

6.3 Vocabulary development

Vocabulary development high-frequency verb collocations

- Complete the sentences with 1–2 words.
 - OK, you've made your point. I understand what you're trying to say.
 - I'll just take a quick _____ at the document, and then I can give you my opinion.
 - If you don't feel well, stay at home. We don't want everyone in the office getting _____.
 - All that noise has given me _____. I need to lie down in a dark room.
 - My boss has been putting a lot of _____ me to stay. He really doesn't want me to leave.
 - Isn't it nice to get the whole family _____? I think almost everyone is here.
 - Don't stand on the chair, Thomas! You're setting a _____. Your little brother might try and copy you.
 - He gave me such a _____. I hadn't heard him come in, and then he suddenly appeared.
- Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using the word in bold.
 - The prisoner was released. **set**
The prisoner was set free.
 - She wouldn't allow me to stay out late. **give**
She wouldn't _____ to stay out late.
 - He blamed me for the accident. **put**
He _____ for the accident.
 - He is always making jokes about his little sister. **take**
He doesn't _____ his sister _____.
 - What you wear can really change how you feel. **make**
What you wear can really _____ to how you feel.
 - They started arguing almost immediately. **got**
They _____ almost immediately.
 - Have you decided when you are getting married yet? **set**
Have you _____ for the wedding yet?
 - You should take advantage of the nice weather and get outside more. **make**
You should _____ of the nice weather and get outside more.

Vocabulary extension

- Make ten expressions by matching a word in box A to a word or phrase in box B. The verbs in box A can be used more than once.

A	do get give have make put set take
B	an effort no notice room someone a call someone a favour someone a lift something in common something into practice yourself a goal upset
- Complete the sentences with the correct form of the expressions in exercise 3.
 - When she heard the news, she got upset and started crying.
 - We found we had _____ - we both grew up in the same small town.
 - My car has broken down. Can you _____?
 - Let's talk later. Let me have your number and I'll _____ this evening.
 - You really need to _____. If you don't try harder, you won't succeed.
 - Can you _____ so I can sit down too, please?
 - I've _____ of being able to run five kilometres by the summer. I think I'll be able to manage it by then.
 - _____ of what he said, he didn't mean it.
 - Can you _____ and lend me £10? I've left my purse at home.
 - It sounds like a good idea. We'll have to see if it works when you _____.