

VOCABULARY

1 - Complete with the following words.

sitcoms	manage	succeed	laughter
hilarious	laughing	stand-up	sense

Every culture has its own (1) _____ of humour. However, most people enjoy watching (2) _____ like *Friends* because the humour in them is based on situations which can often result in (3) _____ dialogues. When I watch TV programmes like these, I can't help (4) _____ out loud. What I don't like though about some such programmes is that the (5) _____ is not live. I am a (6) _____ comedian myself, so I know how difficult it is to (7) _____ in making the audience laugh, but when you (8) _____ it, it's an amazing feeling!

2 - Complete the sentences using two of the words in each group.

allowed	let	prevent
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When I was younger, my parents didn't (1) _____ me go out with my friends alone. They said I was too young. But they (2) _____ me to invite my friends over to spend the weekend at our house.

succeeded	managed	failed
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Martha is grateful to her boyfriend for his support. Without him she would never have (3) _____ in becoming a famous actress. She's sure that without his help, she would have (4) _____ to get the role that made her popular!

rather	prefer	keen on
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I'm sorry, but I'd (5) _____ to stay at home this evening. I'm not feeling very well and I'd (6) _____ not go out.

failed	managed	prevent
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When I (7) _____ to climb to the top of the mountain I felt enormous excitement! After that, I knew that nothing would (8) _____ me from achieving my ambitions from now on!

3- Complete the sentences with one word.

- 1 I'm sorry, I don't _____ the time to listen to your problems right now!
- 2 The last Olympic Games took _____ in London.
- 3 I play football with my friends in my _____ time.
- 4 When Nick won a medal _____ the first time, he was very excited.
- 5 I'm studying for my exams for the time _____, so I can't spend any time on my hobbies just now.
- 6 Becoming a champion in a sport _____ up a lot of time and effort.
- 7 When you can _____ the time, can you please help me with my project?
- 8 We _____ hours before the game planning our strategy in order to win.

4- Complete with the following words.

skill	convenient	health	popular	win	beat	score	court
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Like most people who watch sport on TV, I always thought that tennis was an easy sport to play. I couldn't have been more wrong. To play tennis well, you need a lot of (1) _____. On the other hand, it's very (2) _____ because even if you can't play it as well as the champions we see on TV, it can keep you in good physical (3) _____. You run up and down the (4) _____ when you practise and if you can (5) _____ your partner in a match, the feeling is great! Of course if you live near a tennis club, it's very (6) _____ as you don't have to travel far just to play tennis. When I play against my best friend, I try to (7) _____ as many points as possible. And if sometimes I manage to (8) _____, I feel extremely happy, because she's a very good player.