

2 VOCABULARY Language learning

a Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 I studied German at university but I'm going to Berlin next year to *pick / brush / take* it up.
- 2 My brother speaks four languages – he really has an *ear / eye / mouth* for them.
- 3 I know Japanese is hard, but you must keep *on / to / at* it if you want the job.
- 4 I'm French, but my son was born in Italy. From an early age he *pulled / picked / took* up lots of Italian expressions.
- 5 I studied in China and I *fought / raced / struggled* with writing the characters for a long time.
- 6 It takes time to get *accustomed / ready / along* to a new teaching style.
- 7 My Spanish is a little *cracked / broken / rusty*. I haven't spoken it for a while.
- 8 My sister can hold a *chat / speech / conversation* in several European languages.