

Building Vocabulary. Read the definitions below of some of the words and phrases in the reading on pages 12–13. Complete each sentence (1–5) with the correct word or phrase.

When you **balance** two things, they both have the same weight or importance.

When one thing **depends on** a second thing, the first thing is affected by the second thing.

If something happens **during** a period of time, it happens between the beginning and end of that period.

An animal's **environment** is the place where it lives.

If something is **unexpected**, you did not know that it would happen.

1. An employee's paycheck _____ his or her work hours. When the employee works more hours, he or she gets a bigger paycheck.
2. Scientists usually like to study an animal in its natural _____. That way, they can see what it eats, where it sleeps, and how it lives.
3. It's important to _____ your work and your personal life. Don't work so much that you don't have time to be with your family and friends.
4. Some people sleep _____ the day and work at night.
5. Do you like _____ visits from your friends? Or do you like it when people call you before they come over?

Building Vocabulary. Read the sentences below. The words and phrases in **bold** are from the reading on pages 12–13. Write each word or phrase next to the correct definition.

Builders have to **measure** each piece of wood before they cut it. Each piece of wood has to be the right size.

When drivers **realize** they are going the wrong way, they usually look at a map or ask for directions.

Do you have a busy **schedule** on the weekend? Or do you have a lot of free time then?

Do you usually **spend time** with your friends during the weekend?

A rainy day in the middle of the summer is often a **surprise**.

1. _____: to find how big or small something is
2. _____: to do something or be with certain people for a while
3. _____: an event, a fact, or a piece of news that you did not think will happen
4. _____: to become aware that something is true, or to understand it is true
5. _____: a plan or an outline of times when things will happen