a Listen again. Match statements 1–3 to photos a–c.

1 Yeah, for example, you can find someone you've lost touch with... It provides that link...
2 Joining hands refers to establishing new links with people and how we can do that.
3 So that's a barrier as well, of course, something that divides nations and people...

Connections & prevention

A Verbs that refer to connecting

- Which of the verbs can collocate with the nouns? Use a dictionary to help you.

	nouns
break down ⇨	barriers
bridge ⇨	bridges
build ⇨	borders
contact ⇨	countries
get in touch with ⇨	friends/people
join ⇨	a gap
link ⇨	hands
reach across ⇨	
unite ⇨	

B Verbs that refer to preventing

to stop, prevent, deter, block someone from doing *something*
to avoid talking about *something*
to put up *barriers/walls*
to divide /separate *nations/people*

NOTICE *AVOID/PREVENT*

Avoid means to stop yourself from doing something.
I avoided going there because of the crowds.
If we want to stop somebody else from doing something, we use *prevent*.
I prevented him from going there.

1 I ..... some people from seeing my Facebook page.
2 Many nations ..... barriers to ..... their people from meeting.
3 Sometimes language can ..... people, that's what's called a language barrier.
4 You have to do something to ..... everyone from seeing all the details of your private life.

b What other important barriers and borders exist in the world today? **Answer in the box below.**

What activities unite people together?

How do you get in touch with your friends?