

Collocations

1a Match words from A with words from B to form collocations.

A

become clear physical share social technological

B

appearance aware development information media relationship

b Use the collocations to complete the sentences. Check any unknown words in a dictionary.

- 1 It's often acceptable to make decisions based on people's _____.
- 2 _____ rarely contain honest representations of friends' lives.
- 3 People usually _____ of international events through online news feeds.
- 4 There is a _____ between online stories and general public opinion.
- 5 Now that researchers _____ on the web, there are more scientific advances.
- 6 _____ is not always a good thing.

Phrasal verbs

2a Match the beginnings of the sentences (1–8) with the endings (A–H).

- 1 It can be hard for me to **get**
- 2 It's not helpful to **bring**
- 3 I like it when people **point**
- 4 I would **sum**
- 5 When I write, I often **leave**
- 6 I'm better at **picking**
- 7 Online videos can help to **spell**
- 8 If friends get into an argument, I **back**

A out my errors to me.
B up on other people's mistakes than my own.
C up my experience of IELTS very positively!
D out how to do practical things.
E up old fears or worries.
F them up every time.
G out articles and prepositions.
H across my ideas in English.

b Match the phrasal verbs in bold with the meanings below.

bring attention to explain explain very clearly mention not mention notice summarise support

1. Bring attention to _____
2. Explain _____
3. Explain very clearly _____
4. Mention _____
5. Not mention _____
6. Notice _____
7. Summarise _____
8. Support _____

Words with more than one meaning

3a Look at the pairs of sentences. Match the word in *italics* in A and B with the correct meaning below.

- 1 A That knife has a dangerous **point**.
B I don't see the **point** of sharing photos.
idea or opinions.
sharp end
- 2 A The scientist gave an **account** of his work.
B My wages are paid into my **account**.
where you keep your money in a bank
a written or spoken description
- 3 A She's an expert in the **area** of mechanical engineering.
B The police closed off the **area**.
a subject or group of activities
a part of the country or city
- 4 A The man **argued** that the internet was unsafe.
B I heard my neighbours **argue** outside.
disagree in an angry way
give clear reasons for something

Communication

4 Complete the article with the noun form of the words in brackets. Sometimes a plural form is needed.

Teentalk

Talk about teenagers, and the 1 **conversation** (converse) often turns to the problems that teenagers face. Older people might argue that 2 _____ (communicate) is difficult because young people and adults do not share the same values. But a study has shown that there is still general 3 _____ (agree) among both generations on the big questions in life. Over 80 percent of adults and teens said honesty and telling the truth were most important. Interestingly, teenagers might want to develop better 4 _____ (understand) of each other. Over half the teens said that they thought their friends valued 5 _____ (popular) more than honesty. Changes in 6 _____ (technical) have not made much 7 _____ (differ) to the way young people relate to other people. Over 72 percent said that they had talked to their parents about the really difficult subjects, like alcohol, dating and drugs. And when it came to these difficult 8 _____ (discuss), over half said that they trusted their parents' 9 _____ (decide) more than anyone else's.

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