

# Words and phrases

These units also revise items from earlier units.

## 1 Come

Complete each sentence with a word from the box.

expectations	fortune	pressure	strike	useful
force	light	realize	undone	world

- 1 I'm afraid that Jim's new play didn't come up to expectations.
- 2 The building workers have voted to come out on .....
- 3 The government is coming under ..... to change the law.
- 4 When her uncle died, Susan came into a .....
- 5 The truth of the matter came to ..... during the investigation.
- 6 Oh bother! My shoelaces have come .....
- 7 Bring the torch with you. It might come in .....
- 8 Ted used to be quite wealthy, but he's come down in the .....
- 9 Recently I've come to ..... that you were right all the time.
- 10 The new traffic regulations come into ..... tomorrow.

## 2 In

Complete each sentence with a word from the box.

advance	comparison	doubt	practice	sympathy
charge	<del>detention</del>	earnest	response	way

- 1 All the pupils who misbehaved have been kept in detention.
- 2 I'm not joking. I'm speaking in .....
- 3 Your rent is, of course, payable in .....
- 4 The bus drivers are on strike, and the railway workers have come out in .....
- 5 This city makes London seem quite small in .....
- 6 It's a depressing book, but I enjoyed it in a .....
- 7 Everyone else is away, so I am in ..... of the office.
- 8 Theoretically term ends at 4.00 on Friday, but in ..... everyone leaves at lunchtime.
- 9 If in ....., do not hesitate to contact our representative.
- 10 We decided to show the film again in ..... to public demand.

### 3 Hand

Match each expression (1–10) with an explanation (a–j).

- 1 She did it single-handedly. ....a....
  - 2 You have to hand it to her. ....
  - 3 She can turn her hand to just about anything. ....
  - 4 Her behaviour was rather high-handed. ....
  - 5 She played right into their hands. ....
  - 6 She's an old hand at this kind of thing. ....
  - 7 At the end they gave her a big hand. ....
  - 8 I think her behaviour is getting out of hand. ....
  - 9 She has managed to keep her hand in. ....
  - 10 She was given a free hand. ....
- a She unsuspectingly gave them an advantage.
  - b She took advantage of her position to use her power wrongly.
  - c She was allowed to do whatever she wanted.
  - d She is becoming uncontrollable.
  - e She was applauded loudly.
  - f She has practised so as not to lose her skill.
  - g She did it on her own.
  - h She can learn any skill very easily.
  - i She has to be congratulated.
  - j She has a lot of past experience.

### 4 Wood and metal

Complete each sentence with a word from the box.

beam	plank	post	stick	twig
girder	pole	rod	trunk	wand

- 1 A small bird was carrying a .....twig..... in its beak back to its nest.
- 2 The wall was supported by a thick metal ..... .
- 3 Wasps had made a hole in the ..... of the old fruit tree.
- 4 A workman pushed the wheelbarrow along a ..... .
- 5 The magician waved the ..... and the rabbit vanished.
- 6 We have to replace an old oak ..... which supports the ceiling.
- 7 I use a long piece of bamboo as a fishing ..... .
- 8 Our neighbour crashed his car into our gate ..... .
- 9 After I left hospital I could only walk with a ..... .
- 10 We hoisted the flag to the top of the ..... .



5 Prefix *un-*

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use a form of the word underlined beginning *un-*.

- 1 I don't envy his position.  
His position is unenviable.....
- 2 Philip flew to New York without the company of his parents.  
Philip flew to New York .....
- 3 Margaret has no inhibitions at all.  
Margaret is completely .....
- 4 There is no foundation to the rumour that I have been dismissed.  
The rumour that I have been dismissed .....
- 5 I just can't bear this heat!  
For me, this heat .....
- 6 There's no doubt that Schwartz is the best skier around at the moment.  
Schwartz is .....
- 7 The sound of Jenny's voice cannot be mistaken.  
The sound of Jenny's voice .....
- 8 There is no justification for your behaviour.  
Your behaviour is quite .....
- 9 There is no precedent for such action.  
Such action .....
- 10 Ian teaches but has no teaching qualifications.  
Ian is an .....

## 6 Verbs of movement

Underline the best option in each sentence.

- 1 The drunken soldier was *marching* / *staggering* / *scrambling* crazily from one side of the street to the other.
- 2 George suddenly *dashed* / *slunk* / *rambled* into the room waving a telegram.
- 3 Sue found it very difficult to *pass* / *overtake* / *cross* the busy street.
- 4 Passengers who wish to *alight* / *leave* / *descend* at the next station should travel in the front four coaches.
- 5 The runner with the injured foot *flashed* / *limped* / *trundled* across the finishing line.
- 6 Kate spent the morning *rambling* / *strolling* / *crawling* along the sea-front.
- 7 Harry *strode* / *tiptoed* / *trudged* along the landing, trying not to make any noise.
- 8 The road was icy, and I *skidded* / *skated* / *slipped* as I was walking along.
- 9 I managed to *creep* / *slink* / *strut* up to the burglar before he noticed me.
- 10 After the meal we *lounged* / *loitered* / *lingered* over our coffees for an hour or so.