

EDUCATION

Using the entry for the word in **bold** to help you, cross out any of the words in *italics* that do not form common collocations.

- a He got *full/maximum/top* **marks** in the listening test. (*esp. BrE*)
- b I got a *failing/passing/winning* **grade** in math. (*AmE*)
- c We have to *do/make/write* a vocabulary **test** every Friday.
- d How many students have *joined/signed up for/undertaken* the **course**?
- e She was always *losing/missing out/skipping* **classes** – no wonder she *crashed/failed/flunked* the **exam**.
- f He suffers badly from **exam nerves/stress/worries**.
- g The teacher *made up/set/wrote* a difficult **exam** but *checked/graded/marked* it leniently.
- h We were supposed to *do/compose/write* the **essay** by Friday but I *delivered it/handed it in* turned it in late.
- i I *attended/visited/went to* a **lecture** on Japanese cinema.
- j He went to Oxford where he *did/made/took* a **degree in/of/on** chemistry.

DRIVING

In each case, only one or two of the words in *italics* form(s) a common collocation with the word in **bold**. Use the dictionary (looking up the bold word) to decide which combinations are possible.

- a We drove down a narrow *curving/windy/winding* **road** and got stuck behind a **truck** carrying/dragging/hauling timber.
- b I *finished/ran out of/used up* the **petrol** (*BrE*)/**gas** (*AmE*) and had to *hitch/hitch-hike/thumb a lift* (*BrE*)/**ride** (*AmE*) to the nearest garage.
- c There's always *busy/heavy/strong* **traffic** on the highway, so I usually take the *back/minor/small* **roads**.
- d The **car** *pulled down/pulled over/pulled up* by the side of the road where there was a free **parking** room/place/slot.
- e I realized it was a *one-direction/one-way/single-way* **street**, so I had to *carry out/do/make* a **U-turn**.
- f She *began/started/switched* on the **engine** to warm up the car and then started *rubbing/scraping/scratching* the ice off the **windscreen** (*BrE*)/**windshield** (*AmE*).
- g The demonstration *brought/reduced/slowed* traffic to a **standstill**, and some drivers began to *beep/bonk/honk* their **horns** in frustration.
- h The **car** in front *cut down/slowed down/sped down* in order to let a police **car** *overtake/pass/take over*.
- i I called a breakdown company to *haul/pull away/tow away* my **car** as I had two *dead/empty/flat* **tyres/tires**.
- j A **car** suddenly *pulled out/started out/ran out* in front of me and I had to *hit/slam on/tread on* the **brakes**.