

# 10B Free speech

G articles V collocation: word pairs P pausing and sentence stress

## 1 GRAMMAR articles

a Complete the sayings with *a*, *an*, *the*, or no article (-).



- 1 All you need is \_\_\_\_ love.
- 2 He's \_\_\_\_ man of his word.
- 3 \_\_\_\_ women are from Venus; \_\_\_\_ men are from Mars.
- 4 \_\_\_\_ time waits for no man.
- 5 Don't worry! It isn't \_\_\_\_ end of \_\_\_\_ world!
- 6 That's \_\_\_\_ life!
- 7 It's \_\_\_\_ small world!
- 8 \_\_\_\_ actions speak louder than \_\_\_\_ words.

b Complete the sentences with *the* where necessary.



- 1 \_\_\_\_ Mount Aconcagua is in *the* Andes in Argentina.
- 2 There are 50 states in \_\_\_\_ USA.
- 3 \_\_\_\_ M1 motorway was closed yesterday because of floods.
- 4 \_\_\_\_ Royal Lancaster Hotel is near \_\_\_\_ Hyde Park in London.
- 5 \_\_\_\_ Dodecanese are a group of islands situated in \_\_\_\_ Aegean Sea.
- 6 \_\_\_\_ Lake Victoria is the largest lake in \_\_\_\_ Africa.
- 7 \_\_\_\_ Panama Canal connects the Atlantic Ocean to \_\_\_\_ Pacific Ocean.
- 8 The toy industry in \_\_\_\_ China is the biggest in the world.

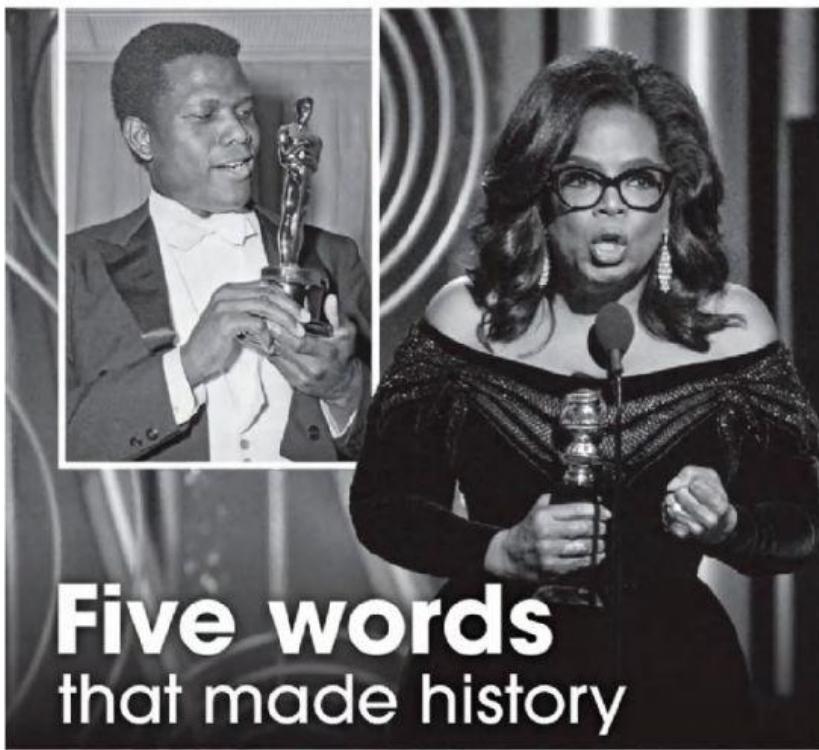
There are always three speeches for every one you actually gave: the one you practised, the one you gave, and the one you wish you had given.  
Dale Carnegie, American lecturer

c Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

- 1 The church in my village dates back to the 15th century.
- 2 My grandfather is **in** the hospital having an operation.  *X in hospital*
- 3 The university in my town has a very good reputation. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Daisy is taking advantage of the time her children are **at** the school to do an online course. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The prison is on the outskirts of the city. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Somebody broke into my parents' house while they were **at** the church. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 We caught the bus from the stop **near** the hospital. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 My boyfriend is **at** the university. He's studying architecture. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 The man has **gone** to the prison for the crimes he committed when he was younger. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 My brother teaches **at** the school he went to when he was a child. \_\_\_\_\_



d Read the text. Circle a, b, or c.



## Five words that made history

At the 2018 Golden Globe Awards, actress and TV presenter Oprah Winfrey was awarded the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement. Here is an extract from the memorable speech she made during the award ceremony.

In 1964, I was <sup>1</sup> little girl sitting on the linoleum floor of my mother's house in <sup>2</sup> Milwaukee, watching Anne Bancroft present the Oscar for Best Actor at <sup>3</sup> 36th Academy Awards. She opened the envelope and said five words that literally made <sup>4</sup> history: <sup>5</sup> winner is Sidney Poitier! Up to the stage came <sup>6</sup> most elegant man I had ever seen. I remember his tie was white and, of course, his skin was black. And I'd never seen <sup>7</sup> black man being celebrated like that. And I have tried many, many, many times to explain what <sup>8</sup> moment like that means to a little girl, a kid watching from the cheap seats as my mom came through the door, bone tired from cleaning <sup>9</sup> other people's houses. But all I can do is quote and say that <sup>10</sup> explanation's in Sidney's performance in *Lilies of the Field*. Amen, amen. Amen, amen.'

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| 3  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 4  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 5  | a | A | b | The | c | - |
| 6  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 7  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 8  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 9  | a | a | b | the | c | - |
| 10 | a | a | b | the | c | - |

## 2 VOCABULARY collocation: word pairs

a Match questions 1–10 to responses a–j.



- 1 Did you hear the storm last night? h
- 2 Do you think I should accept the job? —
- 3 Why are you moving to the country? —
- 4 Why has the shop sold out of bread? —
- 5 How was your meeting? —
- 6 What did you do while you were waiting at the hospital? —
- 7 Why does water boil when you heat it? —
- 8 What should I do about the argument I had with my sister? —
- 9 Why is the playground closed? —
- 10 My bike was stolen because I forgot to lock it up. —

- a I'd forgive and forget if I were you.
- b Oh well, you live and learn, I suppose.
- c I paced backwards and forwards in the corridor.
- d You need to weigh up the pros and cons to help you make a decision.
- e It's the law of cause and effect.
- f I guess it's a question of supply and demand.
- g Short and sweet – it only lasted ten minutes.
- h Yes, the thunder-and-lightning-woke-me-up.
- i We're looking for some peace and quiet.
- j For health and safety reasons.

b Find the word pairs in the list and link them with *or*. Then complete the sentences.

alive all dead later less more never  
nothing now once rain right shine  
sooner twice wrong

- 1 The criminal was wanted dead or alive and there was a \$500 reward for his capture.
- 2 She goes jogging every morning, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 I'm not sure if this answer in my maths homework is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Patricia is about to leave, so it's \_\_\_\_\_ – I may not get another chance to ask her out.
- 5 It's \_\_\_\_\_ with Sue; either she calls every day or you don't hear from her for weeks.
- 6 I've been skiing \_\_\_\_\_, but I'm not very good at it.
- 7 Nathan has \_\_\_\_\_ finished his homework – all he has to do now is to print it out.
- 8 There's no point waiting – I'll have to tell John the truth \_\_\_\_\_.

c Complete the word-pair idioms.

- 1 We only take a few bits \_\_\_\_\_ and pieces \_\_\_\_\_ with us when we go on holiday.
- 2 I'm s\_\_\_\_\_ and t\_\_\_\_\_ of having to tidy up after my children.
- 3 B\_\_\_\_\_ and I\_\_\_\_\_, I'd say I had a happy childhood.
- 4 She's fine now, but it was t\_\_\_\_\_ and g\_\_\_\_\_ whether she would survive the operation.
- 5 The streets were very dangerous because of the lack of l\_\_\_\_\_ and o\_\_\_\_\_ in the city.
- 6 We arrived s\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_ after a difficult three-day journey through the mountains.
- 7 I've no idea what we're having for my birthday lunch because my wife told me to w\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 We go to the cinema n\_\_\_\_\_ and a\_\_\_\_\_, but more often than not, we just watch a film on TV.

### 3 VOCABULARY FROM READING

Complete the missing vowels in the words and phrases.

- 1 A speaker doesn't have to be a comedian to include a little wit in his or her speech.
- 2 Salespeople need to have the g\_\_\_\_ f of the g\_\_\_\_ b to sell as many products as possible.
- 3 That politician is very good at making memorable s\_\_\_\_ ndb\_\_\_\_ t\_\_\_\_ when he talks to journalists.
- 4 Winston Churchill was famous for being a great r\_\_\_\_ t\_\_\_\_ r who made powerful speeches.

### 4 PRONUNCIATION pausing and sentence stress

a 10.2 Listen to a talk about an interesting place to visit. Mark the pauses.

Good morning, and thank you for coming. I'm here to talk about an interesting place to visit in my country. I'm going to tell you about the city of Bath in the south-west of England. Bath is on the River Avon, and it has one of the only bridges in the world with shops on either side. The city is famous for its ancient Roman Baths, which can still be visited today. It has many beautiful streets, such as the Royal Crescent and the Circus. Bath is full of museums, independent shops, and wonderful places to eat and drink. The city is easily accessible from London by train, and it is perfect for a day trip or a weekend break.



- b Practise giving the talk, pausing and trying to get the right rhythm.
- c Now write your own talk about an interesting place to visit in your country. Mark the pauses.
- d Read your speech. If you can, record it on your phone and send it to your teacher.