



Let's review some words from the previous lesson.

Ex . 1 Complete each sentence with a word from the box.

alike children couple elder engaged friendship housewife husband
single twin

- Jane got married to her _____, Bob, four years ago.
- Jane's friends think that she and Bob are the perfect _____.
- They haven't got any _____ yet, but they want a large family.
- Jane's _____ sister, Mary, was born half an hour before she was.
- Jane and Mary look _____ but are not exactly the same.
- Mary isn't married. She says she prefers to be _____.
- She says she believes in _____ but doesn't believe in marriage.
- Diana is Jane and Mary's _____ sister. She calls them her 'little sisters'.
- Diana has been _____ for three years, but hasn't got married yet.
- She has a career and doesn't like the idea of being a _____.

Types of relationships

Here is a scale showing closeness and distance in relationships in different contexts.

	CLOSER	←	→	MORE DISTANT
<i>friendship:</i>	best friend		friend	acquaintance
<i>work:</i>	close colleague		colleague/workmate	
<i>love/romance:</i>	lover			ex-*
<i>marriage:</i>	steady boy/girlfriend			ex-*
	wife/husband/partner			

* ex- can be used with or without (informally) another word: She's my ex. (girlfriend, etc.)

Mate is a colloquial word for a good friend. It can also be used in compounds to describe a person you share something with, **e.g. classmate, shipmate, workmate, flatmate.**

Workmate is usual in non-professional contexts; **colleague** is more common among professional people.

Fiance/ee can still be used for someone you are engaged to, but a lot of people feel it is dated nowadays. You will sometimes see **husband-/wife-to-be** in journalistic style.

English has no universally accepted word for 'person I live with but am not married to', but **partner** is the most common.

Ex. 2 Use words with the suffix -mate to resay or rewrite these sentences. **(He TECT)!**

- 1 This is Jack. He and I share a flat.
- 2 My granddad still writes to his old friends he was at sea with.
- 3 We were in the same class together in 1978, weren't we?
- 4 She's not really a friend, she's just someone I work with.

Ex. 3 Complete each sentence with a noun formed from a verb in the box.

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- a) All Sue's friends and _____ came to her party.
- b) I occasionally meet Terry, but he's more an _____ than a friend.
- c) When Paul arrived, he received a warm and friendly _____.
- d) Six months after their _____ Michael and Lisa got married.
- e) There was a great _____ in the village when their team won the cup.
- f) In an ideal _____ husband and wife share each other's problems.
- g) Dina and her mother look alike. There is a strong _____ between them.
- h) Tim cried when he heard about the _____ of his old dog

Phrases and idioms for relationships

Jo and I **get on well with** each other. [have a good relationship]

Adrian and Liz **don't see eye to eye**. [often argue/disagree]

I've **fallen out** with my parents again. [had arguments]

Tony and Jane have **broken up / split up**. [ended their relationship]

George is having **an affair** with his boss. [a sexual relationship, usually secret]

Children should respect their **elders**. [adults/parents, etc.]

Let's try and **make it up**. [be friends again after a row] -

She's my **junior** I I'm her **senior** I I'm **senior** to her, so she does what she's told. [refers to position/length of service at work]

Ex.4 The person who typed this book has got some of the phrases and idioms opposite mixed up with one another. Correct them. **(He TECT)!**

- 1 Jo and Phil don't get on eye to eye with each other.
- 2 I fell up with my parents last night. It wasn't my fault.
- 3 We had a quarrel but now we've made it well.
- 4 Do you think Jim and Nora are making an affair? I do.
- 5 I see very well with all my colleagues at work.
- 6 She should learn to respect her olders.
- 7 Jo's attractive, but her mate just turns me up completely.

Ex.5 Complete each sentence with a word or phrase from the box. Use each word or phrase once only.

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- a) It would be nice to meet again. I'll get _____ touch with you next week.

- b) I'm afraid Sonia isn't here. She went _____ for the weekend.
- c) I keep leaving and coming back. I've lived here _____ for several years.
- d) Matthew brought up the children _____ his own after his wife died.
- e) The baby was called Clare, _____ its grandmother.
- f) Peter is _____ at the moment but he'll be back in half an hour.
- g) Ann decided to get married _____ the wishes of her parents.
- h) After their final quarrel, Carrie told Luke their relationship was _____.

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