

VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1 Look at this summary of the personal account on page 73. Put the lines in the correct order.

- the cons of living near the beach. I **explained** my
- 1 A little over a year ago, my twelve-year-old daughter **announced**
- that she could understand my point of view as well.
- own experience of growing up on the beach, but in the end, came up with a compromise by **suggesting**
- Scotland was too cold and rainy.
- her, but also felt it necessary to **mention**
- 2 that she would be moving to Barbados. She **insisted** that
- that she spend the summer holidays in Barbados. After her return, my daughter **confessed**
- me. I understood her point of view, I **reassured**
- "Growing up on the beach is more fun," she tried to **persuade**

2 All of the verbs in bold in Exercise 1 are used to report messages. Divide them into list A and list B according to the headings.

A "tell verbs": where the hearer is usually the direct object

... **persuade** me to ...

B "say verbs": where the hearer is not usually the direct object

... **mentioned** that ...

3 Add more reporting verbs from the box to the appropriate column in the table in Exercise 2. Check the verb patterns in your dictionary if necessary.

admit advise assure claim confirm convince encourage

TELL VERBS

SAY VERBS