

A. Definitions. Match the phrase on the left with the correct definition on the right.

1. to maintain the building | a) to use money very wastefully
2. precious moments | b) to find an answer to a difficult situation
3. to spend money like water | c) to keep something in good condition
4. to solve the problem | d) very valuable and important periods of time
5. they are elderly people | e) to give money you owe for a service (e.g., electricity)
6. to pay the bills | f) they are old or aged

B. Fill in the blank. Complete the sentences with the correct phrase from the box.

to fix | in comparison with | ownership | to pay the bills | precious | like there's no tomorrow

1. The bank took _____ of the house because they couldn't pay the mortgage.
2. My grandfather says his photos are his most _____ possessions.
3. The manager called a technician _____ the broken computer.
4. Life in my village is very quiet _____ the big city.
5. She doesn't have a job, so her parents have to _____ for her.
6. He won the lottery last month and now he spends money _____