

Write the corresponding letter in each blank

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

0 A circumstances B background C topic D context

Opposites don't attract after all

In the (0) D of interpersonal relationships, it is often claimed that opposites attract. Just as two magnets with opposite poles are (1) together, so people are (2) to be attracted to those who are poles apart.

However, all the evidence seems to point towards the opposite conclusion: that the more similar two people are, in (3) of everything from their political views to the products they tend to buy, the better their relationship is likely to be. We (4) not to be much like magnets after all.

One significant (5) of surrounding ourselves with people who share our views, values and preferences is that we can easily end up with a distorted worldview, as we are rarely (6) to different opinions. Comfortable as it is to spend time with people who agree with us on (7) everything, it is also important to seek out opposing (8) – people who will tell us, 'Actually, no, you're wrong.'

1 A thrown	B sent	C drawn	D dragged
2 A assumed	B realised	C concluded	D acknowledged
3 A spite	B sense	C case	D terms
4 A come across	B end up	C go on	D turn out
5 A oversight	B downside	C falsehood	D omission
6 A uncovered	B displayed	C exposed	D revealed
7 A virtually	B somewhat	C hardly	D relatively
8 A aspects	B impressions	C assumptions	D viewpoints