

### Striking Angels- B1+

1) Match the phrases with their meanings

| Phrase               | Meaning                                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1. deep in your soul | A. a small amount of optimism                 |
| 2. everything's lost | B. a possibility of something happening       |
| 3. a good chance     | C. in your deepest emotions                   |
| 4. a bit of hope     | D. feeling that there are no solutions        |
| 5. feel hopeless     | E. believe that something positive may happen |
| 6. hold on to hope   | F. believe that a situation cannot improve    |

2) Match each expression with a possible meaning

|                                 |                                               |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1. get on someone's nerves      | a. ___ to listen carefully                    |
| 2. pull someone's leg           | b. ___ to annoy someone                       |
| 3. be all ears                  | c. ___ to joke with someone                   |
| 4. get under someone's skin     | d. ___ to become the object of ridicule       |
| 5. go your own way              | e. ___ to make someone feel very emotional    |
| 6. be a laughing stock          | f. ___ to do what you want independently      |
| 7. take someone's word/blessing | g. ___ to strongly irritate or affect someone |
| 8. be overcome with emotion     | h. ___ to have someone's approval/support     |

### 3. Collocations: Choose the best option

Choose the word that naturally completes each collocation.

1. a good / strong / deep chance
2. a bit / piece / part of hope
3. deep / strong / heavy in your soul
4. feel / make / take hope
5. lose / miss / forget hope
6. give / keep / hold hope alive



4) Complete the sentences with the words/phrases you have here.

*overwhelmed – arrogant – struggle – persuade – resent – striking – blackmail – cope with – fall in love with – out of fashion – take part in – conclude*

1. Sarah was completely \_\_\_\_\_ when she started her new job because there was so much to learn.
2. He is extremely \_\_\_\_\_ and thinks he is better than everyone else.
3. Many teenagers \_\_\_\_\_ peer pressure at school.
4. I really \_\_\_\_\_ people who are always late.
5. The teacher tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the students to participate in the project.
6. That jacket is \_\_\_\_\_. Nobody wears that style anymore.
7. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the school competition.
8. The police discovered that someone was trying to \_\_\_\_\_ the businessman.
9. The colours in the painting are really \_\_\_\_\_.
10. After discussing the problem for an hour, we finally \_\_\_\_\_ that something had to change.
11. They \_\_\_\_\_ each other while travelling around Europe.
12. He is finding it difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ the pressure of his new position.

5) Choose the best option.

Choose the option that best completes each sentence.

1. Someone who is **boastful** usually...
  - a) talks about their achievements a lot.
  - b) avoids speaking to people.
  - c) feels nervous in public.
2. If someone is **clumsy**, they tend to...
  - a) be very elegant.
  - b) drop things or have accidents.
  - c) become angry easily.
3. If a situation is **intense**, it is...
  - a) very strong or extreme.
  - b) boring and predictable.
  - c) completely relaxed.
4. If someone is **sensitive**, they may...
  - a) be easily affected by other people's words or actions.
  - b) never show emotions.
  - c) always want to be alone.
5. If something is **terrifying**, it is...
  - a) extremely funny.
  - b) extremely frightening.
  - c) slightly confusing.
6. Someone who is **strident** may have...
  - a) a very loud or harsh voice.
  - b) a very quiet personality.
  - c) a very weak opinion.

