

COLLOCATIONS

EXTENDED

23 Match the verbs in box A with the expressions in box B to make collocations.

A

talk
stop
lay
go
push
be against
get
give

B

your point across
things through
their allowance
down some ground rules
you the silent treatment
the limits
ballistic
your better judgement

21 Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

TODAY'S GOSSIP

Did you know ...?

- 1 Amanda split _____ with Barry on Thursday at Dan's party.
- 2 Dean's partner walked _____ on him after a row about the washing-up!
- 3 The teacher sent Alan home because he was going _____ about a fight he'd been in over the weekend.
- 4 Tina's fallen _____ with her best mate, Tanya, because Tanya went _____ with Tina's boyfriend!
- 5 Our teacher, Miss Bird, broke _____ with her boyfriend last month when he moved to Canada, but they've got back _____ again now!
- 6 I had a big argument with Jack last night, but we made _____ this morning.

► Lifestyle, conflicts and problems

WORD FORMATION

19 Complete the sentences with nouns formed from the words in the box. One noun has the same form as the verb given.

rebel argue disagree behave discipline

- 1 I had a big _____ with my sister last week. She uses my laptop all the time.
- 2 There's an interesting article about teenage _____ in the magazine. Apparently, our parents' generation was worse than ours!
- 3 My brother's _____ is terrible. He shows off every time we're out together.
- 4 I think kids need a lot of _____ when they're young, don't you?
- 5 My mate and I had a(n) _____ about where to go on Friday but we finally decided on the cinema.

VERB-NOUN COLLOCATIONS

20 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 We've got some house rules, but I must admit, I don't always **hold** / **stick** to them!
- 2 My aunt and uncle haven't been happy for years and they're **taking** / **getting** a divorce soon.
- 3 I **made** / **had** a fight with my parents when I wanted to get a tattoo. They won.
- 4 Peter wasn't getting on with his girlfriend, so he decided to **cut** / **end** the relationship.
- 5 My mum always **holds** / **takes** my brother's side in an argument.