compliment / a visit
- _____ a diary / a secret
- _____ a family / sympathy
- _____ married / divorced
- _____ in love / to pieces

B Complete sentences 1–10 with collocations and expressions from A.

- I'm not ready for children now, but I'd love to **have** _____ in a few years.
- Shhh! You mustn't tell anyone about it! Can you **keep** _____?
- I don't think I'll ever **fall** _____ again. My divorce was very upsetting.
- My husband **paid** me _____ yesterday. He said I looked lovely.
- Tom and I want to **get** _____ as soon as possible. We love each other.
- I'd never **keep** _____. My sister might read it!
- Have** some _____ Pete; your brother has just lost his job.
- If they can't sort out their problems soon, they may **get** _____.
- Why not **pay** Grandma _____, Tom? She'll be pleased to see you.
- It is difficult not to **fall** _____ when someone close to you passes away.

C Complete the sentences with the correct form of the expressions from A.

- After 20 years, Susie's parents are _____. Naturally she's very upset.
- Sam's father left his mother. Sam's worried that she'll _____.
- I _____ a lot of _____ for children of separated or divorced parents.
- My grandmother's house is near here; let's _____ her _____.
- Mum, do you remember what it was that made you _____ with Dad?
- Pam, can you _____? Good, come here and I'll whisper it in your ear.
- A lot of my friends _____; they write in it every day.
- My sister is _____ at the end of the month – she's having a very unusual wedding.
- 'Do you plan to _____ when you grow up?' 'I want a big one with five children!'
- My boyfriend _____ me _____ today; he said I was very clever!



An underwater wedding ceremony in the Red Sea, Egypt



Ideas Focus

- Do you think it is better to have a family when you are young? Why? / Why not?
- Do you think people can only really fall in love once in their lives? Why? / Why not?
- Do you think it is a good idea to keep a diary so you can look at it when you are old? Why? / Why not?