

## 5 VOCABULARY lexical areas

a Look at headings 1–4 in *Word Challenge*. With a partner, say what they mean.

b In pairs, do the exercises in *Word Challenge*. All the answers have come up in lessons 1A, 1B, and 2A. How many did you get right?

# Word Challenge

## 1 Collocations

Circle the correct word.

- After her marriage broke up, she **looked for** / **sought** refuge with friends.
- To our **full** / **complete** amazement, our daughter passed all her exams.
- My grandfather has quite a **fast** / **quick** temper.
- I spent a **pair** / **couple** of hours yesterday looking through old photos.
- We've got **distant** / **far** relatives in Australia.
- I don't think going freelance is a very good **job** / **career** move.
- I'm sorry if I **hurt** / **damaged** your feelings.
- I haven't really planned my trip yet, but I have an **approximate** / **a rough** itinerary.
- We are **strongly** / **highly** opposed to the government's new policy.
- I'm not very good in a crisis. I hate being **under** / **below** pressure.

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hard work

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## 2 Phrasal verbs

Complete the sentences with a verb from the list in the correct form.

carry (x2) come dress get  
go lay make put turn

- Look out for the Picasso drawings when you round the exhibition.
- We should put off the meeting till next week.
- She was really ill and it took her a long time to over it.
- She finally came up with a brilliant solution to the problem.
- Don't stop – on with what you're doing.
- He often lays up excuses for why he's late.
- The children love up in their grandparents' clothes.
- The book sounded fascinating, but it out to be really dull.
- A thousand workers were off when the factory closed.
- He's completely useless. He can't even out simple instructions.

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## 3 Synonyms and register

Match words or phrases 1–10 to synonyms

A–J. Which word is more formal in each pair?

1	ill-fated	A job
2	brothers and sisters	B benefit
3	conversation	C resign
4	task	D siblings
5	perk	E guy
6	against	F look like
7	quit	G unfortunate
8	man	H require
9	resemble	I chat
10	need	J opposed to

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## 4 Idioms

Complete the idioms.

- I told a **wh** I because I didn't want to upset him.
- We tried to **c** e, but he just ignored us.
- I woke up suddenly in **the d** of n – there was a noise downstairs.
- He's a really nice guy – very **d** e.
- This printer is such a **p** in the n; it never works.
- H** e could you spend \$2,000 on a watch?
- I **followed** the instructions **to the l**, but I still couldn't get the wi-fi to work.
- Let's not focus on the details. We need to see the **b** p.
- Jack's got his **n** to the gr, revising for his exams.
- I've got a **g** f that this meeting is going to go badly.

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