

- 1. There is a plethora of evidence**
- 2. The amount of data is doubling every year**
- 3. In real time = online**
- 4. Create thoughts**
- 5. X is key to Y**
- 6. Give a simple example**
- 7. Some = a bunch of**
- 8. They get excited**
- 9. Put out a high probability**
- 10. Conceptual levels**
- 11. Information flows down**
- 12. X sends a signal down to Y**
- 13. Be on the look-out for X**
- 14. Lower the threshold**
- 15. X Stretches down to...**
- 16. That's ironic**
- 17. Stimulate X**
- 18. Trigger a laugh reflex**
- 19. Detect humor**
- 20. She found everything hilarious**
- 21. A Typical comment**
- 22. Master = learn**

- 23. Jeopardy**
- 24. Jeopardize**
- 25. Query**
- 26. Inquiry**
- 27. It's a sophisticated example,**
- 28. 5 years from now = later**
- 29. Search engines**
- 30. Express concern/hope / satisfaction**
- 31. Get past sth**
- 32. A new approach to sth**
- 33. An exponential trend**
- 34. Capillaries**
- 35. Provide an extension of/ to**
- 36. Do a complex search**
- 37. Access X = have access to X**
- 38. Our thinking will be hybrid**
- 39. X is subject to Y**
- 40. X will grow exponentially**
- 41. Primates = primitive creatures**
- 42. It is a quantitative expansion**
- 43. Take a leap = jump**
- 44. No other species have done that**

- 45. We Carry an image of an all-knowing superhero**
- 46. Protect the followers**
- 47. Outdated = old-fashioned**
- 48. X is based on Y**
- 49. Conduct a study**
- 50. Significant talent gaps**
- 51. Cite = mention**
- 52. Critical leadership roles**
- 53. We failed to grow enough great leaders**
- 54. The odds are that**
- 55. Against all the odds**
- 56. Fortune 500 companies**
- 57. Advise 2000 CEOs**
- 58. Chief Executive Officers**
- 59. Cultivate a leadership pipeline**
- 60. More than you can imagine**
- 61. Notice a disturbing trend**
- 62. Despite all the efforts**
- 63. Keep + Ving**
- 64. Keep resurfacing = keep emerging**
- 65. A high-potential leader**

- 66. Destroy unrecoverable value**
- 67. X is equipped with Y**
- 68. Lead crucial initiatives**
- 69. A Once-thriving business**
- 70. A market shift**
- 71. Reduce its size in half**
- 72. Job cuts**
- 73. These recurring stories**
- 74. Go out of business**
- 75. This gap is widening**
- 76. There is a widening gap between X and Y**
- 77. I was consumed these questions**
- 78. X was ahead of his time**
- 79. X was behind his time**
- 80. X was beyond his time**
- 81. Anticipate and navigate his political context**
- 82. Despite very limited financial resources**
- 83. Make an impact**
- 84. Make a difference**
- 85. Bring together**
- 86. Seeming adversaries**
- 87. X is of vital importance**

- 88. X is virtually impossible
- 89. X has vested interests in Y
- 90. A vast range of
- 91. A vast array of ...
- 92. A vast number of ...
- 93. X varies widely/ considerably / greatly / significantly
- 94. X is a valid argument
- 95. Use sth sparingly
- 96. Have unlimited access to
- 97. X is universally accepted
- 98. X is in a position
- 99. X has unintended consequences
- 100. I received unfair treatment

ban

verb + ban

1. The Football Association **imposed** a three-match ban on the player for unprofessional behavior.

1.1. X **imposed** Y on Z

1.2. a three-match ban on sb

1.3. Unprofessional behavior

2. Thousands of students **defied** the ban on political meetings. They held a mass demonstration in the main square demanding freedom of speech and free elections.

2.1. Sb defied the ban on sth

2.2. Sb holds a mass demonstration in

2.3. Freedom of speech and free elections

3. After the failure of the pay negotiations, the union **announced** a ban on overtime.

3.1. The failure of the pay negotiations

3.2. X announced a ban on overtime

4. The government will **lift** the ban on fishing for scallops when scientists assure them that the shellfish are safe to eat.

4.1. Sb lifts the ban on sth

4.2. X assures Y that + S

4.3. Sth is safe to + V

5. Do you remember which airline was the first to **introduce** a smoking ban on all its flights?

5.1. X is the first to + V

5.2. Introduce a ban on sth

6. All delegates except the Japanese **supported** the worldwide ban on whaling.

6.1. X supports the worldwide ban on Y

2 A complete ban on something

1. From Monday there is to be a total ban on **using e-mail** for personal purposes in office time. Anyone caught booking flights, for example, will be dismissed on the spot.

1.1. There is to be a total ban on + N

1.2. Personal purposes

1.3. Office time

1.4. Catch sb booking flights

1.5. Dismiss sb on the spot

2. Thousands of children lost limbs in the aftermath of the war. All political parties are calling for a ban on the production and use of **land mines**.
 - 2.1. Sb lost limbs
 - 2.2. In the aftermath of sth
 - 2.3. Political parties
 - 2.4. Call for a ban on sth
 - 2.5. Land mine production

3. In the aftermath of Dunblane and the American high school shootings, there were calls for a complete ban on the **sale of handguns**.
 - 3.1. School shootings
 - 3.2. A complete ban on sth
 - 3.3. Handgun sales

4. In order to discourage young people from smoking, many western governments have imposed a blanket ban on **tobacco advertising**.
 - 4.1. Discourage sb from + N
 - 4.2. Impose a blanket ban on sth

5. Many famous biologists believe that there should be an outright ban on **human cloning**.
 - 5.1. There should be
 - 5.2. An outright ban on human cloning

6. The African elephant is only surviving today because of the worldwide ban on Go back and underline all the expressions meaning a complete ban on **the trade in ivory**.
 - 6.1.1. X is surviving today
 - 6.1.2. The worldwide ban on + N
 - 6.1.3. Go back
 - 6.1.4. The trade in ivory

Complete ban= total, blanket, outright, worldwide

3 Put + a ban on

Notice the difference between these sentences:

a. They've banned the advertising of alcohol.

b. They've put a ban on the advertising of alcohol.

Change the following sentences so that they follow the pattern of sentence b:

1. They've banned the sale of alcohol at the match.

1.1. The sale of ...

They've put a ban on the sale of alcohol at the match.

1.2. Put a ban on sth

2. They've banned the importing of UK lamb.

2.1. Ban the importing of sth

They've put a ban on the import of UK lamb.

2.2. A ban on the import of sth

3. They've banned all flights into North Korea.

3.1. All the flights into

They've put a ban on all flights into North Korea.

4. They've banned the sale of drinks.

They've put a ban on the sale of drinks.

- "The ban is total, complete, 100%! Which word don't you understand?"

Notes

1. In 1-2. ignored. is also possible.

2. Note the use of 'banned' as an adjective: His gold medal was taken away from him when his tests proved that he had been using a banned substance. He was arrested for belonging to a banned political party.

2.1. Take away sth from sb

2.2. Sb uses a banned substance

2.3. Sb was arrested

2.4. Sb belongs to a banned political party

3. A 'test ban treaty' is an agreement between countries to stop testing nuclear weapons.

3.1. A test ban treaty

3.2. Stop testing nuclear weapons

4. Here is a common use of 'ban. as a verb: He was banned from driving for three years.

4.1. Sb is banned from + N

behavior

1 Verb + behavior

1. Go and report to the head teacher immediately. I'm not standing for this sort of behavior in my classroom any longer. I simply will not **tolerate** your appalling behavior.
 - 1.1. Report X to sb
 - 1.2. I'm not standing for this sort of behavior
 - 1.3. Any longer
 - 1.4. Tolerate sb's appalling behavior
2. An insecure family environment can only **affect** a child's behavior in a negative way.
 - 2.1. An insecure family environment
 - 2.2. X affects a child's behavior
 - 2.3. In a negative way
3. I don't know why you're **criticizing** my behavior! You're not exactly perfect yourself.
 - 3.1. Criticize sb's behavior
 - 3.2. You're not exactly perfect yourself
4. How do you **explain** her behavior at the party last night? She was rude to almost everybody she talked to, which isn't like her. I'm certainly baffled by her behavior.
 - 4.1. Explain sb's behavior
 - 4.2. She is rude to everyone she talked to
 - 4.3. I am baffled by sb's behavior
5. The President has **apologized for** his behavior, but many people are unwilling to accept that and feel that he should resign.
 - 5.1. Sb is unwilling to accept that and feel that + S
6. Terry can be a real nuisance in class, but I must say his behavior has **improved** a lot recently.
 - 6.1. A nuisance person
 - 6.2. Improve sb's behavior
7. You can **change** your behavior, but you can't **change** your personality!

2 Common adjective collocations

1. The crowd booed when the national anthem was played at the beginning of the football match. I find that sort of **disgraceful** behavior. It's completely unacceptable.
 - 1.1. Boo sb
 - 1.2. Play the national anthem
 - 1.3. I find that sort of disgraceful behavior
2. My mother's problem is she washes her hands over and over again. As you can imagine, this kind of **obsessive** behavior can be difficult to live with.
 - 2.1. Over and over again
 - 2.2. Obsessive behavior can be difficult to live with
3. The latest studies seem to show that computer games encourage **violent** and aggressive behavior in young children
 - 3.1. X encourages violent and aggressive behavior in children
4. Our chemistry teacher is everyone's idea of the mad scientist. His behavior is somewhat **eccentric**. It's hard to predict what he'll do next.
 - 4.1. Sb is everyone's idea of the mad scientist
 - 4.2. Eccentric behavior
5. It is important that teachers reward **good** behavior.
 - 5.1. Reward good behavior
6. There's no question that playing loud music after midnight in a flat is **anti-social** behavior.
 - 6.1. In a flat
 - 6.2. Playing loud music is anti-social behavior

3 Noun + preposition + behavior

1. Our school demands the highest **standard** of behavior from its students.
 - 1.1. Demand the highest standard of behavior
2. I don't understand why Maria just got up and walked out. Did she offer any **explanation** for her strange behavior?
 - 2.1. Offer / provide some explanation for sb's behavior
3. Nobody should behave like that in public. There's no **excuse** for that kind of behavior.

3.1. Behave like that in public

3.2. There's no excuse / pretext for that kind of behavior

4. Leaving her to walk home alone so late at night was outside the **bounds** of acceptable behavior. I think you should apologize to her.

4.1. Leave sb to walk home alone

4.2. X is outside the bounds of acceptable behavior

4.3 apologize to sb for sth

5. Since our daughter started her treatment, there's been a definite **improvement** in her behavior. She's much less aggressive at school.

5.1. start a treatment

5.2. A definite improvement in sb's behavior

5.3. She's much less aggressive

6. **The boy next door** is always in trouble with the police. However, when he was at school, he was a **model** of good behavior.

6.1. The boy next door

6.2. He is in trouble with sth

6.3. He was a model of good behavior

Notes

1. Note the following ways of expressing your disapproval of someone's behavior:

There's really no need for that sort of behavior.

This kind of behavior **just won't do.** Your behavior leaves a lot to be desired.

1.1. This behavior won't do / work

1.2. Your behavior leaves a lot to be desired

His behavior at the meeting was inappropriate.

1.3. Inappropriate behavior

2. Good behavior can be **excellent or exemplary.** Bad behavior can be **unacceptable, strange, violent and undesirable.**

2.1. Exemplary behavior

3. Note the expression 'be on your best behavior':

Now, you're meeting my parents tomorrow. Please **be on your best behavior!**

4. Note these types of behavior:

We need to understand the causes of criminal behavior. We've learned a lot from animal behavior.

4.1. Criminal behavior

4.2. Learn from animal behavior

5. Behavior is often followed by to or towards:

I can understand Geoff's behavior towards Steve.

5.1. X understands Y's behavior towards Z

Steve never paid back the money he borrowed.

belief

1 Verb + belief

1. My boss **holds** strong political beliefs and expresses them **on every possible occasion!**
 - 1.1. Hold strongbeliefs
 - 1.2. Express beliefs
 - 1.3. on every possible occasion
2. **Although I don't share your beliefs,** I do respect them. I think this is important in a democratic society.
 - 2.1. Share sb's beliefs
 - 2.2. A democratic society
3. We should all have the courage to **stand up for** our beliefs.
 - 3.1. Have the courage to + V
 - 3.2. Stand up for sb's beliefs
4. He was only fined \$100 for killing somebody in a road accident! **This case has shaken my belief in our justice system.**
 - 4.1. Sb is fined \$... for + N
 - 4.2. In a road accident
 - 4.3. X has shaken my belief in Y
 - 4.4. This case has shaken my beliefs
 - 4.5. in justice system = judicial system
5. My mother's long battle against stomach cancer has only **strengthened** her belief in God.
 - 5.1. A Long battle against sth
 - 5.2. X strengthens sb's beliefs in God
6. A week after her husband disappeared in a boating accident, **she's still clinging to the belief that he's alive. She refuses to accept that** he might have drowned.
 - 6.1. in a boating accident
 - 6.2. x refuses / fails to accept that + S
 - 6.3. cling to the belief that + S

2 Common adjective collocations

1. For years at school I was under **mistaken** the belief that Anne was Chris's mother. It was only years later I found out she was his step-sister!
 - 1.1. I was under mistake the belief that + S
 - 1.2. It was only years later + S
2. Contrary to **popular** belief, eating carrots does not improve your eyesight.
 - 2.1. Contrary to popular belief + S
 - 2.2. Improve sb's eyesight
3. My brother has an **unshakeable** belief in his own abilities. I've never known anybody with such self-belief and self-confidence.
 - 3.1. Have an unshakeable belief ...
 - 3.2. Know sb with sth
4. It is my **firm** belief that abortion is immoral. Nobody will ever convince me that we have the right to end life in that way.
 - 4.1. It is my firm belief that + S
 - 4.2. Immoral abortion
 - 4.3. Nobody will ever.....(inversion)
 - 4.4. Convince sb that + S
 - 4.5. Have the right to end sth
5. Fighting has again broken out along the border. There is now a **growing** belief among politicians that war is inevitable.
 - 5.1. Fighting breaks out
 - 5.2. along the border
 - 5.3. There is now a growing belief among sth
 - 5.4. War is inevitable
6. If you want to be a successful salesman, you have to have a **genuine** belief in the product you are selling. It's no good just pretending to like something.
 - 6.1. Salesman
 - 6.2. Have a genuine belief in sth
 - 6.3. Pretend to + V

3 Expressions with prepositions

Complete the sentences below with on, to or of

1. Throughout her persecution, Joan of Arc remained faithful **to** her beliefs. She refused to give them up.

- 1.1. Throughout her persecution
- 1.2. Remained faithful to sb's beliefs

2. The fact that millions of people are dying of famine has shaken the foundations **of** my belief in God.

- 2.1. Sb is dying of + N
- 2.2. X has shaken the foundations of my belief in sth

3. Sarah's parents hadn't realized the depth **of** her religious beliefs until she told them she had decided to become a nun.

- 3.1. Realize the depth of sb's religious beliefs

4. I've never really trusted that woman I've always had doubts about the sincerity **of** her beliefs.

- 4.1. Trust sb
- 4.2. Have doubts about the sincerity of sb's beliefs

5 Capitalism is partly based **on** the belief that people work more productively if they are working for themselves.

- 5.1. Sb is partly based **on** the belief that + S

6. Every religion has its own set **of** beliefs.

- 6.1. Set of beliefs

"Contrary to popular belief eating carrots does not improve your eyesight!"

Notes

1. Note the following expressions:

She may have made the situation worse, but she acted in the belief that she was doing the right thing.
That's impossible to believe! It's beyond belief It's my belief that a vaccine for AIDS will be found.

- 1.1. Make the situation worse
- 1.2. Sb acts in the belief that + S

- 1.3. Do the right thing
 - 1.4. That's impossible to believe
 - 1.5. It's beyond belief
 - 1.6. Find a vaccine for AIDS
2. If you really find something impossible to explain or understand you can say that it beggars belief. It beggars belief how one man could have destroyed a bank.
- 2.1. Find something impossible to + V
 - 2.2. X beggars belief
 - 2.3. Destroy a bank
3. Note that we talk of having political and religious beliefs.
- 3.1. Talk of having political and religious beliefs

benefit

I Verb + benefit

1. Tourism has **brought** many benefits to the area.

X has **brought** many benefits to sth

2. I want to say that I'm against the building of this new center. I think the risks of the scheme far **outweigh** any potential benefits.

2.1. I'm against + N

2.2. building of this new center

2.3. the risks of the scheme far outweigh any potential benefits

3. Book your holiday with us. The benefits **include** full medical cover while you're abroad.

3.1. Book a holiday with sb

3.2. X includes full medical cover

3.3. I'm abroad

4. Too many children from poor social backgrounds don't **derive** much benefit from school. No, I know what you mean. I didn't get much benefit from my days at school either.

4.1. poor social backgrounds

4.2. X derives much benefit from Y

4.3. get much benefit from sth

5. The doctor said that I would start to **feel** the benefits of the new treatment in a few months' time.

5.1. feel the benefits of the new treatment

5.2. in a few months' time

6. There's an article in this morning's paper **outlining** the benefits of eating fresh fruit and vegetables every day.

6.1. this morning's paper

6.2. outline the benefits of sth

7. Joanne is now a millionaire. She's finally **reaping** the benefits of all those years of writing.

7.1. I reap the benefits of + N

7.2. all those years of + N

2 Benefit + of + noun

1. He's just beginning to see the benefits of all his **hard work** and dedication.
 - 1.1. Sb's hard work and dedication
2. Most cyclists are fully aware of the safety benefits of wearing a **helmet**.
 - 2.1. Be fully aware of sth
 - 2.2. the safety benefits of wearing a helmet
3. Getting a good job was easy as I had the benefit of a university **education**.
 - 3.1. I have the benefit of sth
4. The report of the town planners emphasized the likely benefits of the new traffic **scheme** but said little about the costs.
 - 4.1. X emphasized the likely benefits of Y
 - 4.2. the new traffic scheme
5. My two unmarried aunts have been keen swimmers ever since they read about the benefits of regular **exercise**.
 - 5.1. unmarried aunts
 - 5.2. ever since
6. I'm a great believer in the benefits of **organic food** Most of the things we eat today are full of preservatives and chemicals. Go back and underline the full expressions.
 - 6.1. I'm a great believer in the benefits of + N
 - 6.2. X is full of preservatives and chemicals

3 Benefit (payment)

1. In the UK all families with children under 18 years of age are entitled to **child benefit**.
 - 1.1. sb under 18 years of age
 - 1.2. sb is entitled to + N
2. Our neighbor lost his job ten years ago and he's been claiming **unemployment** benefit ever since.

- 2.1. Lose a job
- 2.2. Claim unemployment benefit
- 3. A company car and first-class air travel are the main **fringe** benefits I get in my job.
 - 3.1. first-class air travel
 - 3.2. X is the main fringe benefit
- 4. Everyone used to get child benefit - irrespective of income. Now we're changing to a system of **means-tested** benefits. Some people think its fairer
 - 4.1. get child benefit
 - 4.2. irrespective of sth
 - 4.3. we're changing to + N
 - 4.4. means-tested benefits
 - 4.5. X is fairer
- 5. I'm afraid you'll have to pay the full rent for the fiat. You're not eligible for **housing** benefit.
 - 5.1. pay the full rent for the fiat
 - 5.2. You're not eligible for + N
 - 5.3. housing benefit
- 6. All employees have to pay into a fund for **welfare** benefits such as unemployment and sickness pay.
 - 6.1. I pay into a fund for welfare benefits
 - 6.2. unemployment and sickness pay

Notes

1. Note how we describe a lot of benefit:

You need to take these pills for three or more weeks to get the full benefit.

1.1. Take the pills

1.2. Get the full benefit

The new reward scheme will be of great benefit to our customers.

1.3. X is of great benefit to + N

We want you to get maximum benefit from your course. These new laws will have far-reaching benefits for single-parent families.

1.4. get maximum benefit from sb's course

1.5. X is far-reaching benefits for Y

1.6. single-parent families

The benefit to the local economy will be incalculable.

2. If you 'give somebody the benefit of the doubt'. It means you accept what they say even though you think they may be wrong or lying.

2.1. sb may be wrong or lying

3. Notice these ways of speaking enthusiastically about benefits:

His book extols the benefits of vegetarianism.

3.1. extol the benefits of sth

He's always waxing lyrical about the benefits of bathing in icy cold water — even in winter!

3.2. X waxes Y

3.3. benefits of bathing in sth

4. Notice the prepositions in these expressions:

Look, this plan will make on thousands! You can, say no. It's to our mutual benefit.

4.1. This plan will make on thousands

4.2. Mutual benefit

She repeated the instructions again for my benefit (just for me).

4.3. for my benefit

cause

1 Verb + cause Underline the verbs which mean 'find':

1. The cause of the fire may never be discovered.
 - 1.1. The cause of sth
2. The police never actually determined the cause of death.
 - 2.1. determine the cause of sth
3. Investigators have been called in to establish the cause of the plane crash.
 - 3.1. X has been called in to + V
 - 3.2. establish the cause of the plane crash
4. Engineers are trying to isolate the cause of the problem.
 - 4.1. isolate the cause of the problem

2 Common adjective collocations Complete the sentences below with the following: common exact likely real main underlying

1. Although they can't be certain, the investigators think that the most **likely** cause of the crash was that the driver of the train had a heart attack.
 - 1.1. sb is certain
 - 1.2. the most likely cause of
 - 1.3. heart attack
2. The most **common** cause of air accidents is pilot error - not mechanical failure.
 - 2.1. The most common cause of sth
 - 2.2. air accidents is pilot error
 - 2.3. mechanical failure
3. Although the link is not clear, many politicians believe that unemployment is the **underlying** cause of a lot of urban crime.
 - 3.1. X is the underlying cause of Y
 - 3.2. Urban crime
4. We don't know why my aunt died. The post mortem will determine the **exact** cause.

- 4.1. post mortem
- 4.2. determine the exact cause
- 5. Speeding is the **main** cause of road accidents.
 - 5.1. Road accidents
- 6. We all know what the inquiry said, but do you think that was the **real** cause of John's death?
 - 6.1. I know what + S

3 Cause + for Use these words in the sentences below: alarm celebration complaint concern optimism

- 1. My grandmother's failing health is giving us cause for **concern**. She might have to go into hospital.
 - 1.1. fail health
 - 1.2. cause for concern
- 2. We have run into some severe turbulence, but there is no cause for **alarm**. Please fasten your seatbelts and remain seated till the 'fasten seatbelts' sign has been switched off.
 - 2.1. X runs into Y
 - 2.2. severe turbulence
 - 2.3. there is no cause for alarm
 - 2.4. remain seated
 - 2.5. switched off the sign
- 3. I have no cause for **complaint**. The flights, the hotel, the food have all been excellent.
 - 3.1. I have no cause for complaint
 - 3.2. X has all been excellent
- 4. Following the breakdown of talks, the present political climate gives little cause for **optimism**
 - 4.1. breakdown of talks
 - 4.2. political climate
 - 4.3. X gives little cause for Y
- 5. Arsenal's victory in the competition was cause for **celebration** and the fans partied till about 3am.
 - 5.1. victory in the competition
 - 5.2. X parties till ...

4 Common expressions Match the two halves to make common expressions with cause:

- 1. What do you think is the cause of the pain?
- 2. It's all a matter of cause and effect.
- 3. I've never had any cause to complain.

4. She's never had a day off without good cause.
 - 4.1. Have a day
5. We don't yet know the cause of death.

5 Cause (something people believe in)

A common meaning of cause is 'reason', but it can also mean something important that people believe in. For example:

A lot of people leave money in their will to good causes such as the NSPCC (the National Society for the prevention of to children).

Use a suitable preposition in these sentences:

1. Most people want independence and many young men are willing to fight **for** the cause.
 - 1.1. sb wants independence
 - 1.2. I'm willing to fight for the cause
2. These violent demonstrations will do little to further the cause **of** animal rights.
 - 2.1. violent demonstrations
 - 2.2. X does little to further the cause of Y
3. Anti-smoking campaigners hope the public will be sympathetic **to** their cause.
 - 3.1. The public are sympathetic to their cause
4. I don't mind giving money if it is **for** a good cause.
 - 4.1. I don't mind giving + N...
 - 4.2. it is for a good cause

Notes

1. Note the following:
 - 1.1.1.1. I've tried everything to get my money back from the company. I'm beginning to think it's a lost cause.
 - 1.2. I try everything to get my sth back
 - 1.3. X is a lost cause
2. In 2-3 you can also say 'root cause' - the basic, underlying cause.
3. In 5-4 deserving is also possible. Both in a good cause and for a good cause are equally correct.
 - 3.1. Both X and Y are equally correct

4. We use the French phrase - a cause celebre - to talk about a very controversial issue.

4.1. A controversial issue

5. If you die 'of natural causes, you die of old age - not illness or accident.

5.1. natural causes

5.2. you die of old age

6. Notice in exercise 4 you say 'without good cause' and not 'without a good cause'.

7. You can 'champion' a cause. For example, Germaine Greer has championed the cause of feminism.

7.1. She championed the cause of feminism