Chapter 9

Target Vocabulary (Underlining indicates a word or word form from the Academic Word List)

advise v.: to tell someone what you think they should do

belong v.: 1. to be owned by someone. 2. to be a member of a group

cope (with ~) v.: to deal with something successfully; to endure or accept a situation

develop v.: to actively make a plan by thinking and talking about it so that it becomes more clear and complete

focused v.: to concentrate attention or effort on one thing or to see it clearly

originally adv.: in the beginning; at first

prematurely adv.: happening earlier than usual or earlier than expected

psychologist n.: a person who studies the human mind and human behavior

rarely adv.: not very often

Activity 1: Definitions

Look at the way the underlined words are used in each sentence. Match each word with the correct definition.

1. My doctor advised me to stop smoking and lose twenty pounds.

2. Do these books belong to you?

3. She’s coping, but raising five children on her own is hard.

4. He was so focused on his work that he didn’t stop for lunch.

5. If you’re still that angry at your mother, maybe you should talk to a psychologist about it.
Activity 2: Definitions

Complete each sentence with one of the words or phrases below. Change the word form by adding –s, -ed, or –ing if necessary.

1. This building was __________ a school, but now it’s an office building.
2. You’ve only known him for three months. Don’t you think it’s __________ to talk about marriage?
3. He __________ has time to watch TV. He’s too busy with school and work.
4. If you really __________ your eyes, you can read the fine print.
5. The company is __________ a small car that will get 100 miles to the gallon.

Activity 3: Word Families

Use the words given below to fill in the word family chart. The first one has been done for you.
Activity 4: Word Forms

Complete each sentence with the correct word.
1. I’ve __________ to the tennis club for the past three years.
   belong  belonged  belonging  belongs

2. The study __________ on the way the plants responded to different types of light.
   focus  focused  focusing  focuses

3. I’m __________ from New York, but I’ve lived in Washington, DC, for the past ten years.
   original  originally  originality  origin

4. The baby was born six weeks __________.
   premature  prematurely  matured  maturity

5. They weren’t __________ ready to be parents.
   psychologist  psychology  psychological  psychologically