UNIT 3C – VOCABULARY: ARGUMENTS

EXERCISE 1

Replace the underlined phrases in the sentences with a word or phrase in bold from the texts in Exercise 2a.

1 I had a disagreement or a fight with them.
clashed with
2 They realised they were wrong and stopped arguing.
3 We should probably agree on a solution that's acceptable to both of us.
4 You're not supposed to say the opposite of what your elders say.
5 My boss got involved in the argument to find a solution.
6 We didn't have the same opinion.
7 She often starts an argument with me.
8 The basic problem is that she's a control freak.
9 I really found it difficult to accept what she said.
10 My co-workers formed a group against me.

VOCABULARY: ARGUMENT

- Didn't see eye to eye
- Contradict
- Had an issue with
- Clashed with
- Ganged up on
- Intervened
- Backed down
- Picks a fight
- Find a compromise
- Underlying issue

EXERCISE 2

clashing compromise contradict down have intervene issue pick see up

Your team will argue for these statements.

1 If you witness bullying, it's your duty to _____ .
2 Even if you don't _____ eye-to-eye with someone, you can usually ignore your differences.
3 Never, ever _____ your teacher.
4 If you _____ an issue with someone, it's best to sort it out in private.
5 Never _____ a fight with someone who's bigger than you!

Your team will argue against these statements.

6 If you want to avoid _____ with others, find a job you can do alone.
7 The underlying _____ in every fight is power.
8 Ganging _____ on someone is sometimes a necessary evil.
9 Avoid backing _____ in any situation. It's a sign of weakness.
10 There's always a _____ if you're open to it.

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