

Vocabulary 1B

Parenthood

Complete the second sentence with a word or phrase from the box that has the same meaning as the underlined word or phrase in the first sentence.

bringing up	check up on	discipline	neglect
praise	spoil	tell me off	trust

- 1 It's not easy raising three young children.
It's not easy _____ three young children.
- 2 I have to monitor them all the time. You never know when they might get into trouble.
I have to _____ them all the time. You never know when they might get into trouble.
- 3 It's amazing how many parents indulge their children, buying them everything they want.
It's amazing how many parents _____ their children, buying them everything they want.
- 4 You need to compliment children when they behave well.
You need to _____ children when they behave well.
- 5 My dad would often criticise me when I was young, but I knew he loved me.
My dad would often _____ when I was young, but I knew he loved me.
- 6 Parents who ignore their children should be punished by the authorities.
Parents who _____ their children should be punished by the authorities.
- 7 I believe in my children. I'm sure they'll always do the right thing.
I _____ my children. I'm sure they'll always do the right thing.
- 8 When you punish a child it's important that they understand why.
When you _____ a child it's important that they understand why.

Extend your vocabulary 1

Metaphors for relationships

Complete the text with the words in the box. There are two extra words you do not need.

attached	close	cracks	deep	inseparable
separated	split	strong		

When I was young I didn't realise that not all families were like mine. My family was extremely (1) _____. We lived with my gran, and my aunt, uncle and two cousins lived next door. My cousins and I spent all our time together and were often (2) _____. Then I left home and went to college where I met Megan. We immediately became friends and I got to know a lot about Megan's family – they were so different from mine. Her mum and dad had got married at 17 and Megan was born a year later. Already (3) _____ had appeared in her parents' marriage. They argued all the time and they (4) _____ up when Megan was just two years old. After that Megan went to live with her gran and grandad and she became very (5) _____ to them. So we did have one thing in common, we both had really (6) _____ bonds with our grans.