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SEEING IS BELIEVING

VOCABULARY

Collocations: thinking

1 Put the letters in the correct order to make thinking collocations.

1 keam pu uroy dimm _____

2 seu you migantoinia _____

3 rcsos yuro dimm _____

4 evah a ohtuhtg _____

5 veha cosecnd tugohts _____

6 vieg sonemoe a thin _____

7 eosl yuro ticoenancrtn _____

2 Complete the sentences with the correct collocations from Exercise 1.

1 If you suddenly start thinking about something, you _____.

2 To help them to guess something, you can _____.

3 When people are talking in an exam, you can _____.

4 When you are an artist, you have to _____.

5 When you have an important decision to make, it's hard to _____.

6 Sometimes you can _____ about something and decide not to do it.

7 If you think about something for a short time, it _____.

3 Choose the correct collocation.

- 1 Shall I go out tonight? I can't *make up my mind* / *cross my mind*.
- 2 My sister was playing her music too loud when I was doing my homework. I *had second thoughts* / *lost my concentration*.
- 3 I wanted Jemma to guess what her present was – so I *had a thought* / *gave her a hint*.
- 4 What was the first thing that *gave you a hint* / *crossed your mind* when you won the prize?
- 5 I was going to play football on Saturday, but I *lost my concentration* / *had second thoughts* and went to the cinema instead.
- 6 I had to write a story for homework, so I *used my imagination* / *made up my mind* to create the characters.
- 7 Have you found anyone to play guitar in the band yet? If not, I've just *had a thought* / *given you a hint*.

4 Choose the correct form of the collocation from Exercise 1 to complete the text.

Before the maths exam yesterday, it

1 _____ that I might not pass it. There was one really difficult question in the exam where I couldn't²

what the answer was. And to make it worse, there were some students behind me, talking all the time, so I³ _____.

All I really wanted was for someone to

4 _____ so I could answer the question, but obviously that doesn't happen in an exam. So instead, I just started dreaming and tried to⁵ _____. After the exam finished, I⁶ _____ that I might not continue with the subject next year. But then I⁷ _____ and decided that it was best to continue.

