

# EXERCISES

## 1 Choose the best options to complete the sentences.

- 1 Too many meetings *kill* / *result from* motivation at work.
- 2 Success *leads to* / *is the result of* luck and hard work.
- 3 Bad weather usually *arises from* people driving / *makes more people drive* to work.
- 4 The failure of the business *fostered* / *was a consequence of* bad management.
- 5 Bonuses often *bring about* / *arise from* improved sales results.
- 6 The band's appearance in a cola advert *contributed to* / *was the result of* sales.

## 2 Complete the sentences with these expressions.

arise	bring	consequence
foster	kill	lead

- 1 Poor performance is a \_\_\_\_\_ of low investment.
- 2 Conflicts often \_\_\_\_\_ from poor communication.
- 3 Changes in management can \_\_\_\_\_ to improved results.
- 4 Flexitime can \_\_\_\_\_ a positive attitude among workers.
- 5 A big success will usually \_\_\_\_\_ about strong feelings of satisfaction.
- 6 Strong negative criticism can \_\_\_\_\_ creativity.

## 3 Match each sentence (1–6) with a possible ending (a–c).

- 1 Traffic in the town centre gives rise to
  - 2 Severe traffic problems make
  - 3 Traffic delays often result from
  - 4 Unexpectedly high traffic volumes often produce
  - 5 Traffic jams are often the result of
  - 6 Road works often cause
- a road works.  
b commuter delays.  
c people late for work.

## 4 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 hard / is / of / result / success / the / work  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 contributes / feelings / happiness / of / sunny / to / weather  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 you / trust / people / makes / honest / being  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 communication / foster / good / in / offices / open / spaces  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 consequence / management / low / of / is / a / productivity / poor  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 high / increased / lead / sales / sales / targets / to  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## 5 Join the two phrases using the word in brackets.

- 1 bad diet, poor health (rise)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 increased productivity, regular breaks (results)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 back pain, bad posture (contributes)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 lack of sleep, poor work performance (cause)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 people angry, inappropriate phone use (make)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 networking, increased opportunities (lead)  
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