

1 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

attached to come between us don't see eye to eye
family ties family unit missed out on
on good terms on speaking terms
rub me up the wrong way

- Although Jack lives far away from his parents, the family ties are still strong and he visits them several times a year.
- I just don't like him, he always manages to and we end up arguing.
- I'll talk to him, I'm with him, so I think he'll listen to me.
- We are a very small, it's just my parents, my brother and me.
- For the last three years I've worked over the summer, so I've the family holiday.
- When John was young he was very Bingo, the family dog, and they used to go everywhere together.
- Bill and I always used to hang out together, but his girlfriend has, so now we don't see each other.
- Why are you and Tina not with each other anymore? What happened?
- I just with each other on this topic, I don't agree with you.

2 Match the sentence beginnings (1–10) and endings (A–J).

- We need to get on A.
 - I was in such a hurry that I ran halfway down
 - I don't understand why Mike and Jane broke
 - In the interview Tom came
 - Most people say that you can always count
 - Jacob is finding it very hard to get
 - Mike was caught stealing last week but he was let
 - I hate buying things when I'm abroad because the banks rip you
 - My mother is forever getting
 - I have an idea for the school project, can I run it
- A the train and find our seats, then we can chat.
B off with a warning. How did he get away with it?
C on your family for support if you have any problems.
D the road before I realized I had forgotten my purse.
E by you after school tomorrow?
F off by charging high fees and exchange rates.
G over his break-up with Jodie, he's still sad.
H at me to study harder because she thinks I'm lazy.
I off their engagement, I thought they were the perfect couple.
J over as a confident person but he's actually shy.

3 Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets and prepositions.

- I get on well with my two brothers, even though we often argue. (get / well)
- The lighting in here is too bright, I don't know how you it. (put)
- We had a ten-year school reunion last weekend and it was great to everyone. (catch)
- They offered me two days holiday to all the overtime I've done. (make)
- It's important to bullies otherwise they will continue to behave badly. (stand)
- I've always my big brother because he's a hard worker and a good person.
- This is very serious, I don't think you can it this time. (get)
- They always us because they think their school is better than ours. (look)

5 Complete the conversation with the words and phrases in the box. There are three extra phrases.

came over catch up with ~~close-knit~~ coming over
count on family unit get away with
get on well with looks up to looks down on
put up with see eye to eye on siblings

Helena: So, what are Juan's family like?

Rose: Well, they're a very ¹ close-knit group. He has two brothers who he really ² His parents both have five ³, so there are lots of aunts, uncles and cousins and they all ⁴ each other.

Helena: OK, so it's a big ⁵!

Rose: Yes. I think that's why he's able to ⁶ my family, he's used to having lots of people around.

Helena: That's good. What are his parents like?

Rose: Well, they ⁷ as very friendly. I'm not sure that we ⁸ everything, but I know we can ⁹ their help if we need it. They're ¹⁰ for dinner next weekend so you'll meet them then.

Helena: Great! I'm looking forward to it.

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- 4 J
- 5 C
- 6 G
- 7 B
- 8 F
- 9 H
- 10 E

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- 4 make up for
- 5 stand up to
- 6 looked up to
- 7 get away with
- 8 look down on

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- 3 siblings
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- 5 family unit
- 6 put up with
- 7 came over
- 8 see eye to eye on
- 9 count on
- 10 coming over