

advise (v)
apologize (v)
command (n/v)
demand (v)
emphasis (n)

emphasize (v)
hesitate (v)
inform (v)
interpret (v)
interrupt (v)

praise (n/v)
proposal (n)
summarize (v)
summary (n)
swear (v)

A Match the definitions (1–10) to the words (a–j).

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| 1 To say something that makes someone stop what they are saying: | a advise |
| 2 Special importance or attention to something: | b command |
| 3 To explain or understand the meaning of something: | c emphasis |
| 4 A short description of the main points of something: | d hesitate |
| 5 A plan that is formally suggested: | e interpret |
| 6 To express admiration for someone or something: | f interrupt |
| 7 To use rude or bad language: | g praise |
| 8 To pause before you say something: | h proposal |
| 9 An order: | i summary |
| 10 To tell someone what you think they should do: | j swear |

B Match the first part of the sentences (1–9) to the second part (a–i).

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| 1 The council's proposal | a at her mother, and was punished for it. |
| 2 My sister apologized | b to know where I was going. |
| 3 She asked me to summarize | c for my parents when my Spanish friend was visiting. |
| 4 The head informed us | d of the main stories at the end of the programme. |
| 5 My father demanded | e for shouting at me. |
| 6 I tried to interpret | f the importance of handing in coursework on time. |
| 7 The newsreader gave a summary | g that our school was going to change its name. |
| 8 Freya swore | h to build a new shopping centre was rejected. |
| 9 The teacher emphasized | i the story so far before we watched the next episode. |

C Complete the second sentence in each pair with the past simple form of the correct verb.

- 'If I were you, I'd go by train.'
He _____ me to go by train.
- 'Um ... er ... um ... yes ... I'd love to.'
She _____ before answering my question.
- 'Defend your positions!'
The sergeant _____ his troops to defend their positions.
- 'We talked about the venue, the date and the food.'
He _____ the main points of the meeting.
- 'Your exam results are excellent! You deserve them.'
The teacher _____ me for my exam results.
- 'Um, before you go on, I'd like to make a point.'
He _____ her to make a point.
- 'I want to see the manager – immediately!'
She _____ to see the manager.
- 'We regret to announce that Flight MG717 has been cancelled.'
The airline _____ passengers that their flight had been cancelled.
- 'I'm sorry for missing your birthday.'
He _____ for forgetting my birthday.
- 'It's very important – crucial, in fact – to include fresh fruit and vegetables in your diet.'
She _____ the importance of including fresh fruit and vegetables in our diet.