Sport and fitness

1 Health and fitness

Complete the texts with the words in the box.

check-up	moderation	six-pack
complaint	processed	symptoms
dominates	scratch	vice
fanatic	shape	
hypochondriac	sit-ups	

١.	I'd describe myself as a pretty healthy kind of person.
	I try and steer clear offood as much
	as I can. I try and use fresh ingredients wherever
	possible and cook all my meals from
	I do drink, but only in and my only real is chocolate.
2.	I think she's a bit of a She always
	thinks she's got the of some terrible
	disease and she's always going on about some
	imaginary or other. She must drive the
	doctor mad as she's in there for a
	every other day!
3.	He's a bit of a fitness
	with having a, so he does about 300
	a day! Don't get me wrong – he's in
	incredible, but staying that way just
	his whole life!

2 Staying in shape

Match the verbs with the words they collocate with.

I.	work out	a.	a healthy diet
2.	cut down on	b.	active
3.	keep	c.	what I eat
4.	take	d.	of junk food
5.	stick to	e.	50 lengths
6.	eat	f.	rowing
7.	snack	g.	vitamins and supplements
8.	steer clear	h.	the amount I eat
9.	watch	i.	on fruit and nuts 🗻
0.	swim	j.	lots of greens
١.	get	k.	at the gym four times a week
2.	90	I.	plenty of sleep

3 Talking about how people are

Complete each conversation with one of the groups in the box, putting the words in the correct order.

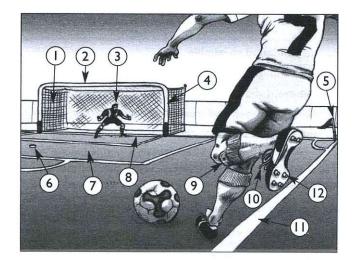
agony + pulled + crutches burn + knackered + dog	over + down + chucked stiff + cramps + overdo
chest + round + down	tore + recover + operated
death + overdid + rough	wrapped + love + under

ı.	A:	We must've been playing for about three hours
		and I got by the end. Honestly, I'm
		sothis morning, I can hardly walk.
	B:	You should be careful not toit.
2.	A:	I a hamstring when I was running
		and had to hobble two miles to get home.
	B:	That must've been How long will
		you have to be on?
3.	A:	I my cruciate ligament while I was
		away skiing in France and they on me out there.
	B:	God, that's dreadful. So how long do they reckon
		it'll take you to?
4.	A:	I'ml've been working like a
		recently.
	B:	You need to be careful. It must be very easy to
		out in a pressurised job like yours.
5.	A:	I'm feeling reallyit
		a bit last night.
	B:	You do look a bit likewarmed up!
6.	A:	She's feeling a bit the weather. I left
		herup in bed.
	B:	Oh dear. Well, send her my I hope
		she gets better soon.
7.	A:	He's a bitin the dumps. His
		girlfriendhim last week.
	B:	What a shame. Still I'm sure he'll get
		it soon enough. Plenty more fish in
	0.00	the sea!
8.	A:	I think I'm coming with something.
	21	I can feel it in myand throat.
	B:	I think there's some fluey virus going

4 Football

Label the picture with the words in the box.

bar	laces	post	
corner flag	net	shin pad	
goal-line	penalty area	studs	
keeper	penalty spot	touchline	



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5 Talking about football

Complete the sentences with eight of the words from Exercise 4.

- It was a nasty foul. He went into the tackle with his
 up.
- We should've won, but their made a couple of incredible saves.
- 3. Mywere undone and I tripped over them just as I was about to shoot!
- 4. It's a free kick, because the keeper handled the ball outside the
- 6. They had a penalty, but they put it wide of the
- 8. Their manager was on the, screaming the whole time!

6 Adjectives

Match the adjectives with the nouns they go with.

civic	malign	salutary
cutthroat	mind-numbing	universal
foul	pathetic	unprecedented

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- 2. business / market / razor
- 3. delight / outrage / agreement
- 4. language / mood / smell
- 5. effect / work / boredom
- 6.lessons in life / warning / experience
- 7.influence / motives / effect
- 8.duty / pride / leaders
- 9. move / step / levels / growth

Language note

A malign influence is one that causes harm. If someone has been unfairly criticised, you can say they are much maligned.

7 Sports idioms

Complete the idioms with the words in the box.

court	game	sailed	shot	towel
fish	horse	sea	sights	

- I'll give it my best, and if it doesn't work out, then I guess it wasn't meant to be.
- I just about scraped through the exam, but my brother through with flying colours!

- 6. The government needs to be very careful. Backing the wrongin a situation like this is a gamble that could well be paid for in blood!
- 7. When I found out they'd broken the contract behind our backs, I thought, 'Two can play that!'
- 8. I know she dumped you and it hurts, but there's plenty more in the in