

## Collocations: verb + noun (and their opposites)

1 Complete the table with the opposite negative verbs below.

break	cause	fail	<b>forget</b>	lose	miss
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Positive verbs	Negative verbs
remember	<sup>1</sup> <u>forget</u>
pass	<sup>2</sup> _____
score	<sup>3</sup> _____
prevent	<sup>4</sup> _____
mend	<sup>5</sup> _____
find	<sup>6</sup> _____

2 Match the verbs with the nouns to make collocations.

1 <u>b</u> pass	a a penalty
2 <u>  </u> score	b an exam
3 <u>  </u> remember	c an argument
4 <u>  </u> mend	d some money
5 <u>  </u> prevent	e your phone
6 <u>  </u> find	f a friend's birthday

3 Complete the collocations in the dialogues with the verbs below.

caused	forgot	lost	mend	missed	passed
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1 'Why are you so happy?'  
 'Because I passed my exam!'

2 'Was it you who    the argument?'  
 'No! He started shouting at me.'

3 'Did you    the phone that you broke?'  
 'No, I need to get a new one.'

4 'It's the 24<sup>th</sup> of June today.'  
 'Oh no! I    Clara's birthday.'

5 'That was a great match!'  
 'Not for me. I played really badly and    a penalty.'

6 'What are you looking for?'  
 'I    some money yesterday and I thought it might be here.'

## Extra: Personal qualities

4 Are the sentences correct (C) or incorrect (I)?

1 You need strength to go to university.	C <input type="checkbox"/> I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2 You need speed to win a running race.	C <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/>
3 You need experience to learn to play a musical instrument.	C <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/>
4 You need creativity to design something new.	C <input type="checkbox"/> I <input type="checkbox"/>

5 You need fitness to pass your exams. C  I

6 You need talent to win a singing competition. C  I

7 You need patience to learn a new language. C  I

## Life events

5 Which life event is incorrect?

1 a get a job	b have married
c start a family	
2 a make a promotion	b go to university
c retire	
3 a meet your partner	b do your big break
c move to another city	
4 a get divorced	b change career
c make a serious illness	
5 a get married	b graduate
c do your debut	
6 a move a city	b get a promotion
c start a family	

6 Complete the text with the life events below.

change career get a job get a promotion  
 get my big break go to university  
 graduate from university meet my partner  
 start a family

Hi, I'm Alex, and I'm from Athens in Greece. When I'm older, I really want to <sup>1</sup> go to university to study marketing. After I <sup>2</sup>   , I'd like to <sup>3</sup>    with an online marketing company. I think it'll be easier to <sup>4</sup>    if I work online because more people will see my work. I don't think I'll <sup>5</sup>    because I love marketing and I want to work in that area forever. I'd like to <sup>6</sup>    though, because then I'd earn more money. I hope that one day I'll <sup>7</sup>    and get married. After I'm married, I'd like to move with my wife to a new country. Then we could <sup>8</sup>    because I'd like to have a lot of children. Then I would be very happy!

For me, these exercises were ...  easy  OK  difficult

## Present perfect with *ever* and *never*

### 1 Complete the sentences with *ever* or *never*.

- 1 I've never tried Mongolian food, but I'd like to one day.
- 2 Have you \_\_\_\_\_ scored a penalty? I haven't.
- 3 My mum's \_\_\_\_\_ changed career. She's always been a vet.
- 4 Has Takatoshi \_\_\_\_\_ had a serious accident?
- 5 Have your parents \_\_\_\_\_ seen the New Year celebrations in China?
- 6 They've \_\_\_\_\_ seen a *Harry Potter* film. Can you believe it?
- 7 I've \_\_\_\_\_ failed an exam at school. Have you ever failed an exam?
- 8 Have you \_\_\_\_\_ entered a talent show? I'd really like to enter a singing competition.

**2** Complete the dialogues with the present perfect form of the verbs in brackets and ever or never.

1 'Have you ever been (go) to Peru?  
'Yes, I have, but I (go) to Argentina or Chile.'

2 'I (eat) in a Thai restaurant. Have you?'  
'Yes, I have, but only in Berlin.  
I (visit) Thailand.'

3 'I (score) a penalty in a football match. Have you?'  
'No, I haven't, but I've missed one. \_\_\_\_\_ you (miss) a penalty?'

4 '\_\_\_\_\_ your dad (get) a promotion?'  
'Yes, he has. He's got a lot because he (work) for a different company!'

5 '\_\_\_\_\_ you (forget) your best friend's birthday?'  
'Yes, I have, but it doesn't matter because she (remember) mine!'

6 'I (go) to South Korea. Have you?'  
'Yes, I have, it was great. \_\_\_\_\_ you (try) Korean barbecue?  
It's delicious!'

## Present perfect and past simple

### 3 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

1 They ... on holiday to South Africa last year and saw some lions and giraffes.  
a were going    b have been    c went

2 We ... the *Star Wars* films a lot because my little brother loves them.  
a watched    b have watched    c are watching

3 Jin Yan ... the violin since she was ten and she's really good at it now.  
a has played    b will play    c played

4 My mum ... accounting at university and got her first job when she was 20.  
a has studied    b studied    c studies

5 ... an argument between two of your best friends?  
a Did you prevent  
b Did you ever prevent  
c Have you ever prevented

6 We ... to the cinema because there were no films that we wanted to watch.  
a can't go    b didn't go    c haven't been

7 ... to Alaska last year or was it the year before?  
a Did you go    b Have you been    c Are you going

**4** Put the words in the correct order to make sentences and questions.

1 parents / been / Have / New Zealand? / your / ever / to  
Have your parents ever been to New Zealand ?

2 Indian restaurant / never / an / Laurie / to / been / has

3 never / Spanish / studied / My / have / classmates

4 been / a music festival / there / Has / in / ever /  
your city

5 anyone / met / Japan / you / from / Have / ever

6 never / in / I / my town / met / a celebrity / have

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