

VOCABULARY

4 Verbs which are often confused

a Read the story. Cross out the wrong verbs.



Last week I went to my local bookshop. I was looking forward to ¹knowing/meeting my favourite author who was visiting the shop that day to sign books. When I saw her, I thought she ²looked/seemed fantastic. She had obviously ³won/earned a lot of money from all the books she'd written, and she was ⁴carrying/wearing very elegant clothes. I ⁵hoped/waited that she would sign my copy of the book for me, although there were a lot of other people there, and finally I was able to ⁶tell/say hello to her. At that moment we ⁷noticed/realized that we ⁸knew/met each other. We had been friends years ago and had shared a flat together. She wrote under a pseudonym, which is why I had never ⁹realized/noticed that it was her. The crowds of people ¹⁰avoided/prevented us from having a proper conversation, so we agreed to meet for lunch. We had a great time ¹¹discussing/arguing literature and I ¹²remembered/reminded her of when she was just a poor student!

b Match the two halves of the sentences.

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| 1 He stole | a a music shop. |
| 2 He robbed | b some CDs. |
| 3 She can speak | a English fluently. |
| 4 At the moment she's talking | b on the phone. |
| 5 I talked to our new au pair on the phone. | a She seems very nice. |
| 6 Our new au pair has sent us a photo. | b She looks very nice. |
| 7 I listen to the news on the radio every day. | a Please turn the radio up. |
| 8 I can't hear the news. | b I never buy a newspaper. |
| 9 I hope | a my husband will forget my birthday. |
| 10 I expect | b he'll get me a nice present. |
| 11 'What do you want to do tonight?' | a 'I don't mind.' |
| 12 'Sorry, I can't come tonight.' | b 'It doesn't matter.' |
| 13 Speed cameras are used | a to avoid having an accident. |
| 14 Drive carefully | b to prevent accidents. |
| 15 He hadn't realized | a her wedding ring. |
| 16 He hadn't noticed | b that she was married. |

5 Pronunciation: Regular past tenses

Write the past form of the verbs in the list in the correct column according to the pronunciation of the final -ed.

argue avoid edit hope influence involve matter
prescribe press print publish realize search tend treat

	hoped	

Language note work + preposition

work in + place / area of work, e.g. I **work in a factory**. / Kim **works in publishing**.
work for + name of company, e.g. I'd like to **work for Vodafone**.
work as + job, e.g. How long **have you worked as a teacher**?
work on + a project, e.g. We've **been working on a new design**.
work with + person / equipment, e.g. **Did you work with** Leo on the sales figures? / We **have to work with dangerous chemicals**.

DEVELOPING CONVERSATIONS

That must be ...

Write responses using the adjectives in the box.

disappointing stressful tiring fascinating rewarding fun

- A: I have such a lot on my plate – recruitment, contracts, training and all the admin.
B: *That must be stressful.*
- A: I work with children with learning difficulties. It's amazing to see the progress they can make.
B:
- A: I really thought I was going to get my promotion, but my boss said maybe next year.
B:
- A: I work such long hours and I never take my full holiday entitlement.
B:
- A: I'm the head of research into the use of robots in medicine.
B:
- A: Basically, my hobby has become my job. I design computer games.
B:

LISTENING

5.1 You are going to hear five people talking about unsuccessful job interviews. Match the speakers (1-5) to the letters (a-e).

Who ...

- didn't appear serious enough?
- criticised his / her current boss?
- came across as too big-headed?
- arrived late?
- didn't do enough preparation?

Speaker 1
 Speaker 2
 Speaker 3
 Speaker 4
 Speaker 5

PRONUNCIATION

Past simple -ed endings

A Look at these extracts from Listening. How many syllables does each past simple form have?

- he invited a group of us to go for a meal 3
- when I looked at my watch, I couldn't believe it was 11:30
- My alarm went off at 6:30 but I just ignored it and went back to sleep.
- Every time the interviewer asked me something, my mind just went blank.
- It sounded really good, so I decided to go for it.
- I remembered I'd skipped breakfast.
- The head of sales looked a bit surprised but handed them both over.
- I answered it because it was one of my co-workers.

B Mark the links in the sentences in exercise A.

- 1 He invited a group of us to go for a meal.

C 5.2 Listen and check your answers.