

# 1f – Make a collocation

Start by reading through the sentences below. Then take one word from the box on the left and combine this with one from the box on the right to make a collocation. For example, *valid* can be joined with *reason*. (Note that more than one pairing may be possible and also that some words appear more than once.) Then try to match your combinations with the spaces in the sentences below:

new	●	analyse	●	leading
ultimate	●	valid	●	marital
establish	●	new	●	initial
reverse	●	tense	●	constant
minimum	●	put forward		

status	●	responsibility	●	role
concept	●	the hypothesis		
results	●	dimension		
temperature	●	reason		
a link	●	atmosphere	●	results
the verdict	●	requirement		

- If you submit work late, you will lose marks and may even be given a fail grade, unless you have a \_\_\_\_\_ such as illness.
- One travel company is now advertising a completely \_\_\_\_\_ in tourism: flights into outer space by rocket.
- At the bottom of the ocean, the water remains at a \_\_\_\_\_ irrespective of changing weather conditions at the surface.
- The growth of China will add a \_\_\_\_\_ to the economic and political situation in the Far East.
- Students are expected not just to describe what they have done but also to \_\_\_\_\_ when they write a research report.
- Investigators have been able to \_\_\_\_\_ between childhood illnesses and industrial pollution.
- Following the demonstrations by thousands of students, there was a very \_\_\_\_\_ in the capital, with many choosing to leave the city and head for the countryside.
- Unfortunately, although the \_\_\_\_\_ were very promising, the project failed in the long run because of a lack of interest.
- Engineers have played a \_\_\_\_\_ in improving our health by giving us clean water supplies, perhaps more so than doctors.
- The Managing Director may run the company, but \_\_\_\_\_ rests with the Board of Directors.
- On the form, please give your name, nationality, address and indicate your \_\_\_\_\_.
- When some scientists originally \_\_\_\_\_ known as global warming, the idea was not taken seriously, and yet today it is accepted by nearly everyone.
- In some instances, a Court of Appeal may \_\_\_\_\_ reached at the first trial and release somebody who has been wrongly held in prison.
- Most universities require international students to have an IELTS score of at least 6 as a \_\_\_\_\_ for English language competence.

## 2f – Make a collocation

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endangered	●	sequence of
separate	●	devote
transmit	●	assert
precise	●	reacted
natural	●	economically
		highly
		inhibit
		verbal

events	●	sophisticated	●	angrily
signals	●	species	●	feasible
details	●	agreement	●	the right
entities	●	phenomena		
growth	●	time and money		

- In spite of advances in technology, we are still at risk from \_\_\_\_\_ such as earthquakes and floods.
- One threat facing companies today is \_\_\_\_\_ computer 'hackers' who break into the most advanced computer systems.
- The accident was the result of a tragic \_\_\_\_\_ which could have been prevented with better safety procedures.
- The company \_\_\_\_\_ to the suggestion that its products were unsafe.
- There is considerable doubt over whether the proposal by the American government for a manned trip to Mars is technically and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Tigers (and other large cats) are now an \_\_\_\_\_ and may disappear altogether in the future.
- After the Second World War, African nations started to \_\_\_\_\_ to become independent.
- In law, a \_\_\_\_\_ even though it is not written down like a formal contract, is still a contract.
- While she refused to give any \_\_\_\_\_, the Minister admitted that several people had been arrested.
- In order to produce new medicines, drug companies have to \_\_\_\_\_ on a huge scale to their research and development activities.
- Most economists believe that high taxes \_\_\_\_\_ in the economy.
- In spite of its age, the satellite is still continuing to \_\_\_\_\_ to Earth.
- Are the mind and body the same thing or are they two \_\_\_\_\_?

## Practice

This section also includes time phrases used in expressing future time.

### 1 Put each verb in brackets into a suitable verb form.

- In twenty-four hours' time ...*I'll be relaxing*..... (I/relax) on my yacht.
- 'There's someone at the door.' 'That ..... (be) the postman.'
- By the time you get back Harry ..... (leave).
- It's only a short trip. I ..... (be) back in an hour.
- What ..... (you/do) this Saturday evening? Would you like to go out?
- By the end of the week we ..... (decide) what to do.
- It ..... (not/be) long before Doctor Smith is here.
- We'll go to the park when you ..... (finish) your tea.
- It's very hot in here. I think I ..... (faint).
- What ..... (you/give) Ann for her birthday? Have you decided yet?

### 2 In most lines of this text there is an extra word. Write the extra word, or put a tick if the line is correct.

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| In August Gordon will then have been at his company for 25 years,        | 1 ... <i>then</i> ..... |
| and he's getting for a bonus of three weeks paid holiday. So we've       | 2 .....                 |
| decided to hire a car and drive around Eastern Europe. We'll be          | 3 .....                 |
| leaving towards the end of August, and our aim there is to visit as      | 4 .....                 |
| many countries as we can. We're flying out to Budapest – soon we're      | 5 .....                 |
| due to catch a plane on the 28th day – and then we'll be stopping over   | 6 .....                 |
| at a friend's house, before starting our grand tour. We'll most probably | 7 .....                 |
| spend the best part of a week in Hungary. When we've just finished       | 8 .....                 |
| there, we'll probably be go to Romania, but beyond that we haven't       | 9 .....                 |
| planned too much arrangements. We will know a bit more by the end        | 10 .....                |
| of this week, when we're getting a whole load of brochures from the      | 11 .....                |
| tourist board. We'd like to get to as far as Russia, but realistically I | 12 .....                |
| doubt whether we'll have time. I hope it won't be too expensive –        | 13 .....                |
| from till now on we'll really have to tighten our belts! I can't wait!   | 14 .....                |
| In just over two months' of time we'll be having the time of our lives!  | 15 .....                |

3 Choose the most appropriate continuation for each sentence.



- a) According to the latest forecast, the tunnel .....<sup>A</sup>  
 A will be finished next year. B will have been finished next year.  
 C is finishing next year.
- b) Paula's flight is bound to be late although .....  
 A it arrives at 6.00. B it's due at 6.00. C it's arriving at six.
- c) It's no use phoning Bob at the office, he .....  
 A will be leaving. B is leaving. C will have left.
- d) Everyone says that this year City .....  
 A are going to win the Cup. B are winning the Cup. C win the Cup.
- e) I don't feel like visiting my relatives this year so .....  
 A I won't go. B I'm not going. C I don't go.
- f) You can borrow this calculator, I .....  
 A am not going to need it. B won't have been needing it.  
 C am not needing it.
- g) I'm sorry dinner isn't ready yet, but it .....  
 A is going to be ready in a minute. B will have been ready in a minute.  
 C will be ready in a minute.
- h) Can you send me the results as soon as you .....  
 A hear anything? B are hearing anything? C will have heard anything?
- i) You can try asking Martin for help but .....  
 A it won't do you any good. B it's not doing you any good.  
 C it won't be doing you any good.
- j) Don't worry about the mistake you made, nobody .....  
 A is noticing. B will notice. C will be noticing.