

## VOCABULARY FOCUS

**Task 1: Complete the sentences with a word or expression from the box.**

**got divorced, fell out, identical twins, went on a date, proposed, keep in touch, fiancé, blended family, brought up, settled down, single parent, raised, remarried**

1. Mia and Leo were high school sweethearts and eventually \_\_\_\_\_ after ten years together.
2. After his wife passed away, Tom \_\_\_\_\_ and now lives with his second wife and her children.
3. He was \_\_\_\_\_ by his grandparents, who taught him the value of hard work and honesty.
4. Anna and her sister look so alike — they're actually. \_\_\_\_\_!
5. After years of arguments, Jack and Kate finally \_\_\_\_\_ and decided to live separately.
6. Last month, while they were traveling in Paris, her long-term boyfriend unexpectedly \_\_\_\_\_ to Sarah, leaving her momentarily speechless.
7. Paul's \_\_\_\_\_ works abroad, so they only see each other on holidays.
8. In a \_\_\_\_\_, stepbrothers and stepsisters often live under the same roof.
9. My mum was a \_\_\_\_\_ for five years before she got married again.
10. Even though we moved away after university, we still \_\_\_\_\_ and talk regularly.

**Task 2: Choose the best word to complete each sentence.**

1. She has beautiful, thick, wavy \_\_\_\_\_ that falls just past her shoulders.  
*a. eyebrows      b. cheeks      c. hair      d. eyelashes*
2. He's always so confident and sure of himself - a very \_\_\_\_\_ person.  
*a. self-conscious      b. self-assured      c. selfish      d. self-pitying*
3. My sister is very \_\_\_\_\_ — she never forgets birthdays and always helps others.  
*a. forgetful      b. generous      c. boastful      d. reserved*
4. My uncle is extremely \_\_\_\_\_; he gets angry at the smallest things.  
*a. tolerant      b. level-headed      c. short-tempered      d. loyal*
5. Emma has a pale \_\_\_\_\_ with rosy cheeks and light freckles.  
*a. expression      b. skin      c. face      d. complexion*
6. James is quite \_\_\_\_\_ — he doesn't speak much in large groups.  
*a. shy      b. rude      c. outgoing      d. immature*

7. Laura's children are polite, helpful, and very well \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. treated      b. dressed      c. behaved      d. grown
8. The twins look similar but have completely different \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. personalities      b. genders      c. names      d. faces
9. Although she's very smart, she's also \_\_\_\_\_ and doesn't show off.  
a. arrogant      b. modest      c. stubborn      d. curious
10. He has a very \_\_\_\_\_ smile that makes everyone feel welcome.  
a. fake      b. charming      c. worried      d. jealous
11. My younger brother is extremely \_\_\_\_\_; he always believes everything people tell him.  
a. trustworthy      b. sensible      c. serious      d. gullible
12. That boy is so \_\_\_\_\_ - one minute he's laughing, the next he's yelling.  
a. dependable      b. easy-going      c. moody      d. generous
13. She's quite \_\_\_\_\_ and always wants to be in control of the group.  
a. nosy      b. bossy      c. honest      d. reliable
14. My cousin is very \_\_\_\_\_ - she enjoys exploring, traveling, and trying new things.  
a. adventurous      b. obedient      c. selfish      d. boring
15. His \_\_\_\_\_ appearance made him stand out in the room: tall, strong build, and striking blue eyes.  
a. average      b. handsome      c. athletic      d. muscular

**Task 3: Choose the correct word or phrase.**

1. We are a very **distant** / **close-knit** family and often have dinners together.
2. My little brother and I never **fall out** / **bring up**, we're best friends.
3. She was raised by her **stepmother** / **godmother** after her parents separated.
4. My cousin is very **solitary** / **sociable** — she loves going to parties and meeting new people.
5. His parents are both quite **strict** / **selfish**, especially about school and rules.
6. My grandparents have been **married** / **engaged** for over 50 years.
7. They adopted a child and became **siblings** / **foster parents** last year.
8. My sister is very **generous** / **jealous** — she always shares everything with me.
9. Despite working long hours, he made time for daily workouts and weekend hikes, maintaining a **sedentary** / **dynamic** lifestyle.
10. Although we don't see each other often, we always **keep in touch** / **take after**.
11. While on the playground, **adolescents** / **toddlers** often need close supervision as they explore their surroundings.
12. The **newly-wed** / **newborn couple** received dozens of congratulatory cards and well wishes on their recent wedding.
13. We are a very **extended** / **close-knit** family — we support each other and stay in regular contact.
14. During the holiday dinner, my **godfather** / **father-in-law** shared stories about his youth and how he met my mother-in-law.