

## Vocabulary: Values

### Adverb + adjective combination

#### 1 Complete sentences 1-11 with the words in the box.

Integrity - pioneering - responsibility - unity - excellence - merit - competence - diversity - equality - dignity - respect - tolerance - mutual cooperation

- \_\_\_\_\_ in the workforce means we have a wide range of skills and experience to draw upon.
- Tim Berners-Lee was the \_\_\_\_\_ force in the development of the Internet.
- It is our \_\_\_\_\_ to make sure our production process has minimal impact on the environment.
- In spite of their differences, the board displayed public \_\_\_\_\_ at their last press conference.
- All staff promotions are based on \_\_\_\_\_ -it's about an individual's \_\_\_\_\_ rather than length of service.
- \_\_\_\_\_ between the two countries has increased trade in recent years.
- Our company has very strong moral principles - \_\_\_\_\_ is key.
- We have strict regulations against discrimination in order to ensure \_\_\_\_\_ for all our employees.
- Employees should show \_\_\_\_\_ and understanding towards colleagues with different points of view.
- Our ultimate goal is to achieve \_\_\_\_\_. We do our job the best we can possibly do it.
- Our work environment promotes mutual \_\_\_\_\_ so that all employees can maintain their \_\_\_\_\_ at work.

#### 2 Choose the adverb in *italics* that can't be used in each sentence.

- A rise in interest rates would be *comparatively/potentially/significantly* disastrous.
- The negative figures for the last quarter are *potentially/profoundly / surprisingly* worrying.
- Fortunately demand has remained *comparatively/ irretrievably/relatively* stable.
- The growth in demand for new hybrid cars has been *potentially/relatively/unexpectedly* rapid.
- Since the negative publicity over the recent share issue, media reports have become *appreciably/noticeably/relatively* more hostile.
- Even if the allegations aren't true, their effect is *comparatively / irretrievably/potentially* damaging for the company.
- Disposable income across the population as a whole is *irretrievably /noticeably/significantly* different from even a year ago.
- It's a fact that we are now finding it *potentially/increasingly/relatively* difficult to find skilled workers prepared to work for these wages.