# 2E Word Skills

## Word building

*I can understand parts of speech and dictionary entries.*

**1** **Write the noun form of these verbs. Some are the same as the verb.**

| Verb | Noun |
|---|---|
| 1 complete | completion |
| 2 achieve | |
| 3 need | |
| 4 dream | |
| 5 argue | |
| 6 fail | |
| 7 translate | |
| 8 erupt | |
| 9 rescue | |

**2** **Complete the text with the noun form of the verbs in brackets. You may need the plural form.**

Last year, at the age of seventeen, Mike Perham became the youngest sailor to complete a [1]_____ (circumnavigate) of the world alone. But this year, two sixteen-year-old girls are beginning separate [2]_____ (attempt) to beat his record. Last year, a thirteen-year-old Dutch girl, Laura Dekker, was finishing her [3]_____ (prepare) for the same journey when a children's court stopped her. Now aged fourteen, she's trying again. It seems that many teenagers today aren't interested in the normal forms of [4]_____ (entertain) and [5]_____ (relax), like video games and sports. They want [6]_____ (experience) that can really excite their [7]_____ (imagine) and also help with the [8]_____ (develop) of personal skills. So they choose [9]_____ (explore). Their amazing [10]_____ (accomplish) certainly look good on their CVs when it's time to find [11]_____ (employ). But for most of them, that probably isn't the main [12]_____ (motivate).

**3** **Study the dictionary entries. Then answer the questions below.**

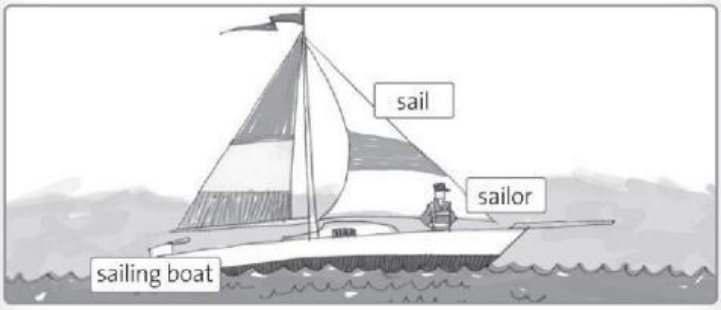
**explore** /ɪkˈsplɔː/ *verb* to travel around a place, etc. in order to learn about it: *They went on an expedition to explore the River Amazon.* ◆ (figurative) *We need to explore* (= look carefully at) *all the possibilities before we decide.* > **exploration** *noun* [U]

**explorer** /ɪkˈsplɔːrə/ *noun* [C] a person who travels around a place in order to learn about it

1 Which noun is countable? _____
2 Which noun is uncountable? _____
3 Which noun has no definition? _____
(Note: related nouns sometimes have no definition if the meaning is clear without one.)
4 Which entry has example sentences? _____
5 Why are there two examples, not one?
_____
_____
6 Which entry has no information about pronunciation? _____

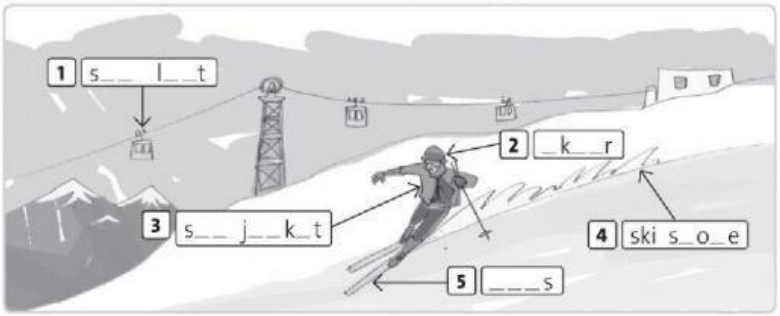
**VOCAB BOOST!**

Sometimes pictures with labels can help you record and learn related words.




Verbs
sail – She sailed to America.
go sailing – We went sailing last summer.

**4** **Read the *Vocab boost!* box. Then complete the labels and add any other words you can. Use a dictionary to help you.**






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