

DIY and repairs

VOCABULARY BANK

1 IN A SHED: TOOLS AND OTHER THINGS FOR REPAIRS

a Match the words and photos.

- brick /brɪk/
- bucket /'bʌkɪt/
- drill /driːl/
- hammer /'hæmə/
- ladder /'lædə/
- nail /neɪl/
- padlock /'pædlɒk/
- paintbrush /'peɪntbrʌʃ/
- piece of wood /piːs ɒv 'wʊd/
- rope /rəʊp/
- screwdriver /'skruːdraɪvə/
- screw /skruː/
- spanner /'spænə/
- tap /tæp/
- 1 tile /taɪl/
- wire /waɪə/



b 6.16 Listen and check.

2 IN A DRAWER: USEFUL THINGS AROUND THE HOUSE

a Match the words and photos.

- box of matches /bɒks ɒv 'mætʃɪz/
- drawing pin /'drɔːɪŋ pɪn/
- fuse /fjuːz/
- glue /gluː/
- handle /'hændl/
- light bulb /'laɪt bʌlb/
- needle and thread /niːdl ən 'θred/
- penknife /'pennaɪf/
- Sellotape /'seləteɪp/
- 1 string /strɪŋ/
- tape measure /'teɪp ,meɪʒə/
- torch /tɔːtʃ/

b 6.17 Listen and check.



3 VERB PHRASES

a Match verbs 1–9 to phrases a–i.

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| 1 c change | a something together with glue or Sellotape |
| 2 drill | b a button on a shirt |
| 3 mend | c a light bulb or a wheel |
| 4 put together (assemble) (opp. take apart) | d two things together, e.g. your shoelaces or two pieces of string |
| 5 put up | e a new wi-fi network or a home cinema system |
| 6 set up | f shelves or curtains |
| 7 sew | g a hole in a wall or in a piece of wood |
| 8 stick | h something that's broken |
| 9 tie | i flat-pack furniture |



Synonyms

Synonyms are words with a very similar meaning, e.g. you can *repair*, *mend*, or *fix* something which is broken.

b 6.18 Listen and check.