

**1 Match the sentence halves.**

- 1 Their goalkeeper has been hit by \_\_\_\_\_.  
2 Workers have gone \_\_\_\_\_.  
3 The man has been found \_\_\_\_\_.  
4 Supermarkets are trying to get \_\_\_\_\_.  
5 The judge told the boy to keep \_\_\_\_\_.  
6 People have carried out several opinion \_\_\_\_\_.  
7 There are fears that Chelsea's star \_\_\_\_\_.  
8 New drugs for the treatment \_\_\_\_\_.  
  
a rid of leftover food.  
b polls about the election.  
c injury and won't play in tomorrow's final.  
d of the illness will be available next year.  
e player has been injured.  
f out of trouble or he would end up in prison.  
g on strike because of low pay.  
h guilty of theft.

**2 Match definitions 1–8 with the words in the box.**

breakthrough opinion poll profits quit scandal  
sentence strike union

- 1 a group of workers that tries to improve working conditions union
- 2 to leave a job quit
- 3 an important discovery after a lot of work has been done breakthrough
- 4 a survey of people's ideas opinion poll
- 5 a shocking event scandal
- 6 money you make when you sell something for more than you paid for it profits
- 7 a punishment from a law court sentence
- 8 a period of time when workers stop working strike



**3 Choose the correct alternatives.**

- 1 A: Do you think that the two sides will sign the agreement?  
B: Yes, I do and there's a good chance it will/it probably won't happen today.
- 2 A: Do you think this decision will help workers?  
B: Yes, absolutely. It's bound to/It probably won't help all of us.
- 3 A: Do you think this drug will slow the development of the disease?  
B: I'm not sure. It definitely won't/might slow it down a bit.
- 4 A: Do you think your party will win the election?  
B: No, they are bound to/definitely won't win.
- 5 A: Do you think this opinion poll is correct?  
B: Well, you can never be sure. But it's fairly likely that it will/it definitely won't be close to the final result.
- 6 A: Do you think the manager will sell your star player?  
B: No way! He's bound to/He definitely won't.
- 7 A: Do you think the leader will quit after the election?  
B: Maybe. He'll definitely/He might want to do something else.
- 8 A: Do you think it'll be hot today?  
B: Yes, look at that blue sky. It'll definitely/It probably won't be sunny!

**4 Read the sentences and tick the correct meaning.**

- 1 There's a good chance that the president will visit.
  - a The president will probably visit. ✓
  - b The president probably won't visit.
- 2 This scandal is bound to damage the company.
  - a This scandal will almost certainly damage the company.
  - b This scandal almost certainly won't damage the company.
- 3 I doubt the team's star player is going to score today.
  - a The team's star player is probably going to score today.
  - b The team's star player probably isn't going to score today.
- 4 There's a small chance that there will be a storm tomorrow.
  - a There will almost certainly be a storm tomorrow.
  - b There probably won't be a storm tomorrow.
- 5 It's unlikely that the unions will reach an agreement today.
  - a The unions will probably reach an agreement today.
  - b The unions probably won't reach an agreement today.
- 6 Workers will definitely go on strike tomorrow.
  - a Workers are bound to go on strike tomorrow.
  - b Workers are unlikely to go on strike tomorrow.
- 7 It's fairly likely that profits will be higher than last year.
  - a Profits will probably be higher than last year.
  - b Profits almost certainly won't be higher than last year.
- 8 I doubt the boss will quit today.
  - a The boss will almost certainly quit today.
  - b The boss almost certainly won't quit today.