

1 Complete the sentences.

- I understood the talk because there wasn't too much medical *terminology*.....
- We can't give up now. I know it's a c....., but 'the show must go on'.
- Do you remember what the i..... 'feel under the weather' means.
- Teenage s..... is different in different parts of the country.
- I think 'Just do it.' is the best advertising s..... ever.
- When you give your talk speak clearly and try to avoid using j.....

2 Circle the correct answer: a, b or c.

- He spoke so fast that I couldn't understand a
a word b sense c gist
- Did you manage to the drift of what she said?
a pick b find c catch
- What did he say her name was? I'm afraid I it.
a lost b caught c missed
- I can out a few words in Chinese, but that's all.
a get b pick c find
- My headphones weren't working properly so I couldn't out much.
a make b hear c go
- Don't worry about understanding everything – just try to get the
a end b gist c talk
- I'm afraid you me there. Could you explain the last bit again?
a lost b missed c caught

3 Complete the text with one word in each gap. Sometimes there is more than one possibility.

We watched a film called *Gregory's Girl* in class today. It's about some teenagers from Glasgow. and our teacher warned us that we might not ¹ *understand* everything. Usually, when we watch a film I manage to catch the ² of what they're saying, even if I ³ some things. But when this film started I couldn't understand a ⁴ The Glaswegian accent was amazing! When I got used to it I managed to ⁵ out a few words but most of it was still totally ⁶, which was a pity because the film seemed quite funny.

4 Match the words in the box that have the same vowel sound.

go off puff cough
show tough true you

- scoff*,,
- though, *go*,
- through,,
- enough,,

(* scoff means to eat a lot very quickly)