

1 Match the sentence halves.

- 1 Their goalkeeper has been hit by c
- 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 _____
- 3 an important discovery after a lot of work has been done _____
- 4 a survey of people's ideas _____
- 5 a shocking event _____
- 6 money you make when you sell something for more than you paid for it _____
- 7 a punishment from a law court _____
- 8 a period of time when workers stop working _____



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 / it 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.