

EXERCISES

1 Choose the best options to complete the sentences.

- 1 Too many meetings *kill* / *result from* motivation at work.
- 2 Success *leads to* / *is the result of* luck and hard work.
- 3 Bad weather usually *arises from* people driving / *makes more people drive* to work.
- 4 The failure of the business *fostered* / *was a consequence of* bad management.
- 5 Bonuses often *bring about* / *arise from* improved sales results.
- 6 The band's appearance in a cola advert *contributed to* / *was the result of* sales.

2 Complete the sentences with these expressions.

arise	bring	consequence
foster	kill	lead

- 1 Poor performance is a _____ of low investment.
- 2 Conflicts often _____ from poor communication.
- 3 Changes in management can _____ to improved results.
- 4 Flexitime can _____ a positive attitude among workers.
- 5 A big success will usually _____ about strong feelings of satisfaction.
- 6 Strong negative criticism can _____ creativity.

3 Match each sentence (1–6) with a possible ending (a–c).

- 1 Traffic in the town centre gives rise to
 - 2 Severe traffic problems make
 - 3 Traffic delays often result from
 - 4 Unexpectedly high traffic volumes often produce
 - 5 Traffic jams are often the result of
 - 6 Road works often cause
- a road works.
b commuter delays.
c people late for work.

4 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 hard / is / of / result / success / the / work
_____.
- 2 contributes / feelings / happiness / of / sunny / to / weather
_____.
- 3 you / trust / people / makes / honest / being
_____.
- 4 communication / foster / good / in / offices / open / spaces
_____.
- 5 consequence / management / low / of / is / a / productivity / poor
_____.
- 6 high / increased / lead / sales / sales / targets / to
_____.

5 Join the two phrases using the word in brackets.

- 1 bad diet, poor health (rise)

- 2 increased productivity, regular breaks (results)

- 3 back pain, bad posture (contributes)

- 4 lack of sleep, poor work performance (cause)

- 5 people angry, inappropriate phone use (make)

- 6 networking, increased opportunities (lead)
