

Collocation exercises

Complete the collocations using the words in the box. You will need to use some words more than once.

adjourn *auburn* *broad* *deliriously*
inclement *mitigating* *picturesque*

Adjourn = to delay/ or postpone/put off
Auburn = related to colour (red and brown mixture)

1 a _____ accent

7 a _____ smile

2 in _____ agreement

8 a _____ location

3 _____ circumstances

9 _____ a meeting

4 _____ factors

10 a _____ town

5 _____ hair

11 _____ a trial

6 _____ happy

12 _____ weather

Rewrite each sentence using a collocation from the exercise above.

1 Melissa has quite a strong Scottish accent.

2 Bad weather led to the cancellation of the President's garden party.

3 We were all very happy when we heard we'd won the award.

4 Their new home was in a very pretty location.

5 Because there were circumstances that made the theft less serious, the judge let him off with a warning.

6 I think we should stop the meeting now and continue it tomorrow.

7 She had a big smile on her face when she arrived.

8 She has lovely reddish-brown hair.

9 I think we're generally in agreement as to what should be done.