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A9-A12. RELATIONSHIPS

1. True friendship isn't about always agreeing, it's about knowing you can **1**. ... on each other even when you **2**. ... out. My grandmother and her best friend have been in **3**. ... for over sixty years. They **4**. ... up their children together and supported each other through hard times. Their story **5**. ... me that the best friendships are built on loyalty and the ability to **6**. ... up after any argument. It's a bond that only grows stronger with time.

1	support	appeal	attract	agree	rely
2	fall	take	give	make	get
3	communication	link	connection	touch	discussion
4	grew	brought	took	gave	picked
5	remembers	recalls	resembles	reminds	refers
6	bring	make	fall	grow	give

2. Successful marriage today is less about tradition and more about partnership. Both individuals often work to **1.** ... for the family, sharing responsibilities at home. It's crucial to **2.** ... openly and support each other's personal goals. Couples who **3.** ... pride in their partner's achievements, rather than feeling competitive, are **4**. ... to be happier. This mutual respect is the foundation of a strong, modern union.

1	support	provide	supply	gain	achieve
2	contact	deal	interact	cope	treat
3	get	have	give	take	make
4	possible	like	likely	tend	real

3. It's 1. ... for teenagers and their parents to have different tastes in music or fashion. However, a real problem can **2.** ... when this leads to a breakdown in communication. Parents might feel their authority is challenged, while teens feel misunderstood. To **3.** ... this, both sides need to make an effort. Instead of trying to avoid difficult conversations, they should **4.** ... their feelings calmly. Finding common ground can **5. ...** minor disagreements from turning into major conflicts.

1	popular	common	clear	famous	familiar
2	raise	increase	arise	get	become
3	cope	deal	handle	decide	deny
4	talk	speak	chat	communicate	discuss
5	avoid	prevent	end	deny	refuse

4. I recently **1.** ... into my former university professor, Dr. Evans. We hadn't spoken in years, but he immediately remembered me. We decided to **2.** ... up over coffee. I was always a bit **3.** ... of him during my studies, finding him strict. To my surprise, we had a wonderful conversation and discovered we have a lot in **4.** ..., particularly a passion for classic literature. It was a reminder that friendships can blossom in the most unexpected places.

1	came	ran	arrived	met	caught
2	hold	get	pick	take	catch
3	worried	nervous	afraid	pessimistic	shocked
4	fact	general	reality	common	danger

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5. My grandfather always wanted me to **1.** ... in his footsteps and take over the family business. For a long time, I **2.** ... because I had my own dreams. I didn't want to **3.** ... him down, but I needed to be true to myself. We eventually had a long talk where I explained my ambitions. To my relief, he understood. Now, he **4.** ... pride in my career, even though it's different from his. It **5.** ... me that honesty can strengthen family bonds.

1	keep	follow	go	come	repeat
2	refused	avoided	prevented	provided	denied
3	move	catch	get	let	take
4	takes	makes	does	gives	holds
5	studied	learnt	taught	brought	raised

6. Every couple faces challenges. The key is not to **1.** ... arguments but to learn how to **2.** ... with them constructively. Using "I feel" statements instead of blaming your partner can **3.** ... a huge difference. If you **4.** ... out, take some time to cool down before trying to make up. Remember, the goal isn't to win an argument but to understand each other better and find a solution you can both **5.** ... .

1	break	deny	avoid	refuse	run
2	handle	manage	face	tackle	deal
3	provide	make	follow	lead	result
4	feel	get	fall	go	move
5	except	expect	accept	access	escape

7. In our busy lives, it's easy to lose **1.** ... with old friends. Making an effort to **2.** ... in contact, even with a short message, shows you care for the relationship. Don't **3.** ... your friends for granted. A simple "How are you?" can **4.** ... someone up and **5.** ... them they are valued. These small gestures are what keep the fabric of friendship strong over years and distances.

1	sight	heart	touch	mind	temper
2	stand	keep	hold	continue	follow
3	make	get	take	see	pay
4	take	give	pick	cheer	make
5	resemble	recollect	memorise	remind	remember

8. **1.** ... up children in a blended family presents unique challenges. Children may struggle to **2.** ... along with new step-siblings or accept a new parental figure. It's important for the adults to **3.** ... a united front and a sense of security. Patience and open communication are vital. Over time, with consistent effort, a new, strong family unit can form where everyone feels they **4.** ... .

1	Growing	Giving	Taking	Breaking	Bringing
2	make	take	get	go	work
3	prevent	provide	appeal	afford	rise
4	belong	possess	own	inhabit	live

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9. Twins are often fascinating to people around them. Many of them **1. ...** after their parents in personality but also strongly **2.** ... each other in appearance. They usually **2. ...** up sharing the same toys, school, and even friends. This close bond can feel almost magical to outsiders. At the same time, twins often need to create their own identities. As they become teenagers, many try to **3.** ... their hobbies or style from their sibling. Doctors **4.** ... twins develop strong empathy, as they learn to read each other's emotions quickly. That's why they often stay best friends for life, even if their paths are different.

1	grow	get	make	look	take
2	look	follow	resemble	remind	take
3	pick	get	grow	bring	educate
4	share	split	divide	separate	borrow
5	talk	discuss	tell	say	speak

10. Trust is the heart of every friendship. Close friends know they can **1.** ... each other, even with their biggest worries. Many teenagers love to **2.** ... secrets late at night, believing their friend will **3.** ... them safe. But nothing hurts more than when someone uses these secrets to **4.** ... fun of another person. Respect and loyalty are essential to protect a friendship from such betrayal. Wise people say you should test friends in hard times, not in easy ones. If someone proves reliable, the bond grows stronger. A true secret shared is a bridge, not a weapon.

1	trust	rely	depend	count	appeal
2	divide	split	share	communicate	separate
3	hold	take	keep	put	catch
4	have	do	play	make	get

11. Friendship is often about the little things. People like to **1.** ... out with friends after school or work, whether at cafés, parks, or at home. Old classmates sometimes meet to **2.** ... up with each other, telling stories about their lives. Even simple activities, like watching a film or cooking, help friends **3.** ... friends over the years. Laughter and shared experiences **4.** ... them to have a great time together. Psychologists say spending time with friends reduces stress and increases happiness. It's no **5.** ... many people say friends are "therapy without a price." Every hour spent together is an investment in joy.

1	keep	hang	hold	take	make
2	make	take	do	catch	put
3	stand	stay	continue	grow	raise
4	let	afford	allow	prevent	propose
5	denying	point	wonder	doubt	reason

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12. Most children remember the way they were **1.** ... up, because it shapes their character. In many families, parents teach siblings to be **2.** ... to each other in values, even if their personalities differ. Older children often learn to **3.** ... care of the younger ones when parents are busy. Sometimes this responsibility feels heavy, and when something goes wrong, the younger child may even **4.** ... the elder for mistakes. Still, learning to cooperate is important for later life. Teenagers also need time to explore the world on their **5.** ..., without parents watching every step. Finding the right balance between freedom and guidance is the true challenge of parenting. Families that manage it usually raise confident and independent adults.

1	grown	raised	risen	brought	broken
2	familiar	similar	same	likely	exact
3	get	make	do	pay	take
4	blame	charge	accuse	prevent	avoid
5	self	private	individual	particular	own

13. At school, children naturally try to **1.** ... friendships, but not every group is welcoming. Teachers sometimes **2.** ... the class into teams so that everyone has a chance to interact. Shy students may not know how to **3.** ... somebody new, so they need gentle encouragement. It helps when adults **4.** ... them join activities without too much pressure. Friendships that begin in the classroom are **5. ...** to continue outside school, turning classmates into lifelong companions. Psychologists say the ability to connect early influences a child's happiness later. That's why schools should create an atmosphere where every student feels included. After all, learning social skills is just as important as studying maths or science.

1	make	take	give	hold	do
2	share	divide	separate	part	fall
3	interact	communicate	talk	contact	speak
4	let	afford	allow	provide	make
5	probable	possible	alike	likely	common

14. Healthy relationships are **1**. ... on trust and kindness. When people face problems, they must learn to **2.** ... with stress instead of fighting each other. A good partner is someone you can safely **3.** ... about your fears or dreams without feeling judged. Wise people also know when to avoid unnecessary arguments that only **4**. ... pain. Sometimes even small gestures, like offering to **5.** ... a favour, can make a big difference. Above all, strong relationships require both sides to **6.** ... each other with respect, no matter the situation. Without this, even love can disappear. With it, any relationship can **7**. ... storms and grow stronger.

1	situated	located	originated	based	found
2	tackle	manage	handle	face	cope
3	speak	tell	discuss	contact	treat
4	cause	do	lead	result	make
5	make	do	take	pay	run
6	communicate	discuss	treat	contact	speak
7	support	survive	succeed	separate	spare

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