

**Exercise 1. Fill in the blanks with words from the box**  
(Time allowed: 15 minutes. Use dictionary to look up to new words:  
5 minutes)

mother-in-law  
widowed

single  
give birth

separated  
born

divorced  
bring up

1. My uncle got \_\_\_\_\_ last year. Now he lives alone and sees his kids on the weekend.
2. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ anymore — I got engaged last month!
3. My grandmother was \_\_\_\_\_ at 35 when my grandfather died in a car accident.
4. Women usually \_\_\_\_\_ in hospital, but some choose to do it at home.
5. I was \_\_\_\_\_ in 2005 in a small town near Manchester.
6. It's hard to \_\_\_\_\_ children well without support from your partner.
7. I get along really well with my \_\_\_\_\_ – my husband's mother often invites me over for tea on Sundays.
8. After they argued for a year, they decided to get \_\_\_\_\_ and live in different houses.

**Exercise 2. Make sentences, using verb + that – clause** (Time allowed: 15 minutes. Use dictionary to look up to new words: 5 minutes)

1. I / agree / parents / should spend / more time / children

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

2. My brother / not be sure / our grandfather / enjoy / living alone

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. My parents / support the idea / teenagers / should do housework / regularly

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

4. We / doubt / my uncle / will / move back / our hometown

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

5. My mum / be convinced / strong families / create / happy children

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

6. My cousin / be against the idea / grandparents / should live / in care homes

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

7. Many people / feel / siblings / help / each other / become more responsible

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

8. I / not agree / parents / should control / every decision / their children make

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

**Exercise 3. Rewrite each sentence using the word in brackets to form a sentence with the same meaning.**  
*(Time allowed: 15 minutes. Use dictionary to look up to new words: 5 minutes)*

1. We didn't go out for dinner. We were too tired. (because)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

2. My brother helps with the chores. I prefer doing my homework.  
(while)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

3. She didn't want to attend the family reunion. She still came. (even though)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

4. They support different football teams. They never argue about it.  
(though)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

5. My father is very strict. I really respect him. (although)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

6. My mum decided to stay home. My little brother was feeling sick.  
(as)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

7. My uncle likes spending holidays at home. My aunt prefers travelling abroad. (whereas)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.

8. We had a quiet dinner at home. My grandparents don't like crowded restaurants. (since)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_.