

## Word formation

**H** Complete the sentences by changing the form of the word in capitals when this is necessary.

- 1 I need to buy a new pair of ..... (**TRAIN**).
- 2 Ellie used to ..... (**PRACTICE**) for hours to learn to juggle properly.
- 3 That was the most ..... (**INTEREST**) book I've ever read. I can't wait for the sequel!
- 4 Would you describe yourself as a ..... (**COMPETE**) person?
- 5 Many professional basketball players earn a ..... (**FORTUNE**) these days.
- 6 F.A. stands for Football ..... (**ASSOCIATE**).
- 7 The gold, silver and bronze ..... (**MEDAL**) took their places on the podium for the presentation ceremony.
- 8 In Britain, the money parents give their children is often called pocket money. In America, it's often called an ..... (**ALLOW**).
- 9 I'm afraid the swimming pool is closed at the moment as they're carrying out some essential ..... (**MAINTAIN**).

**I** Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

### *A snooker player speaks*

When I first started playing snooker, I had no real (1) ..... of the rules. I just thought it looked an (2) ..... game. Also, I didn't need to buy any expensive (3) ..... because the snooker hall near my house had tables and cues. I spent (4) ..... all the free time I had practising, and then decided to enter a (5) ..... . It was great fun! My (6) ..... was someone who'd been playing for years. Of course, he beat me, but the fact that I'd (7) ..... didn't put me off at all. And, (8) ..... , my game improved enough for me to become a professional snooker player three years ago.

**KNOW**  
**ENJOY**  
**EQUIP**  
**PRACTICAL**  
**COMPETE**  
**OPPOSE**  
**LOSE**  
**FORTUNE**