

Language in chunks



4 Look at how these phrases are used in the text and then use them in the sentences which follow. You may have to change them slightly to make them fit.

a dream come true to end up (doing something) (to have) time on one's hands
to make matters worse money is no object way too much (something)

- a That girl is never at school and when she has she gets into trouble.
- b They spent all their money and they then borrowed money to buy a car.
- c The cost of the project doesn't matter at all.
- d We didn't know what to buy with the money we won and we depositing it all in a bank account that gives high interest.
- e Kevin had money as a kid – his parents gave him everything he wanted – and now he doesn't know how to manage his own financial affairs.
- f Getting this new job was for me. I really enjoy it, the hours are great and the pay is good.



5 Now use the correct word from Activity 4 to complete these sentences.

- a After she read the from the bank, she realised that she would have to start saving more money.
- b John get cash from the machine so he always uses his credit card.
- c She went to the , took out her new dress and slipped it over her head. It had been worth every penny!
- d The designer shoes were and she couldn't afford them, so she left the store without even trying them on.
- e She couldn't find her Discman in her bedroom.
- f He bought a couple of tickets for the , hoping that he would win a prize for his family.
- g I know you don't earn much money, but at least your flat is small and the rent is
- h Why did he find it so hard to what he was spending? Maybe he should start writing it all down.
- i She was the little black dress, but it was really too expensive.

extravagant

can't be bothered to

keep track of

manageable

wardrobe

tempted by

raffles

amid the clutter

statements

