Language Focus

1 Vocabulary: types of law firm Match the halves of these sentences about the different types of law firm mentioned in Reading 1.

1 A **commercial practice**	**a** is managed by partners who share profits and responsibility equally.
2 A **large law firm**	**b** works on his or her own, has no partners and usually handles smaller cases.
3 A **law clinic**	**c** advises clients on corporate and commercial matters and may also negotiate transactions and solve business problems.
4 A **partnership**	**d** can have 50 or more lawyers working on complex matters for large organisations.
5 A **sole practitioner**	**e** gives students an opportunity to deal with real clients and to develop their legal skills.

2 Vocabulary: *law* vs *legal* Complete these sentences by inserting either *law* or *legal*.

1 Instruction in ____legal____ English is becoming compulsory in a growing number of law faculties all over the world.
2 After university, my work as a trainee solicitor gave me useful experience in commercial litigation, and I was offered a good position in a large _____ firm.
3 During my studies, I volunteered at a local _____ clinic, where I provided free _____ assistance to people who could not afford to pay for a lawyer.
4 Some of the most important courses a student completes during his or her studies of the law are skills courses, such as courses in _____ writing and _____ research.

3 Prepositions Complete these phrases from the lawyer's talk in Listening 2 with the prepositions in the box.

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a First, I'll start ____by____ giving you a little information _____ Barker Rose.
b Our Graduate Recruitment Programme includes an excellent set _____ benefits _____ students prepared to commit themselves fully.
c I'll then go _____ to outline what we have to offer _____ new associates.
d OK, let me just start _____ introducing myself.
e Finally, I'll also talk a little _____ what we expect _____ our potential graduate recruits.
f Hello, everyone, and thanks _____ coming along.
g Finally, I'd like to remind you _____ what I said _____ the beginning of my talk today.
h So, to start _____ , who are Barker Rose?
i This brings me _____ my next point: what benefits can successful applicants _____ our Graduate Recruitment Programme expect?

4 Ordering Number the statements in Exercise 3 in the order in which they most likely occurred. You may want to listen to the talk again to check if your answers are correct.
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