## 2 Focus on vocabulary

**Part A: Match the vocabulary to the definition.**

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| 1. | back (v) | a. | be powerful and effective |
| 2. | landmark (n) | b. | must be obeyed or followed because it is the law |
| 3. | turning point (n) | c. | results of something which are often not pleasant |
| 4. | have teeth (idiom) | d. | agreed or supported by 100 per cent of a group |
| 5. | consequences (n) | e. | causing people to disagree strongly |
| 6. | contentious (adj) | f. | an event that marks an important stage or development |
| 7. | binding (adj) | g. | strongly support something and agree with it fully |
| 8. | unanimous (adj) | h. | the time when an important event happens that marks a change, usually for the better |

**Part B: Now complete the following sentences with a word from Part A.**

1. The creation of the United Nations was a _____ event, and no other organization has shown such cooperation between so many of the world's nations.
2. The court will probably not _____ our argument unless we can show real evidence that you were harmed.
3. The judge's decision is _____, so you will have no choice but to follow her ruling.
4. The loss of ice at the north and south poles may signal a _____ from which there is no return in the fight against climate change.
5. The vote was _____- all members rejected the proposal made by some of the Members of the European Parliament.
6. The _____ of climate change may cost many lives around the globe in the near future.
7. Lawmakers want to make sure that the new environmental protection laws _____, so they are including strong penalties for any violations.
8. Politicians try strongly to avoid saying anything _____ when they are seeking office.


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## 3 Listening for specific information

**Listen to some speakers talk about advisory opinions. Choose the sentence with true information about it.**

1. ☐ They are issued for contentious cases between two or more countries.
2. ☐ The International Court of Justice will only issue them if there is unanimous state support for the issue.
3. ☐ The advice they give must be followed by the countries that are affected by them.
4. ☐ Only specialized agencies within the United Nations may ask for them.

## 4 Listening comprehension

**Listen to the interview again and decide if the sentences based on the speakers' information are true (T) or false (F).**

1. The United Nations did not support involving the International Court of Justice in the climate. _____
2. Young people from the Pacific led the movement to bring the issue of the climate to the United Nations and the International Court of Justice. _____
3. The rulings of the International Court of Justice on "contentious cases" do not have any teeth. _____
4. The International Court of Justice disagreed with Australia in its case against Japan. _____
5. The UN General Assembly asked for an advisory opinion based on a document drafted by Vanuatu. _____
6. The advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice was only supported by Vanuatu and Australia. _____
7. Advisory opinions from the International Court of Justice do not have any teeth. _____




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