

B Complete the sentences with the most suitable word.

pensioner

gentleman

generation

- 1 My father likes to be called a senior citizen, not an old age _____.

raised

grew up

brought up

- 2 I was born in Reading, but I _____ in Glasgow.

personality

appearance

character

- 3 You can't tell what someone is like just from their _____.

grown-up

widowed

alone

middle-aged

- 4 They are a _____ couple, with _____ children.

generous

mean

frank

- 5 My uncle hates spending money. He is rather _____.

family

brothers

relations

- 6 My nephew, Harry, was named after one of his father's distant _____.

spinster

single

married

bachelor

- 7 Is Aunt Rebecca _____ or _____?
I don't like to ask her.

proposed

engaged

divorced

- 8 My son and Brenda got married a year after they got _____.

ferocious

easy-going

cunning

- 9 Uncle Bradley knows how to disarm his opponents with his _____ manner.

shouting

spanking

dispute

rows

- 10 My parents often have _____, but my dad does most of the _____.

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

- 1 _____ to pieces

- 2 _____ a compliment

- 3 _____ married

- 4 _____ a visit

- 5 _____ divorced

- 6 _____ in love

- 7 _____ a secret

- 8 _____ sympathy

- 9 _____ a family

D Complete the sentences with the correct form of the expressions from part C.

- Their marriage began to _____ after only a few years.
- 'I was _____ a very sincere _____ this weekend,' my sister said.
- Tom and Annette want to _____ and _____.
- I _____ with Lucas because of his kind nature.
- The couple _____ after a tempestuous marriage.

- 6 My family knew about it in advance and somehow managed to _____ it _____ from me.
- 7 Poor Chloe really _____ during the funeral service.
- 8 Dexter kept _____ me _____ on my cooking.
- 9 I was surprised to _____ from an old friend.
- 10 It's been a long time since I have _____ my grandparents _____.
- 11 They wanted to _____ to be united forever, but fate spun a different web for them.
- 12 I was 18 when I first _____.
- 13 After they _____, Ana never remarried.
- 14 'Why did you have to go and tell Mum about my financial problems? You just can't _____, can you?' my brother said.
- 15 I _____ great _____ for the victims of the flood.

E Complete the sentences with suitable prepositions.

- 1 It's very _____ of character for Xavier to behave like that.
- 2 I'm sorry, but I just can't put _____ your behaviour any longer.
- 3 My sister is a teacher and she is patient _____ small children.
- 4 All four children take _____ their father and are very sociable.
- 5 Paula decided to turn _____ Graham's offer of marriage.
- 6 My sister and I get _____ well with our stepfather.
- 7 My parents keep treating me _____ a child, but I'm not one!
- 8 Nicole was brought _____ by her grandmother after her parents died.
- 9 'I thought we might call _____ Aunt Jane on our way - I've got some mangoes for her.'
- 10 After four years, their marriage broke _____.