EXERCISES

PREPOSITIONS

A Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

1 A lot ..... companies have gone bankrupt.
2 The work will be carried out ..... a private company.
3 We need to get to the root ..... the problem.
4 Everything was captured ..... film.
5 Pollution puts strain ..... the environment.
6 The court ruled ..... his favour.
7 There will be an investigation ..... the issue.

WORD FAMILIES

B Complete the sentences with the correct nouns from the verbs in the box.

donate	tolerate	cut back
reverse	reflect	rule

1 The judge made a ..... against her.
2 I am a blood ..... I help save people's lives.
3 There will be spending ..... because of bad sales.
4 The ..... of slavery was not considered acceptable.
5 That simple fact is worth some .....
6 There was a dramatic ..... in government policy.

C Tick the words which are both a noun and a verb.

1 abuse .....
2 claim .....
3 undermine .....
4 assault .....
5 conduct .....
6 boost .....

COLLOCATIONS

D Complete the collocations with nouns from the unit.

1 a decisive v _ _ _ _ _ y
2 walk at a leisurely p _ _ e
3 provoke an armed c _ _ _ _ _ _ t
4 plant a cash c _ _ p
5 find the r _ _ t cause
6 follow the plan s _ _ p by step

E Choose the correct verbs to complete the collocations. Look up the nouns to help you if necessary.

1 *provoke* / *raise* a conflict
2 be *announced* / *declared* bankrupt
3 *cut back* / *conduct* an investigation
4 *award* / *capture* someone damages
5 *harvest* / *launch* a new initiative

F Which of the following words do not collocate with the nouns?

1 drug / food / alcohol / substance **abuse**
2 humanitarian / fashion / financial / foreign **aid**
3 conduct / launch / decide / carry out **an investigation**
4 award / win / succeed / claim **damages**

G Complete the missing adjectives.

1 She's too s_ _ t on her son.
2 He was convicted of p_ _ _ _ _ _l assault.
3 People lose their jobs during an e _ _ _ _ _ _ c recession.
4 It was a highly c _ _ t _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ l decision.
5 He thinks all politicians are m _ _ _ _ _ y corrupt.

PHRASAL VERBS

H Choose the correct phrasal verb.

1 We are going to *carry out* / *cut off* some laboratory tests.
2 He *comes across* / *comes out* as very rude.
3 The doctor told me to *wipe out* / *cut back on* fast food.

LIVEWORKSHEETS