

10.1 Choose the correct collocation.

- 1 The dentist told me to *shut / close* my mouth.
- 2 I didn't know what to do when I got into my car and couldn't *start / begin* the engine.
- 3 I want to buy a sweater for my dad. He needs one in a *big / large* size.
- 4 I haven't *finished / ended* my essay yet. I can't decide how to *finish / end* it.
- 5 At what time do you plan to *shut / close* the conference?
- 6 All societies develop their own stories about how the world *started / began*.
- 7 It's far too *big / large* a problem for you to solve on your own.
- 8 It's never easy to *finish / end* a relationship.

10.2 Look at B. Complete each phrase with a word meaning either 'old' or 'alone'.

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| 1 a figure on the horizon | 6 to live |
| 2 a shop selling furniture | 7 to feel desperately |
| 3 to be an child | 8 to catch up with friends |
| 4 the survivor of the accident | 9 support for parents |
| 5 to study history | 10 a home for people |

10.3 Correct these sentences. Think what word is not correct and write the correct one on the box

- 1 Were many people damaged in the earthquake?
- 2 Single parents who are growing children without a partner's support are entitled to financial help from the government.
- 3 My mobile isn't working. I need to load the battery.
- 4 She has a lot of beautiful elderly jewellery.
- 5 When we moved house, two men helped us to charge the van.
- 6 That's not news – it's antique history!
- 7 I don't know how to charge a gun, let alone fire one.
- 8 I've never been very successful at raising plants.