

## EXERCISE 1

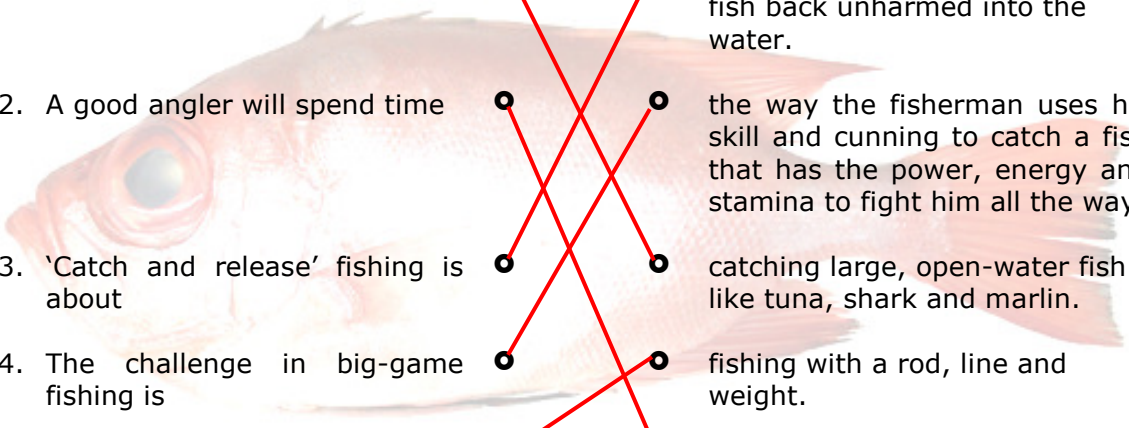
Choose the correct answers.



1. The expression "gone fishing" in the article means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) gone missing
  - b) to have gone to catch fish
  - c) to temporarily take a break from a bad day
2. "Recreational fishing" means to fish for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) fun
  - b) profit
  - c) survival
3. The expression "to swallow something hook, line and sinker" is an example of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) a simile
  - b) an idiom
  - c) an alliteration
4. "To swallow something hook, line and sinker" means to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) choke on something
  - b) believe every word said
  - c) get caught by a fishing rod
5. When you go "game fishing", you can catch \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) catfish, eel and pufferfish
  - b) goldfish, guppies and angelfish
  - c) tuna, salmon and marlin
6. Another word for an "angler" is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) fish
  - b) fisherman
  - c) fishing boat

EXERCISE 2

Complete each sentence with the correct ending.



1. 'Big-game fishing' is about	○	○	catching fish and putting the fish back unharmed into the water.
2. A good angler will spend time	○	○	the way the fisherman uses his skill and cunning to catch a fish that has the power, energy and stamina to fight him all the way.
3. 'Catch and release' fishing is about	○	○	catching large, open-water fish like tuna, shark and marlin.
4. The challenge in big-game fishing is	○	○	fishing with a rod, line and weight.
5. Angling is	○	○	researching a stretch of water and the habits of the fish that live in it.

GROUP ACTIVITY

There are various **fishing techniques** or methods for catching fish. Briefly discuss each of the techniques and label the pictures: hand gathering, spearfishing, netting, angling and trapping.



Trapping

A fish trap can be in the form of a basket which tapers inwards. Once inside, the fish cannot get out. In medieval times, a 'fishing weir' or V-shaped posts or fences placed in rivers to direct fish into an area was common. Smaller fish were released.



Hand Gathering

This method is common for gathering oysters, clams, crabs, lobsters, abalones, scallops, cockles, sea cucumbers and sea urchins.



Angling

This method involves fishing with a rod, line and an 'angle' or hook. Lures or baits (either artificial or real e.g. worms) can be attached to a hook to attract fish.



Netting

Fishing nets are meshes formed by knotting thin thread such as nylon, silk or wool. Hand nets come with a long stiff handle at the end.



Spearfishing

Early civilisations spearfished using sharpened sticks in rivers and streams. Today, elastic or powered spearguns are used to catch fish. Spearfishing may be done while free-diving, snorkelling or scuba diving.

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