# 2 VOCABULARY Language learning

**a** Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 I studied German at university but I'm going to Berlin next year to *pick* / *brush* / *take* it up.
2 My brother speaks four languages – he really has an *ear* / *eye* / *mouth* for them.
3 I know Japanese is hard, but you must keep *on* / *to* / *at* it if you want the job.
4 I'm French, but my son was born in Italy. From an early age he *pulled* / *picked* / *took* up lots of Italian expressions.
5 I studied in China and I *fought* / *raced* / *struggled* with writing the characters for a long time.
6 It takes time to get *accustomed* / *ready* / *along* to a new teaching style.
7 My Spanish is a little *cracked* / *broken* / *rusty*. I haven't spoken it for a while.
8 My sister can hold a *chat* / *speech* / *conversation* in several European languages.

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