1. Match words and expression with definitions:

Word/Expression	Definition
to pretend	A. to discover someone who does something bad
butt of the joke	B. to kill someone
recruitment	C. to contact someone
broken English	D. someone who doesn't tell the truth
to call up	E. not wanting to work
employee	F. a style of English with mistakes
liar	G. someone who works in a company
lazy	H. helps people find work
former	I. to act as if you are someone else
to lie	J. the person everyone laughs at
to get in touch with	K. to say things that aren't true
to sniff out	L. to telephone someone
traitor	M. not current, previous
to finish	N. someone who does something bad or illegal

BORAT

Borat is a television reporter from Kazakhstan... well, actually, he isn't really, he's comedian Sacha Baron Cohen **pretending** to be a reporter from Kazakhstan. As part of his **fictitious** job, Borat reports on life in the US and UK, interviewing real people: doctors, politicians, sportspeople, actors... Borat's interview technique is simple:
1 He asks silly questions or says ridiculous things.
2 The people he's talking to accept this – they just think that's the way he is; **3** They end up becoming the **butt of the joke**. In this scene, Borat is talking to a **recruitment** expert about how to get a job. Notice Borat's use of **broken English**.

The Script

I=Interviewer B=Borat

I: Tell me a little bit about... what would your boss that you had at your last job... if I **called him up** and asked him what kind of **employee** you were, what would he say about you?

B: Erm, he will say bad things, but that is because he a **liar** [sic*].

I: OK. What things would he say?

B: Erm, he would say that I'm very **lazy**.

I: OK, what does he mean by that?

B: He think I do not like work [sic].

I: OK, what about the previous job that you had. What would that boss say about you?

B: He also say a bad thing [sic]. He a liar too [sic].

I: Really?

B: Yes.

I: OK, so all of your **former** bosses are going to **lie** about you?

B: There is one that would say a good thing.

I: Which one is that?

B: He from a, from a sales company [sic], but he, erm, he's dead.

I: He's dead?

B: Yes.

I: OK, so we can't **get in touch with** him?

B: No.

I: Do you feel like you're the kind of person that can work well with other people?

B: I very good work with other people [sic], and I want you to know that I can **sniff out** if there is a **traitor** in a company. And if I find them, I can **finish** them.

I: Well, we really don't need you to do that.

VIDEO You Tube

Watch the clip from the interview. search YouTube for **"Borat job interviews"**.

*SIC

"sic" is used to indicate that the text has appeared exactly the way someone said something, often when that text is non-standard or incorrect. Literally, "sic" is Latin for "thus". "Sic" often appears in square brackets [sic].

GLOSSARY

to pretend *vb*
if you "pretend" to be someone, you act as if you're that person, even though you aren't really
fictitious *adj*
a "fictitious" person isn't a real person and doesn't really exist
the butt of a joke *exp*
the "butt of a joke" is the person who is the victim of the joke and the person who everyone else laughs at
recruitment *n*
a "recruitment" expert helps people find work
broken English *exp*
a style of English that a foreigner might use, with incorrect grammar and the incorrect use of words, etc.
to call up *phr vb*
to telephone someone
an employee *n*
someone who works in a company / organisation
a liar *n*
someone who doesn't tell the truth
lazy *adj*
someone who doesn't like to work
former *adj*
your "former" boss is the one you had before the one you've got now
to lie *vb*
to say things that aren't true
to get in touch with *exp*
if you "get in touch with" someone, you speak to them by phone, etc.
to sniff out *phr vb*
if you "sniff out" a traitor (for example), you discover them
a traitor *n*
a "traitor" does something bad or illegal against their country or against the company where they work
to finish *vb inform*
if you "finish" someone, you kill them

3. Post-Reading: Complete the sentences using the correct glossary word.

1. Borat called his old boss a _____ because he said bad things about him.
2. In the interview, Borat uses _____, which means his grammar isn't perfect.
3. If you _____ someone, you find out they are not loyal.
4. If you _____ someone, you kill them.
5. The _____ helps people find jobs.

4. Vocabulary Quiz: Write the English word for each definition below:

1. Someone who works in a company: _____
2. To say something that isn't true: _____
3. The person everyone laughs at: _____
4. Previous boss: _____
5. To discover a traitor: _____