unit 03 Section 1

Collocations/expressions

A **The following expressions include the words day, year and time. Complete them with prepositions.**

DAY	YEAR	TIME	
_____ this day and age	all year_____	_____ a period of time	_____ sb's free time
day _____ day	year _____ year	_____ time to time	_____ no time
	_____ this time	_____ the first time	have no time _____
	of the year	_____ the right time	take time _____ work

B **Complete the sentences with the collocations / expressions in the box below.**

the other day	all day long	call it a day	at times	on time
in time	pass the time	ahead of its time	time and time again	for the time being

1 Despite technical problems, the flight left _____ .
2 We'll be getting a new printer next month. So, _____, we have to put up with this one.
3 Most engineers agreed that the car's design was _____.
4 I started a conversation with the person sitting next to me on the bus to _____ .
5 I saw Sally _____ . Did you know that she had broken her leg?
6 The match started at 7 pm and Jack arrived just _____ for the kick-off.
7 Let's _____ and go home. We've been working for over twelve hours without a break.
8 He keeps making the same mistake _____.
9 I find it very difficult to agree with you _____. Your views can sometimes be extreme.
10 I have been sleepy _____ today. I don't know what's the matter with me.

C **Read the sentences and complete them with the correct form of the verbs hold, run, catch or keep.**

1 The student was _____ **in the act** of cheating by the examiner.
2 I just need you to _____ **an eye on** Sam while I go out.
3 Jenny will certainly _____ everyone's **attention** with that dress she's wearing.
4 Blue eyes and red hair _____ **in my family**. Only my aunt has brown eyes.
5 When my grandmother was in hospital, I used to _____ **her company** in the afternoons.
6 Mary is moving to another city, but we promised to _____ **in touch with** each other.
7 _____ **a business** requires many skills and expertise.
8 You can't rely on Roger. Actually, he's the kind of person that can't _____ **a promise**.
9 The winner of the marathon had to _____ **his breath** before speaking to the journalist.
10 Please _____ **in mind** that smoking is not allowed in this building.
11 We all _____ **our breath** when the winner of the competition was being announced.
12 As I was running to _____ **the bus**, I slipped and fell.
13 Can you _____ **a secret**? Jane is organising a surprise party for Kevin's birthday!
14 The children _____ **hands** while walking down the street.

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