

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

hard work

pick up a language

awful / terrible

on the tip of my tongue

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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3 Synonyms and register

Match words or phrases 1–10 to synonyms A–J. Which word is more formal in each pair?

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|------------------------|---------------|
| 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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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 **off** the meeting till next week.
- She was really ill and it took her a long time to **over** it.
- She finally **up with** a brilliant solution to the problem.
- Don't stop – **on** with what you're doing.
- He often **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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4 Idioms

Complete the idioms.

- I told a **wh** _____ I _____ because I didn't want to upset him.
- We tried to **c** _____ the waiter's **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** _____ to **e** _____.
- This printer is such a **p** _____ in the **n** _____; it never works.
- H** _____ **on 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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