# 20 SEEING IS BELIEVING

## VOCABULARY Collocations: thinking

**1** **Put the letters in the correct order to make thinking collocations.**

1 keam pu uroy dimn _____
2 seu yoru migantoinia _____
3 rcsos yuro dimn _____
4 evah a ohtuhtg _____
5 veha osecnd tugohtsh _____
6 vieg sonemoe a thin _____
7 eosl yuro ticoenanocrtn _____

**2** **Complete the sentences with the correct collocations from Exercise 1.**

1 If you suddenly start thinking about something, you _____.
2 To help them to guess something, you can _____.
3 When people are talking in an exam, you can _____.
4 When you are an artist, you have to _____.
5 When you have an important decision to make, it's hard to _____.
6 Sometimes you can _____ about something and decide not to do it.
7 If you think about something for a short time, it _____.

**3** **Choose the correct collocation.**

1 Shall I go out tonight? I can't *make up my mind* / *cross my mind*.
2 My sister was playing her music too loud when I was doing my homework. I *had second thoughts* / *lost my concentration*.
3 I wanted Jemma to guess what her present was – so I *had a thought* / *gave her a hint*.
4 What was the first thing that *gave you a hint* / *crossed your mind* when you won the prize?
5 I was going to play football on Saturday, but I *lost my concentration* / *had second thoughts* and went to the cinema instead.
6 I had to write a story for homework, so I *used my imagination* / *made up my mind* to create the characters.
7 Have you found anyone to play guitar in the band yet? If not, I've just *had a thought* / *given you a hint*.

**4** **Choose the correct form of the collocations from Exercise 1 to complete the text.**

Before the maths exam yesterday, it [1] _____ that I might not pass it. There was one really difficult question in the exam where I couldn't [2] _____ what the answer was. And to make it worse, there were some students behind me, talking all the time, so I [3] _____. All I really wanted was for someone to [4] _____ so I could answer the question, but obviously that doesn't happen in an exam. So instead, I just started dreaming and tried to [5] _____. After the exam finished, I [6] _____ that I might not continue with the subject next year. But then I [7] _____ and decided that it was best to continue.




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