

finished

He lost a game of tennis to his little sister. He'll never live it down.

lassi

/ˈlasi/

noun

a sweet or savoury Indian drink made from a yogurt or buttermilk base with water.

doozy

/ˈduːzi/

noun INFORMAL • NORTH AMERICAN

something outstanding or unique of its kind.

"it's gonna be a doozy of a black eye"

grandiose

/ˈɡrandiəʊs/

adjective

impressive and imposing in appearance or style, especially pretentiously so.

"the court's grandiose facade"

ruse /ruːz/

noun

an action intended to deceive someone; a trick.

"Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house"

it was all a ruse.

downtown

NORTH AMERICAN

adjective

/ˌdaʊnˈtaʊn/

in or relating to the central part or main business and commercial area of a town or city.

"downtown Chicago"

adverb

/ˌdaʊnˈtaʊn/

in or into a downtown area.

"I drove downtown"

I work downtown, but I live in the suburbs.

Yesterday I ate sushi with octopus suction cups. It's a really good combination with crispy dried seaweed.

get COVID

get the coronavirus
infected by the coronavirus

telling /'tɛlɪŋ/
adjective
having a striking or revealing effect; significant.
"a telling argument against this theory"

parkour
/pɑ:'kɔ:/
noun
the activity or sport of moving rapidly through an area, typically in an urban environment, negotiating obstacles by running, jumping, and climbing.

lever /'li:və/

liver /'lɪvə/

undercarriage
/'ʌndə,kærɪdʒ/
noun
a wheeled structure beneath an aircraft, typically retracted when not in use, which supports the aircraft on the ground.
"the undercarriage collapsed on landing"

naw
/nɔ:/
exclamation INFORMAL • SCOTTISH
variant spelling of no (exclamation), representing a dialect or non-standard pronunciation.
""Want some toast?" 'Naw""

preference
/'prɛf(ə)rəns/

coach /kəʊtʃ/
a comfortably equipped single-decker bus used for longer journeys.
"a coach trip"

an instructor or trainer in sport.
"a football coach"

troubled waters
plural noun
: a difficult or confusing situation

When can you use evidence as a countable noun? Well, whenever you think of "evidence" as something that can be counted. In other words, whenever "evidence" needs to be pluralized, and since the suffix -s is involved in pluralization, why not use it? Now, this dictionary says that the count noun evidence is "chiefly US" and "somewhat formal," and gives as example They found many evidences of neglect. Be that as it may, I tend to see "evidences" in particular contexts, namely religious, legal, and scientific contexts.

hit the road
to leave a place or begin a journey:
I'd love to stay longer but I must be hitting the road.

dairy /'deəri/

whetstone
/'wetstəʊn/
noun
a fine-grained stone used for sharpening cutting tools.

Agassi was playing well above his world ranking of 12.

We do have a high ranking.

Ranking of the top 30 most mentioned words.

This list contains the top 30 tweets with the most likes on the social networking platform X (formerly Twitter).

consequence
/'kɒnsɪkw(ə)ns/

I'm in a love triangle.

There are many variations on this and all are OK.

She's acting weird.
She acting real weird.
She's acting really weirdly.
She's acting kinda weird / weirdly.

Come on, it's time we left (= time for us to leave).

verbiage /'və:biɪdʒ/
excessively lengthy or technical speech or writing.
"the basic idea here, despite all the verbiage, is simple"

the way in which something is expressed; wording or diction.
"we need to look at how the rule should be applied, based on the verbiage"

design /dɪˈzaɪn/

[uncountable] the art or process of deciding how something will look, work, etc. by drawing plans, making models, etc.

a course in art and design

a design studio

computer-aided design

the design and development of new products

Is this the final price or is it 20 % off from this price?

I'm sure it says "Buy One and get the second half price" on the flyer. play icon

It says "If you buy two, then one is 50% off" on the flyer.

"I purchased the blouse for 10% off the original purchase price."

However, "I purchased the blouse at a discount of 10%."

Employees can buy books at a discount.

How much off will this be?

What is the percent off of this item?

How much will be taken off of this item?

What's the reduction on this item, please?

What is the duration of the lesson?

I shortened my work hours from 1 hour to 10 minutes.

What day and time is convenient for you?

Did you apply the discount to this?

Instead of "buy one, get one free", can I get one for half price? Or 40% off?

incidentally

/ˌɪnsɪˈdɛntəli, ˌɪnsɪˈdɛntli/

used to add a further comment or a remark unconnected to the current subject; by the way.

"incidentally, it was many months before the whole truth was discovered"

sloth /sləʊθ/

coral /ˈkɒrəl/

emphasis /ˈɛmfəˌsɪs/

situation /ˌsɪtʃʊˈeɪʃn/

answer /'ɑ:nsə/

Sometimes it is difficult to answer unexpected questions from my students.

bludgeon

/'blʌdʒ(ə)n/

noun

a thick stick with a heavy end, used as a weapon.

"maces and spiked bludgeons"

I have a runny nose.

Where My Hug At? is a catchphrase often said to be used by creepy or unattractive men to try and get hugs from women.

reveal (one's) hand

To make one's plans, intentions, ideas, or resources known to others, especially those that were previously hidden or kept secret. (Also expressed as "reveal (one's) cards"; both phrases refer to displaying one's cards ("hand") during a card game.)

In business negotiations, it's important that you don't reveal your hand right away, or you might risk losing out on the best deal possible.

Pressure from the government is forcing the notoriously secretive CEO to reveal his hand regarding his company's tax profile and offshore accounts.

smack dab

adverb INFORMAL • NORTH AMERICAN

exactly; precisely.

"I'm in Bolivia, smack dab in the heart of South America"

swing by/past (something)

to visit a place quickly, especially on your way to another place :

I told Paul we'd swing by his place around 7.30.

We can swing past the shop on the way to the party.

obscene

/əb'si:n/

adjective

(of the portrayal or description of sexual matters) offensive or disgusting by accepted standards of morality and decency.

"obscene jokes"

the last straw

phrase of straw

a further difficulty or annoyance, typically minor in itself but coming on top of a series of difficulties, that makes a situation unbearable.

"his affair was the last straw"

husk /hʌsk/

the dry outer covering of some fruits or seeds.

"the fibrous husk of the coconut"

defecate

/ˈdɛfɪkeɪt, ˈdiːfɪkeɪt/

verb

discharge faeces from the body.

[intransitive] stink (of something) to seem very bad, unpleasant or dishonest

The whole business stank of corruption.

'What do you think of the idea?' 'I think it stinks.'

[intransitive] stink (of something) to have a strong, unpleasant smell

SYNONYM reek

Her breath stank of garlic.

It stinks of smoke in here.

Don't go in there—it stinks.

altar

/ˈɔːltə, ˈɒltə/

noun

the table in a Christian church at which the bread and wine are consecrated in communion services.

"the huge jewelled tabernacle above the altar was executed by Jacopo da Trezzo"

matrimony

/ˈmatrɪməni/

noun

the state of being married; marriage.

"the joys of matrimony"

margherita

/ˌmɑːgəˈriːtə/

adjective

denoting a pizza topped with tomatoes, cheese, and traditionally also basil.

"a slice of margherita pizza"

confit

/ˈkɒnfi/

noun

duck or other meat cooked very slowly in its own fat.

patriarch /ˈpeɪtriɑːk/

the male head of a family or tribe.
an older man who is powerful within an organisation.
"Hollywood's reigning patriarch rose to speak"
the male founder of something.
"he's the patriarch of all spin doctors"

tinkle /'tɪŋkl/
make or cause to make a light, clear ringing sound.
"cool water tinkled in the stone fountains"
INFORMAL
an act of urinating.
"you have to pay to go in for a tinkle"

down the road
phrase of road
INFORMAL•NORTH AMERICAN
in the future.
"they couldn't predict the disastrous war looming a few years down the road"

liminal
/'lɪmɪnəl/
adjective TECHNICAL
1.
occupying a position at, or on both sides of, a boundary or threshold.
"I was in the liminal space between past and present"
2.
relating to a transitional or initial stage of a process.
"that liminal period when a child is old enough to begin following basic rules but is still too young to do so consistently"

libation
/lɪˈbeɪʃn/
noun
a drink poured out as an offering to a deity.
"he poured the libation of rum on the ground"

poutine
/puːˈtiːn/
noun CANADIAN
a dish of chips topped with cheese curds and gravy.

cleavage /'kli:vɪdʒ/

cul-de-sac
/'kʌldəsək, 'kʊldəsək/
noun
a street or passage that is closed at one end.
Similar:

no through road
blind alley
dead end
a route or course leading nowhere.
"was the new post a career cul-de-sac?"

titillate
/'tɪtɪleɪt/
verb
arouse (someone) to interest or mild excitement, especially through sexually suggestive images or words.
"the press are paid to titillate the public"

cicada
/sɪ'kɑːdə/

back out
phrasal verb of back
withdraw from a commitment.
"if he backs out of the deal they'll sue him"

put down
kill an animal because it is sick, injured, or old.
"the horse's condition deteriorated and he was put down"

contrast
noun
/'kɒntrɑːst/
verb
/kən'trɑːst, 'kɒntrɑːst/

Because the time period is unfinished, we use the present perfect tense with the past and the last:

He's had two new cars in the last/the past three years.

It's been too hot the last/the past few days. I hope it cools down soon.

sepsis /'sɛpsɪs/
a serious condition resulting from the presence of harmful microorganisms in the blood or other tissues and the body's response to their presence, potentially leading to the malfunctioning of various organs, shock, and death.

pundit
/'pʌndɪt/
noun
1.

an expert in a particular subject or field who is frequently called upon to give their opinions to the public.

"political pundits were tipping him for promotion"

There's always so much clutter on your desk!

Try to get rid of screen clutter.

There was a clutter of bottles and tubes on the shelf.

clutter

/ˈklʌtə/

verb

cover or fill (something) with an untidy collection of things.

"the room was cluttered with his bric-a-brac"

First time customers get a 20% discount. Second time and after you get a 10% discount.

wok /wɒk/

a bowl-shaped frying pan used typically in Chinese cooking.

Can I take your order?

May I take your order?

"Are you ready to order?"

"Can I get you anything?"

"What can I get you?"

"Would you like to order anything?"

Actually, I have a vein fetish.

His fetish for foot became apparent when he mentioned finding them alluring and intriguing.

evening /ˈiːvniŋ/

dress down

dress informally.

"Sue dressed down in old jeans and a white blouse"

brandy

/ˈbrændi/

notorious

/nə(ʊ)ˈtɔːriəs/

enmesh

/ɪnˈmeʃ, ɛnˈmeʃ/

verb

cause to become entangled in something.

"whales enmeshed in drift nets"

touch /tʌtʃ/

detached

/dɪ'tætʃt/

adjective

1.

separate or disconnected.

spate /speɪt/

a large number of similar things coming in quick succession.

"a spate of attacks on holidaymakers"

plaintive

/'pleɪntɪv/

adjective

sounding sad and mournful.

"a plaintive cry"

guinea

/'ɡɪni/

guinea pig

/'ɡɪn.i ,pɪɡ/

alcohol

/'alkəhɒl/

Dutch courage, also known as pot-valiance or liquid courage, refers to courage gained from intoxication with alcohol.

loopy

/'luːpi/

adjective

1.

INFORMAL

mad or silly.

"a loopy grin"

jerry-rigged /'dʒeri ,rɪɡd/

organised or constructed in a crude or improvised manner

a jerry-rigged plan

a jerry-rigged heating system

Yankee/'janʃki/

rep /rep/

a single short physical exercise that is performed multiple times without a break (short for repetition)

I did 20 reps of each exercise.

lush /lʌʃ/

a heavy drinker, especially a habitual one.

"a lush who doesn't make very much sense most of the time"

transpire

/trɑːnˈspɪə/

verb

1.

(of a secret or something unknown) come to be known; be revealed.

"it transpired that millions of dollars of debt had been hidden in a complex web of transactions"

sit out

phrasal verb of sit

not take part in a particular event or activity.

"he had to sit out Sheffield Wednesday's cup game"

wait without moving or taking action until a particular unwelcome situation or process is over.

"most of the workers seem to be sitting the crisis out, waiting to see what will happen"

If something dries off or if you dry it off, the moisture on its surface disappears or is removed.

They are then scrubbed with clean water and left to dry off for an hour or two in a warm room. [VERB PARTICLE]

When the bath water started to cool I got out, dried myself off, and dressed.

gnat

/nat/

noun

a small two-winged fly that resembles a mosquito. Gnats include both biting and non-biting forms, and they typically form large swarms.

ration

/'raʃn/

noun

a fixed amount of a commodity officially allowed to each person during a time of shortage, as in wartime.

"1947 saw the bread ration reduced"

douse /daʊs/

pour a liquid over; drench.

"he doused the car with petrol and set it on fire"

photogenic

/ˌfəʊtəˈdʒɛnɪk, ˌfəʊtəˈdʒiːnɪk/

adjective

1.

(especially of a person) looking attractive in photographs or on film.

"a photogenic child"

politics

/ˈpɒlɪtɪks/

get to

to have an opportunity to do something:

I never get to see her now that she's moved to California.

I'd like to get to know you better – could we have dinner sometime?

I heard you play a musical instrument.

tank top (n.)

"sleeveless upper garment," similar to the top of a swimsuit, 1968, from tank suit "one-piece bathing costume" (1920s), so called because it was worn in a swimming tank (n.1), i.e. pool.

There's nothing to stop you from accepting the offer.

You can't stop people from saying what they think.

You can't stop people saying what they think.

We are Aquarius.

heel /hi:l/

(of a dog) follow closely behind its owner.

"these dogs are born with the instinctive urge to heel"

ease up on

: to treat (someone) in a less harsh or demanding way

The students might respond better if the teacher eased up on them a little.

: to apply less pressure to (something)

ease up on the accelerator

: to do or use less of (something)

My doctor told me I should ease up on fatty foods

penguin

/ˈpɛŋɡwɪn/

acumen

/ˈækjʊmən/

noun

the ability to make good judgements and take quick decisions.

"she hides a shrewd business acumen"

in for a penny, in for a pound

phrase of penny

used to express someone's intention to see an undertaking through, however much time, effort, or money this entails.

"oh hell, I thought, in for a penny, in for a pound, and scrubbed the place from top to bottom"

gonna /'gənə/

Hold up! If you back out/up like that, you might hit the pole! play icon

Wait a sec! If you reverse like that, you might run into the pole!

instructor always gets mad at me because I struggle with parking in reverse

I always back my car in when I park somewhere.

I always try to back into a parking spot.

If you honk the horn of a vehicle or if the horn honks, you make the horn produce a short loud sound.

Drivers honked their horns in solidarity with the peace marchers.

boon /bu:n/

a thing that is helpful or beneficial.

"the route will be a boon to many travellers"

It's a stirring tale of heroic deeds.

a brave/charitable deed

She tried to do a good deed every day.

They will be punished for their evil deeds.

clickbait

[uncountable] (informal, disapproving)

material put on the internet in order to attract attention and encourage visitors to click on a link to a particular web page

The website says it aims to reduce the number of clickbait headlines.

tromp /trɒmp/

verb INFORMAL • NORTH AMERICAN

walk heavily; trudge.

"she tromped across the yard"

tread or stamp on.

"Larry took a step forward and tromped on his wrist"

So the phrase "to the stars" simply invokes an inspirational notion of accomplishing some hard-to-reach goal.

blow it

slang To ruin, mishandle, or fail to capitalize on an opportunity.

Bob was being considered for the promotion, but he blew it when he came in late to work each day this week.

Things were going well with Steve, but I blew it by smothering him.

sink in

: to become completely known, felt, or understood

I had to tell him what to do over and over before it finally sank in.

The fact that she's left me still hasn't really sunk in.

The police are here.

play possum

idiom

Add to word list

to pretend to be dead or sleeping so that someone will not annoy or attack you:

I don't think he's really asleep. He's playing possum.

monger

/ˈmʌŋɡə/

combining form

denoting a dealer or trader in a specified commodity.

"fishmonger"

denoting a person who promotes a specified activity, situation, or feeling, especially one that is undesirable or discreditable.

"warmonger"

batter2

/ˈbatə/

noun

noun: batter; plural noun: batters

1.

a semi-liquid mixture of flour, egg, and milk or water, used for making pancakes or for coating food before frying.

"pancake batter"

divot

/ˈdɪvət/

noun

1.

a piece of turf cut out of the ground by a golf club in making a stroke or by a sports player's boot.

"he hit a wedge shot and carved a hefty divot out of the fairway"

Edinburgh (/ˈɛdɪnbərə/ ⓘ[9][10][11] Scots: [ˈɛdɪnbʌrə]

by the metre

by far
phrase of far
by a great amount.
"this was by far the largest city in the area"

pièce de résistance
/piːˌɛs də ʁiˈzistɑːs, piːˌɛs də ʁeˈzistɑːs, piːˌɛs də ˌʁeziˈstɑːs/
noun
(especially with reference to creative work) the most important or remarkable feature.
"the pièce de résistance of the meal was flaming ice cream"

soft serve
soft-serve ice cream

The words "angry", "popular" and "gentle" must be followed by "with", not "to".

Just think of those expression as idiomatic.

cassette
/kəˈsɛt/
noun
a sealed plastic unit containing a length of audio tape, videotape, film, etc. wound on a pair of spools, for insertion into a recorder, playback device, or other machine.

fraught
/frɔːt/
adjective
1.
(of a situation or course of action) filled with or likely to result in (something undesirable).
"marketing any new product is fraught with danger"

exhort
/ɪgˈzɔːt, ɛgˈzɔːt/
verb
strongly encourage or urge (someone) to do something.
"I exhorted her to be a good child"

mellow
/ˈmɛləʊ/
adjective
1.
(especially of a sound, flavour, or colour) pleasantly smooth or soft; free from harshness.
"she was hypnotized by the mellow tone of his voice"

bowel
/ˈbaʊ(ə)l/
noun
the part of the alimentary canal below the stomach; the intestine.

"he felt his bowels loosen"

bmed

BM stands for Bad Manners.

lapis lazuli

/ˌlɑːpɪs ˈlɑːzjʊliː, ˌlɑːpɪs ˈlɑːzjʊliː/

food for thought

phrase of food

something that warrants serious consideration.

"his study certainly provides food for thought"

conceited

/kənˈsiːtɪd/

adjective

excessively proud of oneself; vain.

"Fred's so conceited he'd never believe anyone would refuse him"

ecstatic

/ɪkˈstætɪk, ɛkˈstætɪk/

know someone by name

to have heard the name of a person but not seen or talked to them:

I know him by name, but I don't think I've ever met him.

His election campaign has only just got up and running, so most voters don't know him by name yet.

She didn't recognize me because she only knew me by name.

A lot of people in the crowd knew him by name and called out to him.

She was known only by name to most of the people invited.

ewe /juː/

noun

a female sheep.

entourage

/ˈɒntʊrɑːʒ, ˈɒtʊrɑːʒ/

noun

a group of people attending or surrounding an important person.

"an entourage of loyal courtiers"

flick

/flɪk/

a cinema film.

"a Hollywood action flick"

all for

phrase of all
INFORMAL
strongly in favour of.
"I was all for tolerance"

Oedipus (UK: /'i:dɪpəs/, also US: /'ɛdə-/; Greek: Οἰδίπους "swollen foot") was a mythical Greek king of Thebes.

actuary
/'æktʃʊəri/
noun
plural noun: actuaries
a person who compiles and analyses statistics and uses them to calculate insurance risks and premiums.

plough /plaʊ/
To have sex with someone. Often used as a verb. Often used by males referring to having sex with a female.
"I ploughed her field!"

sham /ʃam/

a thing that is not what it is purported to be.
"our current free health service is a sham"

dividend /'dɪvɪdɛnd, 'dɪvɪd(ə)nd/
a sum of money paid regularly (typically annually) by a company to its shareholders out of its profits (or reserves).

on a diet

keto diet

cutaway
/'kʌtəweɪ/
noun

1.
a coat or jacket with the front cut away below the waist.
"a cutaway coat"
2.
a diagram or drawing with some external parts left out to reveal the interior.
"a cutaway diagram of the magnetosphere"
a shot or scene in a film which is of a different subject from those to which it is joined in editing.
"a quick cutaway to the forest and back"

locket /'lɒkɪt/

a small ornamental case, typically made of gold or silver, worn round a person's neck on a chain and used to hold things of sentimental value, such as a photograph or lock of hair.

Poland noun

/ˈpəʊlənd/

pollen noun

/ˈpɒlən/

live down

phrasal verb of live

succeed in making others forget something embarrassing that has happened.

"I'd never live it down if Lily got wind of this"

christen /ˈkrɪsən/

1 to officially give a child its name at a Christian religious ceremony → baptize

She was christened Sarah.

2 to give something or someone a name

His fans christened him the king of rock.

The new plane has been christened the Hawk.

3 informal to use something for the first time

We haven't christened the new garden chairs yet.

branch

/brɑːn(t)/

noun

a part of a tree which grows out from the trunk or from a bough.

"Sophie was in the branches of a tree eating an apple"

blanch /blɑːn(t)/

make white or pale by extracting colour.

"the cold light blanched her face"

flinch or grow pale from shock, fear, or a similar emotion.

"he visibly blanched at this reminder of mortality"

rail²

/reɪl/

complain or protest strongly and persistently about.

"he railed at human fickleness"

To me, "off" in that phrase doesn't imply anything other than distance from her family home. If she's "gone off on her own", she has moved somewhere and has begun living independently.

Do not say that you are 'in hurry'. Say that you are in a hurry.

diaphanous

/dʌɪ'əfənəs/

adjective

(especially of fabric) light, delicate, and translucent.

"a diaphanous dress of pale gold"

in utero

/ɪn 'ju:t(ə)rəʊ/

adverb

in a woman's uterus.

"this damage may occur in utero"

Back in my day in the 1960s and '70s, the word "television" was still largely considered a non-count singular noun while the actual appliance itself was television set(s)/TV set(s).

Those who belong to my generation should still be able to recall "television/TV sets" were the norm from the lips of both U.S. and British TV announcers.

Practically the only thing that's countable was the abbreviated forms TV (singular) and TVs (plural) — and you can check the usage in many issues of the TV Guide and/or TV Times or the gossip magazines.

baluster

/'baləstə/

noun

a short decorative pillar forming part of a series supporting a rail or coping.

"Ice cream" can certainly be either uncountable and countable.

Your scenario of someone holding two ice creams is a good example of a countable use. In each hand, the person has a cone with a scoop of ice-cream on the top.

In automobile parlance, Tri-Five refers to the 1955, 1956 and 1957 Chevrolet automobiles, in particular, the 150, 210, Bel Air, and Nomad.

staff /stɑ:f/

go back in time

1. Literally, to physically return to an earlier point in time.

I wish I could go back in time to when dinosaurs roamed the Earth—how cool would that be?

If I could go back in time, I'd manage my finances better so that I wouldn't be declaring bankruptcy now.

2. To discuss or think about past events or memories.

It was lovely finding our old photo albums and going back in time for a few hours.

Today, kids, we're going back in time and discussing the Great Depression.

3. To visit some place or interact with something that is very outdated and thus evocative of an earlier time period.

Going to Grandma's house is like going back in time—shag carpeting, wood panelling, basically a whole lot of yikes.

Let's play on the pull-up bars.

I can't do a back hip circle.

backward flip

Her house is at the top of a hill.

Walk up the slope and turn right.

This is a very hilly area.

flag /flag/

become tired or less enthusiastic or dynamic.

"if you begin to flag, there is an excellent cafe to revive you"

enmity /'ɛnmɪti/

a state or feeling of active opposition or hostility.

"decades of enmity between the two countries"

lament

/lə'mɛnt/

noun

1.

a passionate expression of grief or sorrow.

"his mother's night-long laments for his father"

lamented

/lə'mɛntɪd/

adjective

a conventional way of describing someone who has died or something that has ceased to exist.

"the late and much lamented Leonard Bernstein"

reacquaint

/,ri:ə'kweɪnt/

verb

past tense: reacquainted; past participle: reacquainted

make (someone) acquainted or familiar with someone or something again.

"he was able to reacquaint himself with an old school chum"

Apartments are places where a lot of different people live. Studs are concrete pillars that are in the walls to provide stability.

bummed out

annoyed, upset, or disappointed.

"she was really bummed out that she never got to meet you"

mayhap
/'methap/
adverbARCHAIC
perhaps; possibly.

breech /bri:tʃ/
relating to or denoting presentation of a foetus in which the buttocks, rump, or legs are nearest the cervix and emerge first at birth.
"breech presentation occurs in up to 3 percent of pregnancies at term"

When you say that you can't get over something, you mean that you are very surprised by it:
I can't get over the way he behaved at your party - it was appalling!

"I can't get over it" is an idiomatic expression which means someone is having difficulty moving past or forgetting something, usually because it has left a strong impression or emotional impact. Here are examples:

1. Example of Surprise:

- Person A: "Did you see the surprise party they organized for you?"

- Person B: "Yes, I can't get over it! I had no idea."

2. Example of a Beautiful Scene:

- After witnessing a breathtaking sunset

- "I can't get over how stunning it was. The colors were incredible."

3. Example of a Sad Event:

- After a loss or breakup

- "I just can't get over it. It's been tough to move on."

something can/can't wait
if something can wait, it is not very urgent. If something can't wait, it is very urgent
Go home. The report can wait till tomorrow.

in good taste
idiom
: proper and acceptable
Some people felt that her behavior wasn't in good taste.

gaily

/ˈgeɪli/

adverb

1.

in a cheerful or light-hearted way.

"he waved gaily to the crowd"

peace /pi:s/

noun

1.

freedom from disturbance; tranquillity.

"he just wanted to drink a few beers in peace"

all over

/ˌɔ:l 'əʊvə/

phrase of all

1.

completely finished.

"it's all over between us"

2.

INFORMAL

everywhere.

"there were bodies all over"

LASIK

/ˈleɪzɪk/

noun

corrective eye surgery in which a flap of the corneal surface is raised and a thin layer of underlying tissue is removed using a laser.

over and over

phrase of over

again and again.

"doing the same thing over and over again"

leisure

/ˈleɪʒə/

candidate

/ˈkændɪdɪt, 'kændɪdət/

pizza

/ˈpi:tsə/

behave in a polite way [manner, fashion]

aim to (do something)

To intend, plan, or mean to do something.

I didn't aim to offend him, but judging by the look on his face, I must have.

I'm aiming to win Holly's heart—she is just the prettiest girl in the whole town.

I aim to be the best customer service representative I can be.

come over somebody [no passive]

to affect someone

A feeling of dizziness came over her.

I can't think what came over me (= I do not know what caused me to behave in that way).

3. To affect one, as of an affliction of some kind.

I left the party early because nausea came over me.

My dog is usually very docile, so I'm not sure what came over him when he started barking like crazy.

4. To change one's position or view on something.

He'll never come over to our side now that you've insulted him!

What caused you to come over to our way of thinking?

I got a kick out of seeing him lose.

(彼が負けるのを見て快感を覚えた)

She got a kick out of him getting in trouble.

(彼女は彼が怒られたのを見て楽しんでた)

He gets a kick out of being mean.

I used up all my paid holidays.

come in hot

To enter the scene of conflict quickly and aggressively.

The chopper came in hot, with guns blazing.

(by extension) To approach a situation in a state of anger and tension.

I came in hot after a hard day at work and said some things I didn't mean.

crook

/krʊk/

1.

the hooked staff of a shepherd.

"seizing his crook from behind the door, he set off to call his dogs"

2.

INFORMAL

a person who is dishonest or a criminal.

"the man's a crook, he's not to be trusted"

posture /'pɒstʃə/

mob /mɒb/

the Mafia or a similar criminal organisation.

"he gambled at a time when the Mob ran gaming"

hold out on someone

to refuse to give help or information to someone:

Don't hold out on me - I need to know who did it.

privy

/ˈprɪvi/

adjective

1.

sharing in the knowledge of (something secret or private).

"he was no longer privy to her innermost thoughts"