

LISTEN WITH SPEAKAYOU

EPISODE #4: SURVIVING & ENJOYING FAMILY HOLIDAYS

1 POSITIVE OR CHALLENGING?

Sort the vocabulary into two lists. Does the phrase usually describe a positive/neutral situation or a potentially difficult/conflict situation?

Options: Quality time Bite your tongue
See eye to eye The black sheep Festive spirit
Bring up (a sensitive topic) Close-knit family

Positive/Neutral	Difficult/Conflict

2 COMPLETE THE COLLOCATIONS

Match the verb on the left with the noun phrase on the right.

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| 1. Keep... | A. ...home. |
| 2. Make it... | B. ...memory lane. |
| 3. Spoil someone... | C. ...a tradition alive. |
| 4. Run in... | D. ...rotten. |
| 5. Take a trip down... | E. ...the family. |

3 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Choose the correct option.

1. My aunt, uncle, and cousins are considered my _____ family.
 2. We generally have a good relationship, but we don't _____ on how to raise children.
 3. My mother loves to _____ embarrassing stories from my childhood.
 4. Let's go for a coffee and _____ each other.
 5. Musical talent really _____ in their family.
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4 REWRITE THE SENTENCE

Rewrite the sentence using the word in parentheses so that it means the same thing.

1. I stopped myself from saying something rude. (bit)

2. He is the outcast of the family because he behaves differently. (sheep)

3. We really want to continue doing this Christmas habit every year. (alive)

4. My brother is my biological relative, so I must support him. (blood)

5. It was difficult, but I finally arrived at my house before midnight. (made)
