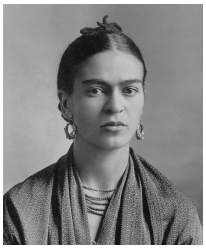
B2 First Reading and Use of English Part 1 - Adverb + adjective collocations

A. Talk about Frida Kahlo.



1. What can a self-portrait tell you about the artist?

2. Would you use a painting or a photo to show your personality?

3. Why might someone keep making art during a difficult time?

B. Complete the sentences by matching the collocation halves. Use A–L once.

1. ____ The X-rays showed both crash victims were seriously …	A. qualified for the teaching post.
2. ____ Lifting those heavy boxes was physically …	B. personal thoughts about her family.
3. ____ Her locked diary contained deeply …	C. damaged, with a hole in the box.
4. ____ Even without its name, the logo was instantly …	D. separate from one another.
5. ____ Using a ruler, she drew a perfectly …	E. injured and needed urgent treatment.
6. ____ The dividing wall keeps the two gardens completely …	F. booked until Monday.
7. ____ Without rain, local farms are heavily …	G. recognisable to customers.
8. ____ Apart from one tiny difference, these keys are almost …	H. disappointed with second place.
9. ____ Three university degrees make her highly …	I. dependent on water from the river.
10. ____ No rooms are left: the hotel is fully …	J. demanding work.
11. ____ The parcel arrived late and badly …	K. identical in shape and size.
12. ____ He had expected to win, so he was bitterly …	L. straight line across the page.

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C. Read the text and choose A, B, C or D for each gap. See example 0.

Frida Kahlo's mirror

Frida Kahlo was still a teenager when a bus accident changed the (0) …… of her life. She was seriously (1) …… and had to spend long periods in bed. During her recovery she began to paint. A mirror above her bed meant she could look at her own face without having to sit up. Even when moving around was physically (2) ……, she had a subject within sight.

Kahlo's self-portraits are often deeply (3) ……. She was painfully (4) …… of what her injuries had cost her, and her paintings sometimes show how she felt about her body. There is more to the pictures, though. Clothes, plants and animals can carry meaning of their own.

The artist is closely (5) …… with the Blue House in Mexico City, her former home. The house is now open to the public, with the bed and mirror on display. Kahlo's face has become instantly (6) …… around the world. Reproductions of her work are widely (7) ……, but the mirror offers a particularly (8) …… reminder of how she began.

0	A speed	B pressure	C period	Ⓓ course
1	A injured	B broken	C damaged	D cracked
2	A insistent	B demanding	C urgent	D pressing
3	A public	B separate	C personal	D particular
4	A aware	B awake	C alert	D attentive
5	A joined	B attached	C fastened	D associated
6	A noticeable	B recognisable	C observable	D detectable
7	A ready	B spare	C available	D loose
8	A bright	B shining	C vivid	D colourful

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Answer Key

A. Answers will vary.

B. 1 E 2 J 3 B 4 G 5 L 6 D 7 I 8 K 9 A 10 F 11 C 12 H

C. 1 A 2 B 3 C 4 A 5 D 6 B 7 C 8 C

Glossary

almost identical: The same in nearly every detail.

badly damaged: Seriously harmed or broken.

bitterly disappointed: Extremely unhappy because something was not as good as you hoped.

change the course of your life: Make your life develop in a different direction.

closely associated: Strongly connected with a person, place, idea or thing.

completely separate: Not joined or connected in any way.

deeply personal: Closely connected to your private feelings or experiences.

fully booked: Having no rooms, seats or appointments left available.

heavily dependent: Needing someone or something very much in order to manage.

highly qualified: Having advanced qualifications or a high level of training.

instantly recognisable: Easy to identify as soon as you see or hear it.

painfully aware: Knowing something that makes you feel upset or worried.

particularly vivid: Especially clear and powerful in the image it creates in your mind.

perfectly straight: Without any bend or curve.

physically demanding: Requiring a lot of effort from your body.

seriously injured: Badly hurt, usually needing medical treatment.

widely available: Easy to find or obtain in many places.

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