

## Topic vocabulary: the block

### Activating prior knowledge

- 1 [A2-B1] Work in pairs. Write the words you already know in Box A, look up the others in a dictionary and write them in Box B.

square • width • length • clap • twice • row • touch  
• ground • side • angle • hip • lead • plant • midway • crucial • crossover • approach •  
closely • adjust • mirror • trail • slightly • drift • calf • bounce • grab • inside •  
widespread • shoot • shrug • forearm • according to • round

Box A (the words I already know)

Box B (the new words)

**2** [A2-B1] Write the words in 1 in the box below, sorting them into:

NOUNS	ADJECTIVES	VERBS	ADVERBS	PREPOSITIONS/ CONJUNCTIONS

NB. Some words will fit into more than one column, with same or different meaning.

## Try your hand at: the block

### Scaffolding

**3** In the classroom work in pairs: insert the words in the following sentences.

#### Exercise

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ – to be used if the hitter is 1 to 1.5 mt from you.
- 2 Keep your wrists \_\_\_\_\_ to counter a hard spike.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ – to be used if there is more ground to cover.
- 4 Jump the moment the hitter makes \_\_\_\_\_ with the ball.
- 5 Keep your \_\_\_\_\_ on the setter.
- 6 Position yourself directly in front of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Always jump with both feet to avoid \_\_\_\_\_ while in the air.
- 8 Reach your arms as far \_\_\_\_\_ onto the opponents' side as possible.
- 9 Follow the \_\_\_\_\_ after set to decide best strategy for your block.
- 10 Elevate slightly \_\_\_\_\_ your opponent does.
- 11 Don't let the ball get \_\_\_\_\_ you and your side of the net.