Developing vocabulary

Compound adjectives

1 Look at these words. They are compound adjectives, adjectives made by joining two words. The two words are usually connected with a hyphen (–).

well-organised *hard-working*

Complete the compound adjectives in the definitions with the words in the box.

badly • blue/brown/green • easy full • good • part • right/left • well

1 when you don't work all day or all week in your job
.....-time

2 relaxed and calm
.....-going

3 when you don't get much money in your job
.....-paid

4 when you work all day and all week in your job
.....-time

5 when you get paid a lot of money in your job
.....-paid

6 with blue/brown/green eyes
.....-eyed

7 when you write with your right/left hand
.....-handed

8 attractive
.....-looking

9 famous
.....-known

10 rich
.....-off

2 44 Listen and check your answers.

3a PRONUNCIATION 44 Listen again and repeat. Where is the stress in the compound adjectives? Is it on the first word, the second word or on both?

3b Practise saying the words with the correct stress.

4 Which of the compound adjectives on this page can you use to describe:

1 yourself?
2 your mother/father?
3 Rafael Nadal?

Rafael Nadal

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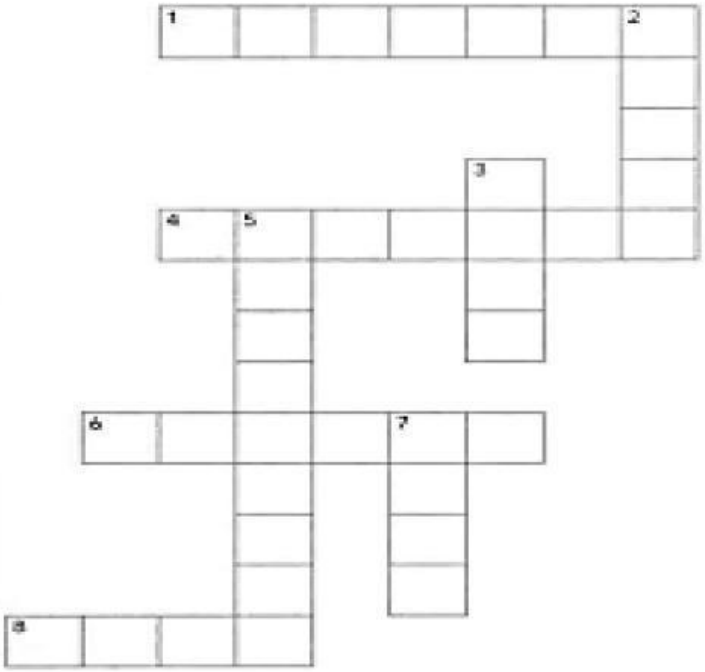
1 Complete the crossword.



Across

1 He's the first person to arrive at work and the last person to go. He does more than anybody else. He's very hard-.....

4 They're a very attractive couple. She's very beautiful and he's good-.....

6 You've got the pen in your left hand. Are you left-.....?

8 She's the director of a large multinational company. I'm sure she's well-.....

Down

2 You should be more relaxed and easy-.....

3 That teacher only teaches two lessons a day. He's part-.....

5 She's well-..... She always knows where she should be and what she has to do.

7 People from Northern Europe sometimes have blonde hair and are blue-.....

STUDY SKILLS

How do you learn new vocabulary? Which do you think is better: revising for a long time just once before an exam or revising for a shorter period more frequently?

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