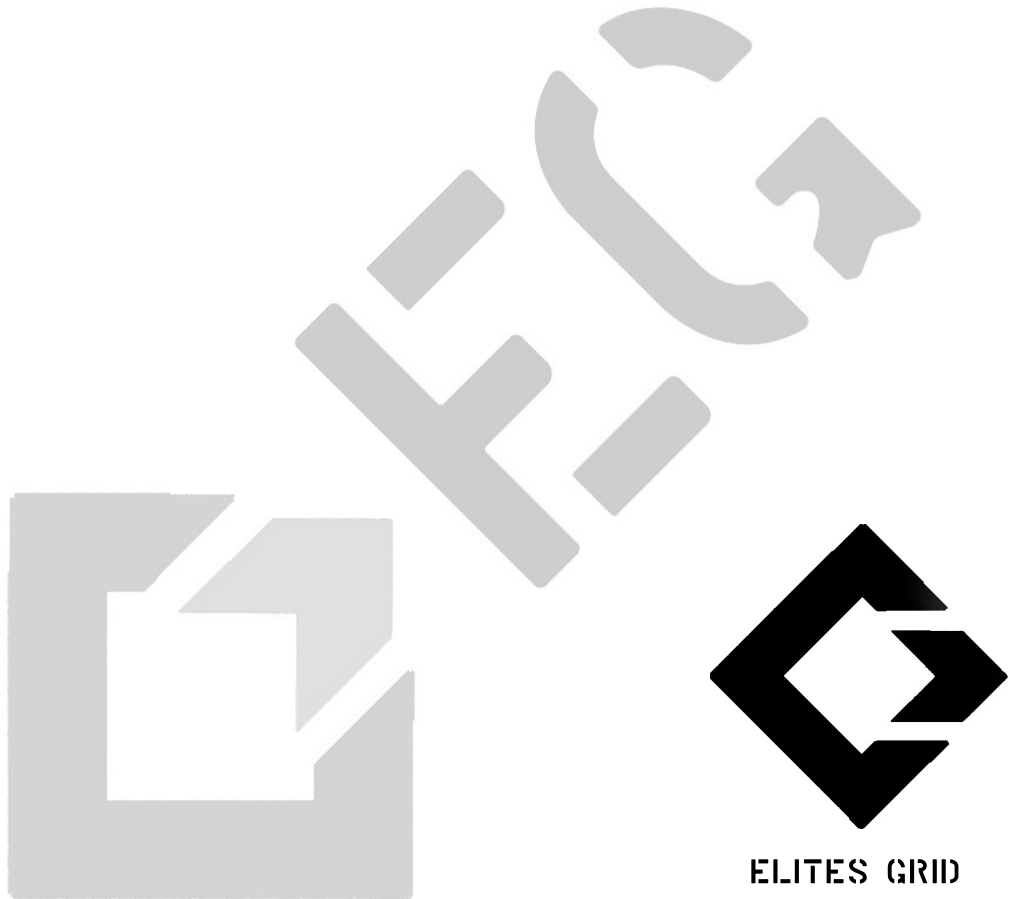


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Idiom	Meaning
A Blessing In Disguise:	Something good that isn't recognized at first.
A Chip On Your Shoulder:	Being upset for something that happened in the past.
A Dime A Dozen:	Anything that is common and easy to get.
A Doubting Thomas:	A skeptic who needs physical or personal evidence in order to believe something.
A Drop in the Bucket:	A very small part of something big or whole.
A Fool And His Money Are Easily Parted:	It's easy for a foolish person to lose his/her money.
A House Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand:	Everyone involved must unify and function together or it will not work out.
A Leopard Can't Change His Spots:	You cannot change who you are.
A Penny Saved Is A Penny Earned:	By not spending money, you are saving money (little by little).
A Picture Paints a Thousand Words:	A visual presentation is far more descriptive than words.
A Piece of Cake:	A task that can be accomplished very easily.
Back Seat Driver:	People who criticize from the sidelines, much like someone giving unwanted advice from the back seat of a vehicle to the driver.
Back To Square One:	Having to start all over again.
Back To The Drawing Board:	When an attempt fails and it's time to start all over.
Baker's Dozen:	Thirteen.
Barking Up The Wrong Tree:	A mistake made in something you are trying to achieve.
Beat A Dead Horse:	To force an issue that has already ended.
Beating Around The Bush:	Avoiding the main topic. Not speaking directly about the issue.
Bend Over Backwards:	Do whatever it takes to help. Willing to do anything.
Between A Rock And A Hard Place:	Stuck between two very bad options.
Bite Off More Than You Can Chew:	To take on a task that is way to big.
Bite Your Tongue:	To avoid talking.
Blood Is Thicker Than Water:	The family bond is closer than anything else.
Blue Moon:	A rare event or occurrence.
Buy A Lemon:	To purchase a vehicle that constantly gives problems or stops running after you drive it.
Can't Cut The Mustard :	Someone who isn't adequate enough to compete or participate.

Cast Iron Stomach:	Someone who has no problems, complications or ill effects with eating anything or drinking anything.
Charley Horse:	Stiffness in the leg / A leg cramp.
Chew someone out:	Verbally scold someone.
Chip on his Shoulder:	Angry today about something that occurred in the past.
Chow Down:	To eat.
Close but no Cigar:	To be very near and almost accomplish a goal, but fall short.
Cock and Bull Story:	An unbelievable tale.
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Come Hell Or High Water:	Any difficult situation or obstacle.
Crack Someone Up:	To make someone laugh.
Cross Your Fingers:	To hope that something happens the way you want it to.
Cry Over Spilt Milk:	When you complain about a loss from the past.
Cry Wolf:	Intentionally raise a false alarm.
Cup Of Joe:	A cup of coffee.
Curiosity Killed The Cat:	Being Inquisitive can lead you into a dangerous situation.
Cut to the Chase:	Leave out all the unnecessary details and just get to the point.
D oozy:	Something outstanding.
Dark Horse:	One who was previously unknown and is now prominent
Dead Ringer:	100% identical. A duplicate.
Devil's Advocate:	Someone who takes a position for the sake of argument without believing in that particular side of the argument. It can also mean one who presents a counter argument for a position they do believe in, to another debater.
Dog Days of Summer:	The hottest days of the summer season.
Don't count your chickens before they hatch:	Don't rely on it until your sure of it.
Don't Look A Gift Horse In The Mouth:	When someone gives you a gift, don't be ungrateful.
Don't Put All Your Eggs In One Basket:	Do not put all your resources in one possibility.
Down To The Wire:	Something that ends at the last minute or last few seconds
Drink like a fish:	To drink very heavily.
Drive someone up the wall:	To irritate and/or annoy very much.
Dropping Like Flies:	A large number of people either falling ill or dying.
Dry Run:	Rehearsal.
Eighty Six:	A certain item is no longer available. Or this idiom can also mean, to throw away.
Elvis has left the building:	The show has come to an end. It's all over.
Ethnic Cleansing:	Killing of a certain ethnic or religious group on a massive scale.
Every Cloud Has A Silver Lining:	Be optimistic, even difficult times will lead to better days.

Everything But The Kitchen Sink:	Almost everything and anything has been included.
Excuse my French:	Please forgive me for cussing.
Feeding Frenzy:	An aggressive attack on someone by a group.
Field Day:	An enjoyable day or circumstance.
Finding Your Feet:	To become more comfortable in whatever you are doing.
Finger licking' good:	A very tasty food or meal.
Fixed In Your Ways:	Not willing or wanting to change from your normal way of doing something.
Flash In The Pan:	Something that shows potential or looks promising in the beginning but fails to deliver anything in the end.
Flea Market:	A swap meet. A place where people gather to buy and sell inexpensive goods.
Flesh and Blood:	This idiom can mean living material of which people are made of, or it can refer to someone's family.
Flip The Bird:	To raise your middle finger at someone.
Foam at the Mouth:	To be enraged and show it.
Fools' Gold:	Iron pyrites, a worthless rock that resembles real gold.
French Kiss:	An open mouth kiss where tongues touch.
From Rags To Riches:	To go from being very poor to being very wealthy.
Fuddy-duddy:	An old-fashioned and foolish type of person.
Full Monty:	This idiom can mean either, "the whole thing" or "completely nude".
Funny Farm:	A mental institutional facility.
Get Down to Brass Tacks:	To become serious about something.
Get Over It:	To move beyond something that is bothering you.
Get Up On The Wrong Side Of The Bed:	Someone who is having a horrible day.
Get Your Walking Papers:	Get fired from a job.
Give Him The Slip:	To get away from. To escape.
Go Down Like A Lead Balloon:	To be received badly by an audience.
Go For Broke:	To gamble everything you have.
Go Out On A Limb:	Put yourself in a tough position in order to support someone/something.
Go The Extra Mile:	Going above and beyond whatever is required for the task at hand.
Good Samaritan:	Someone who helps others when they are in need, with no discussion for compensation, and no thought of a reward.
Graveyard Shift:	Working hours from about 12:00 am to 8:00 am. The time of the day when most other people are sleeping.
Great Minds Think Alike:	Intelligent people think like each other.
Gut Feeling:	A personal intuition you get, especially when you feel that something may not be right.
Haste Makes Waste:	Quickly doing things results in a poor ending.

Hat Trick:	When one player scores three goals in the same hockey game. This idiom can also mean three scores in any other sport, such as 3 home-runs, 3 touchdowns, 3 soccer goals, etc.
Have an Axe to Grind:	To have a dispute with someone.
He Lost His Head:	Angry and overcome by emotions.
Head Over Heels:	Very excited and/or joyful, especially when in love.
Hell in a Hand basket:	Deteriorating and headed for complete disaster.
High Five:	Slapping palms above each other's heads as celebration gesture.
High on the Hog:	Living in Luxury.
Hit The Books:	To study, especially for a test or exam.
Hit The Hay:	Go to bed or go to sleep.
Hit The Nail on the Head:	Do something exactly right or say something exactly right.
Hit The Sack:	Go to bed or go to sleep.
Icing On The Cake:	When you already have it good and get something on top of what you already have.
Idle Hands Are The Devil's Tools:	You are more likely to get in trouble if you have nothing to do.
If It's Not One Thing, It's Another:	When one thing goes wrong, then another, and another...
In Like Flynn:	To be easily successful, especially when sexual or romantic.
In The Bag:	To have something secured.
In The Buff:	Nude.
In The Heat Of The Moment:	Overwhelmed by what is happening in the moment.
In Your Face:	An aggressive and bold confrontation.
It Takes Two To Tango:	A two person conflict where both people are at fault.
It's A Small World:	You frequently see the same people in different places.
Its Anyone's Call:	A competition where the outcome is difficult to judge or predict.
Ivy League:	Since 1954 the Ivy League has been the following universities: Columbia, Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, Yale, Pennsylvania, Princeton, and Harvard.
Jaywalk:	Crossing the street (from the middle) without using the crosswalk.
Joshing Me:	Tricking me.
Keep An Eye On Him:	You should carefully watch him.
Keep body and soul together:	To earn a sufficient amount of money in order to keep yourself alive.
Keep your chin up:	To remain joyful in a tough situation.
Kick The Bucket:	Die.
Kitty-corner:	Diagonally across. Sometimes called Catty-Corner as well.
Knee Jerk Reaction:	A quick and automatic response.
Knock On Wood:	Knuckle tapping on wood in order to avoid some bad luck.
Know the Ropes:	To understand the details.
Last but not least:	An introduction phrase to let the audience know that the last person mentioned is no less important than those introduced before him/her.

Lend Me Your Ear:	To politely ask for someone's full attention.
Let Bygones Be Bygones:	To forget about a disagreement or argument.
Let Sleeping Dogs Lie:	To avoid restarting a conflict.
Let The Cat Out Of The Bag:	To share a secret that wasn't supposed to be shared.
Level playing field:	A fair competition where no side has an advantage.
Like a chicken with its head cut off:	To act in a frenzied manner.
Liquor someone up:	To get someone drunk.
Long in the Tooth:	Old people (or horses).
Loose Cannon:	Someone who is unpredictable and can cause damage if not kept in check.
Make No Bones About:	To state a fact so there are no doubts or objections
Method To My Madness:	Strange or crazy actions that appear meaningless but in the end are done for a good reason.
Mum's the word:	To keep quiet. To say nothing.
Mumbo Jumbo:	Nonsense or meaningless speech.
Hit The Nail On The Head	1. To describe exactly what is causing a situation or problem; 2. To do exactly the right thing; 3. To do something in the most effective and efficient way; 4. To say exactly the right thing or to find the exact answer; 5. To be accurate or correct about something. Often abbreviated as HTNOTH all over the web
A bee in one's bonnet	Be obsessed with something
A Bird In The Hand Is Worth Two In The Bush:	Having something that is certain is much better than taking a risk for more, because chances are you might lose everything.
A bitter pill	A situation or information that is unpleasant but must be accepted.
A bolt from the blue	Unexpected
A close-fisted man	A miser
A dime a dozen	Anything that is common, inexpensive, and easy to get or available anywhere.
A flash in the pan	A Success that is not repeated
A rainy day	A time of need
A square peg in a round hole	an unusual individualist who could not fit into his niche in his/her society
A thorn in the side	Perpetual source of trouble
A wild goose chase	An absurdly hopeless enterprise
Ace in the hole	A hidden or secret strength, or unrevealed advantage.
Achilles' heel	A metaphor for a fatal weakness in spite of overall strength.
Actions speak louder than words	People's intentions can be judged better by what they do than by what they say.
Add insult to injury	To further a loss with sarcasm or indignity; to worsen an unfavorable situation.
All and sundry	Everyone without exception

All at sea	Confused
All ears	Listening intently; fully focused or awaiting an explanation.
All thumbs	Clumsy
All thumbs	Clumsy, awkward.
Alma Mater	Institution where i got my education
An arm and a leg	Very expensive or costly. A large amount of money.
Apple of discord	Anything causing trouble, discord, or jealousy.
Arm chair theory	Impracticable theory
At loggerheads	Disagreeing on everything
At one's wits end	Desperate
At the drop of a hat	Without any hesitation; instantly.
At wit's End	Not knowing What to do
Back me	Support
Back to the drawing board	When an attempt fails, and it's time to start planning all over again.
Ball is in your court	It is up to you to make the next decision or step.
Barking up the wrong tree	Looking in the wrong place.
Basket case	One made powerless or ineffective, as by nerves, panic, or stress.
Beat a dead horse	To uselessly dwell on a subject far beyond its point of resolution.
Beat around the bush	To treat a topic, but omit its main points, often intentionally or to delay or avoid talking about something difficult or unpleasant.
Bed of roses	A rich person. A very rich family.
Best of both worlds	A situation wherein someone has the privilege of enjoying two different opportunities.
Bite off more than one can chew	To take on more responsibility than one can manage.
Bite the bullet	To endure a painful or unpleasant situation that is unavoidable.
Bite the dust	Euphemism for dying or death.
Break a leg	A saying from the theatre that means "good luck".
Burn the midnight oil	To work late into the night, alluding to the time before electric lighting.
Bust one's chops	To say things intended to harass.
By fits and starts	Irregularly
By the seat of one's pants	To achieve through instinct or do something without advance preparation.
By the skin of one's teeth	Narrowly; barely. Usually used in regard to a narrow escape from a disaster.
Call it a day	To declare the end of a task.
Cat nap	A nap.
Chalk up	To attribute something to a particular cause.
Champ at the bit	To show impatience or frustration when delayed.
Chew the fat	To chat idly or generally waste time talking.
Chink in one's armor	An area of vulnerability

Chip of the old block	Very similar to his father
Clam up	To become silent; to stop talking.
Cold shoulder	To display aloofness and disdain.
Couch potato	A lazy person.
Crocodile tears	Fake tears or drama tears.(fake cry)
Cut a rug	To dance
Cut the cheese	To fart. Also cut the mustard
Cut the mustard	To perform well; to meet expectations.
Daft as a brush	Really silly
Don't count chickens before they hatch	Don't make plans for something that may not happen; alternatively, don't make an assumption about something that does not have a definitively predetermined outcome.
Don't give up your day job	A phrase implying that one is not proficient at performing a particular task and that they should not try to perform the task professionally
Don't have a cow	Don't overreact.
Drop a dime	Make a telephone call; to be an informant.
Elephant in the room	An obvious, pressing issue left unaddressed due to its sensitive nature.
Every cloud has a silver lining	Be optimistic; every bad situation has some good aspect to it.
Fit as a fiddle	In good physical health.
For a song	Almost free. Very cheap.
From A to Z	Covering a complete range; comprehensively.
From scratch / to make from scratch	Make from original ingredients; start from the beginning with no prior preparation
Get bent out of shape	To take offense; to get worked up, aggravated, or annoyed
Go Dutch	Share the cost of something, especially a meal, equally.
Go for a Jugular	attack all out
Grasp the nettle	To tackle a difficulty boldly.
grass is always greener on the other side	A phrase implying that a person is never satisfied with their current situation; they think others have it better.
Have a blast	To have a good time or to enjoy oneself.
Have an axe to grind	Have a selfish purpose
Have eyes in the back of one's head	Someone can perceive things and events that are outside of their field of vision.
Heard it through the grapevine	You learned something through means of a rumor.
Hit the road	To leave.
Hit the sack	To go to bed to sleep.
I bet	When you understand why someone has a particular opinion or feels a particular way; "of course", "indeed". May also be used sarcastically.

Ignorance is bliss	Life is good when you're naive to the hardships happening all around
In the doldrums	Depressing
In the pink of condition	In a weak condition
It takes two to tango	A particular action or communication requires more than one person.
Jump ship	Leave a job, organization, or activity suddenly.
Keep your hair on	Think forcefully
Kept a level ahead	Was sensible
Kick the bucket	Euphemism for dying or death.
Kill two birds with one stone	To accomplish two different tasks at the same time and/or with a single action.
Let the cat out of the bag	To reveal a secret.
Lock Stock and Barrel	Completely
Maiden Speech	First time delivered speech
Make Believe	Pretense
Make Both ends meet	To expend in his/her own limit as per income
Man Of iron	Who has strong will power
Man of Straw	A very weak person
Man Of Word	One who is true to his words
Method to my madness	Despite someone's random approach, there is actually some structure to it.
Midas Touch	Who has extraordinary power to make everything profitable
Mother Wit	Common sense
Move Heaven and earth	Try one's best to achieve something in life
Narrow escape	Try to escape from one's duty with little margin
Nig-Nag	Poking that Frustrate someone
No Horse in this race	No vested interest in the outcome of a particular contest or debate
No love lost	Who has no love in his/her life
Nook and corner	At each and every place
Off one's rocker	Crazy, demented, out of one's mind, in a confused or befuddled state of mind, senile.
Off one's trolley	Crazy, demented, out of one's mind, in a confused or befuddled state of mind, senile.
Off the hook	To escape a situation of responsibility, obligation, or (less frequently) danger.
Oily tongue	Language try to please someone
On and On	Continue on same thing or process
On the cards	Probable
Once in a blue moon	Something that occurs very rarely.
Open Question	Which has more solutions
Pandora's box	A box or source full of difficulties /Trouble
Past Master	An Expert in one's own subject

Piece of cake	A job, task or other activity that is pleasant – or, by extension, easy or simple.
Piss in one's cornflakes	To annoy, upset, or disappoint through spiteful or irresponsible behavior.
Play Ducks and Drakes	To Waste money on un-usable articles
Poison someone's ears	Ask /speak someone against a person
Pop one's clogs	Euphemism for dying or death.
Preaching to the choir	To present a side of a discussion or argument to someone who already agrees with it; essentially, wasting your time.
Pros and cons	For and against
Pull somebody's leg	To tease or to joke by telling a lie.
Pulling one's leg	To make fun of others
Pushing up daisies	Euphemism for dying or death.
Put the cat among the pigeons	To create a disturbance and cause trouble.
Putting the cat among the pigeons	Wrong statement or words which are unpleasant to number of persons
Quarrels with one's Butter and Bread	Fighting with Management where we are earning from.
Rain Like Cats and Dogs	A heavy raining
Raining cats and dogs	Raining really strong or hard.
Read B/w the two lines	Capture a hidden word
Red handed	Man caught while committing a crime
Red letter day	Happy Occasion
Red Tapism	Official formalities
Right as rain	Needed, appropriate, essential, or hoped-for and has come to mean perfect, well, absolutely right.
Rise with the lark	Very early
Royal Road	Easy way
Save one's skin	Save oneself
screw the pooch	To screw up; to fail in dramatic and ignominious fashion.
See red	Very angry
Shoot the breeze	To chat idly or generally waste time talking.
Shooting fish in a barrel	Frivolously performing a simple task.
Shoulder to Shoulder	Very fast friend or relative in difficult time
Sine die	Indefinitely
Sleep with the fishes	Euphemism for dying or death.
Slip of tongue	Spoken without understanding/ without intention
Smell a rat	To suspect
Snake in grass	Secret enemy
Spill the beans	Reveal someone's secret.
Spin one's wheels	Expel much effort for little or no gain.

Split the whistle	To arrive just on time.
Stand on one's own legs	Independent
Steal a march	Get an advantage by secret means
Stone's throw	Very near
Struck Several Patches	Had many professional difficulties
Sunny smile	Very happy.
Swan Song	The last ceremony song
Sword of Damocles	An imminent danger
Take the biscuit	To be particularly bad, objectionable, or egregious.
Take the cake	To be especially good or outstanding.
Take To one's heels	To escape or run away
Take with a grain of salt	To not take what someone says too seriously; to treat someone's words with a degree of skepticism.
Talk Big	To Boast
Think twice	Think again before doing
Through thick and thin	In both good and bad times.
Throw cold water Upon	Discourage someone
Throw under the bus	To betray or sacrifice someone for selfish reasons.
Thumb one's nose	To express scorn or to disregard.
Tie one on	To get drunk.
To back bite	To talk behind the back
To be hard up	To be short of money
To be up to the eyes	Be very busy
To burn one's boat	To take an irreversible decision
To burn the candle at both ends	To waste money lavishly
To catch a tartar	To fight a strong enemy
To cry wolf	To give false alarm
To die in harness	To die while still working or active
To do up	To make tidy
To eat humble pie	To apologize
To feather one's nest	To make money through unfair means
To flog a dead horse	To waste energy on some already rejected activity
To get the sack	To get dismissed from the job
To give someone apple pie	To flatter someone
To have a ball at one's feet	Have the power to decide something
To have a card up one's sleeves	To have secret plan in reserve
To have two strings to one bow	To have more than one alternative
To leave one in the lurch	To desert one in times of difficulty
To spilt hairs	To make useless distinctions in arguments

To steal someone's thunder	To take credit for something someone else did.
To take the wind out of one's sails	To deprive one's argument of all force
To tell tales out of school	Reveal confidential matters
To tread on eggs	To walk carefully
Tooth and Nail	Very hardly/Violently
Trip the light fantastic	To dance
Under the weather	Feel sick or poorly
Up and Doing	Working gently in the work
Up and Down	Good and Bad time
Uphill task	Very difficult task
Wet behind the ears	Cunning
Wet Blanket	Spoils the enjoyment
White elephant	Very expensive but of no use
Whole nine yards	Everything. All of it.
Wild goose chase	A frustrating or lengthy undertaking that accomplishes little.
Word for Word	Reply in same manner
X Marks the spot	When someone finds something they have been looking for.
You bet	Equivalent of saying "that's for sure" or "of course". May also be used sarcastically.
You can say that again	That is very true; <i>expression of wholehearted agreement</i>

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Idiom	Related Word	Example
able	+ infinitive	Tom is <u>able</u> to play the guitar with his toes
ability	to	Donkeys have the <u>ability</u> to communicate with one another via sonar
accede	to	Management was not willing to <u>accede</u> to labor's initial demands
access	to	Due to patient privacy acts, <u>access</u> to medical records requires explicit consent by the patient
acclaimed	as	Martha Graham was <u>acclaimed</u> as the greatest dancer of her times
accompanied	by	Each Quantitative and Verbal lesson is <u>accompanied</u> by a reinforcement quiz
according	to	The questions in an adaptive test are weighted <u>according</u> to their difficulty
account	for	Micorosft announced that China will <u>account</u> for a larger share of company's revenue in 2010
on	account of	We canceled the beach picnic <u>on account</u> of the bad weather forecast
account	to	Researchers took these factors into <u>account</u> to see if they made a difference
accuse	of	The politician was <u>accused</u> of being economical with the truth
acquaint	with	Let me <u>acquaint</u> you with my family
acquiesced	to	After a hard-fought battle, the retailers finally <u>acquiesced</u> to the draft regulations
adapted	for	How can health promotion interventions be <u>adapted</u> for minority ethnic communities
adapted	to	We fail to understand how human ancestors <u>adapted</u> to previous periods of climate change
affect	to	As per the market experts there won't be any immediate <u>affect</u> to the market due to the recent buy out
affected	by	He was deeply <u>affected</u> by the themes in the play
affinity	with	Some people have a natural <u>affinity</u> with children
afflicted	with	Recently, software engineers have become a group <u>afflicted</u> with the disease
afraid	of	Although he is not <u>afraid</u> of the dark he cannot continue without his flashlight
agree	on + noun / gerund	UN officials <u>agree</u> on major downsizing in peacekeeping force
agree	to	You <u>agree</u> to pay to us the reasonable cost of re-delivering the goods to you
agree	with	I tend to <u>agree</u> with everything you have said
to aid	+ person / thing	Merkel makes public case for Germany to <u>aid</u> Greece
aid	in + gerund	The explorers needed <u>aid</u> in finding drinking water

aim	at	RIM takes <u>aim</u> at consumer market with new BlackBerry OS 6.0
allergy	to	As strange as it sounds, it's possible to have an <u>allergy</u> to cold temperatures.
allocated	to	Under the new constitution, a fixed number of seats are allocated to the military and to civilians
allows	for	Hybrid motherboard <u>allows</u> for two complete systems on one board
a	lot	Sad movies always make her cry <u>a</u> lot
although	X Y	<u>Although</u> he had slept at 7 and woke up at 10, he was still sleepy
alternative	to	Clay-based hydrogels could be green <u>alternative</u> to polymers
amount	to	NHTSA says Toyota's violations could <u>amount</u> to \$13.8 billion
analogy	with	Alexander first studied the vortex tube by making an <u>analogy</u> with a concentric-pipe
analogous	to	We don't believe that 802.11a will prove <u>analogous</u> to Betamax
angry	at	I was so <u>angry</u> at myself, and wanted to give up there and then
widely	anticipated that	It is <u>widely</u> anticipated that the Securities Act will be brought into force by 2012
appear	to	'Milk drops' under the tongue <u>appear</u> to treat milk allergies
apply	to	Feb 1st was not the last day to <u>apply</u> to college
argue	over/with	Few people would <u>argue</u> with the premise that the quality of CD players has improved over the years
appeal	to	A group of South Tampa homeowners filed a legal <u>appeal</u> to block construction of a WiFi tower
approve/disapprove	of	His mother-in-law did not <u>approve</u> of his slovenly manner
*as..	as	Chocolate tastes <u>as</u> good as ice cream
as X	so Y	As interest rates are rising, so have consumer and producer prices
as..	so too	Just <u>as</u> the French like their wine, so (too) the English like their beer
as X	to Y	We are puzzled <u>as</u> to how it happened
ask	of	All I <u>ask</u> of you is one thing, please don't be cynical
ask X	to Y	I <u>asked</u> her to baby-sit for my child
ask	+ infinitive	Prosecutors <u>ask</u> to close case against von Brunn
ask	+ person + infinitive	Ireland has <u>asked</u> Fifa to let them be an extra team in next year's World Cup
*associate	with	The left wants the Republicans to closely <u>associate</u> with the Tea Party movement
associate X	with Y	Programmers <u>associate</u> the website with certain file types present in the Windows registry
assume..	to be..	Why do people assume everyone needs some mate to be happy?
assure	that	The company cannot <u>assure</u> that they can attract and retain talented highly qualified executives

at least as..	as	Robot Band is <u>at least as</u> good as Coldplay
attend	to (someone)	Alexander leaves Mets to <u>attend</u> to family issues
attribute X	to Y	The poor first quarter results are <u>attributed</u> to the merger related restructuring
attempt	to	Nestle's <u>attempt</u> to censor Greenpeace palm oil ad backfires
attention	to	The Black Caps are quickly turning their <u>attention</u> to their next assignment at the T20 World Cup
attend	to (someone)	The emergency room doctor <u>attended</u> to the injured victim
attended	by	Car crash at the labour event was <u>attended</u> by 10 cabinet ministers
attest	to	Second amendment is quite clear, <u>at least</u> to the literate
authority	on	Government may seek more <u>authority</u> on vehicle safety
authority	to	A federal appeals court has ruled that FCC lacks the authority to prevent ISPs from controlling internet traffic
available	to	Apple has made hardware video decoding <u>available</u> to developers
averse	to	In the past two years, retail investors became completely <u>averse</u> to putting money in IPOs
aware	of	ETFs are useful low-cost tools, but investors should be <u>aware</u> of the risks involved
aware	that	Americans are <u>aware</u> that their political class may not always act in their best interes
based	on	The results are <u>based</u> on a comprehensive ten year study
because	of	In March, more than 100 U.S. schools closed <u>because</u> of swine flu
begin	+ infinitive	He will begin to study twelve hours before the test
believe X	to be Y	After seeing the flying saucer, I <u>believe</u> UFOs to be a real phenomenon
belief	in	Belief in God plays a positive role in the treatment of anxiety and depression.
benefit	from	EU diplomats are likely to benefit from a new intelligence hub
between	[a] and [b]	He could not decide <u>between</u> Corn Flakes and Raisin Bran
better served by X	than by Y	Justice is <u>better served</u> late than never
better	than	Students find free online lectures <u>better</u> than what they're paying for
both X	and Y	Both the movie and the play were good
boom	in	Overseas super-rich fuel <u>boom</u> in London's luxury market
built	by	The Taj Mahal was <u>built</u> by Shar Jahan
call	for	Pediatricians <u>call</u> for a choke-proof hot dog
capable	of	Bacteria are more <u>capable</u> of complex decision-making than thought earlier
care	about	How much do business schools <u>care</u> about your score?
care	for	The GMAT <u>centers</u> on the knowledge of basic math and writing/reading skills
centers	on + person/thing	Energy bill debate <u>centers</u> on nuclear provision

center	upon	The study of economics <u>centers</u> upon the problem of scarcity
choice	of	Bill would end <u>choice</u> of paper or plastic
choose	to / from	Let us <u>choose</u> from all candidates in Ohio's primary elections
choose	+ infinitive	Facing mass lay-offs, whirlpool workers <u>choose</u> to fight company
claims	to	Iran <u>claims</u> to have proof against detained Americans
claims	to be	The Fed <u>claims</u> to be on the lookout for new asset bubbles
collaborate	with	Agilent Technologies will <u>collaborate</u> with Southeast University to produce a SAP software
collide	with	Milky Way is poised to <u>collide</u> with nearest galaxy sooner scientists has originally predicted
comment	on	Brown declined to offer any <u>comment</u> on the opposition parties' demand in Parliament
combined X	with Y	Particulate pollution <u>combined</u> with airborne soot adds to global warming
combined X	and Y	The <u>combined</u> United and Continental will have flights reaching from Shanghai to South Amerca
compare	to (similarities)	This stimulus package doesn't <u>compare</u> to previous programs for banks and the auto industry
compare	with (differences)	Greece's debt problems can't be <u>compared</u> with crises experienced in Argentina
*compare A	to B	The music critic favorably <u>compared</u> him to Bob Dylan
*compare A	with B	Broccoli is good for you <u>compared</u> with ice cream
compensate	for	The Jays made a last-minute lineup change to <u>compensate</u> for Frank Wright
comply	with	Many employers have been forced to hire third-party firms to help <u>comply</u> with the new rules
comprise	of	For the purpose of this report Asia-Pacific is deemed to <u>comprise</u> of India and China
to be	+ composed of + thing	The PNP <u>is composed</u> of professional police officers
concerned	for (i.e., worried)	Kristopher's family are very <u>concerned</u> for his welfare
concerned	with	They are <u>concerned</u> with investor relations more than actual profitability
conclude	that	It is still too early to <u>conclude</u> that the worst is over for the Euro
concur	in (an opinion)	I <u>concur</u> in the result reached by the majority
concur	with (a person)	Eurogroup Ministers <u>concur</u> with the Commission that market access for Greece is not sufficient
conductive	to	The damp conditions were not <u>conductive</u> to the spectacular tennis that Nadal often displayed
conform	to	When you work at a new company, you should try to <u>conform</u> to its corporate culture
in conformity	with	AEC Chairman's position is not <u>in conformity</u> with the constitutional responsibilities

connection	between X and Y	Consumers didn't really understand the <u>connection</u> between Cisco's name and what its brand stands for
consequence	of	The company doesn't foresee any job losses as a <u>consequence</u> of the deal
consider	X Y (without to be)	Australia may <u>consider</u> raising rate in balanced move
consist	of	The new lineup of 5 series will <u>consist</u> of four variants, the 523i, 535i, 525d and 530d
consist	with	A pathologist said the bruises around Mark's neck were <u>consist</u> with strangulation
consist	in	The advantages would <u>consist</u> in obtaining the necessary resources to fund large infrastructure projects
consistent	with	Your grades are not <u>consistent</u> with your abysmal GMAT scores
contend	that	He <u>contends</u> that the GMAT has a cultural bias
*consider	+ person/thing	How important do you <u>consider</u> the test ?
continue	+ infinitive	If you <u>continue</u> to study , you will succeed
contrast A	with B	If you <u>contrast</u> bulb with tubelight, you can see the difference
in contrast	to	The candidate claims to support tax cuts, <u>in contrast</u> to his prior statements
contribute	to	At present, town employees do not <u>contribute</u> to their health insurance
contrary	to	<u>Contrary</u> to some reports, the Detroit-Ann Arbor rail plan hasn't fallen off the tracks
convert	to	You may <u>convert</u> muscle to fat if you study too much
correspond	to	These minutes <u>correspond</u> to the committee's rate decision meeting on April 7th
correspond	with	Quite simply, this documentary does not <u>correspond</u> with reality
*count	on + person/thing	He <u>counts</u> on management support
cost	to / of	The company estimates the <u>cost</u> to drill the containment well will top \$100 million
craving	for	This is what all gamers have been <u>craving</u> for , the all new Call of Duty
created	with (not to)	The plan was researched and <u>created</u> with help from the Consortium for Educational Change
give credit	for (doing something)	Some federal judges also give <u>credit</u> for charitable giving and other good deeds
to credit	with	Dalton wanted to share some <u>credit</u> with his parents
credit	to	Let's give due <u>credit</u> to the newcomers
are in danger of	+ gerund	Key positions throughout the district <u>are in danger</u> of being eliminated
date	from	The two Central Park works <u>date</u> from the early 1960s
deal	with	Alabama officials in mobile to <u>deal</u> with oil spill response
debate	over	A public <u>debate</u> over the choice for the next governor-general is unusual in Canada

debate	on	Recent high court cases revive <u>debate</u> on judicial activism
decide	+ infinitive	We <u>decided</u> to continue
decide	on + person/thing	We <u>decided</u> on the new format
decline	in	Reliance Capital Ltd, posted a 57% <u>decline</u> in net profit for fiscal 2009
defend	against	Wal-Mart must <u>defend</u> against bias suit
defined	as	Illegal Immigration, better <u>defined</u> as "Illegal Migration" is not a new issue
delighted	by	The captain was <u>delighted</u> by his team's barrage of runs in the final five overs
demand	that	Activists <u>demand</u> that it is time the government appointed a non-bureaucrat to head the council
demonstrate	that	The U.S. needs to <u>demonstrate</u> that its mediation can bear fruit
depend	on	Our place in the playoffs <u>depends</u> on whether we win tonight
depends	on whether	Tcountry's long-term future <u>depends</u> on whether the government can clean up its culture of corruption
depicted	as	Female athletes have been typically <u>depicted</u> as frail and delicate
descend	from	The great bankers never <u>descend</u> from their tower to deal with people like you and me
descendant	of	Rebecca Smith, a <u>descendant</u> of the Austen family, said she was very pleased with the exhibition
desirous	of	Candidates <u>desirous</u> of enrolling for the coaching classes may obtain application forms free of charge
determined	by	The chart is <u>determined</u> by a points system based on a questionnaire
*different	from	The CAT is very <u>different</u> from the paper and pencil GMAT
difficult	+ infinitive	Many students find the CAT <u>difficult</u> to take
disclose	to + person/organization	Toyota has agreed to pay fines for failing to <u>disclose</u> to NHTSA its knowledge regarding the sticky pedals
*distinguish	between X and Y	He wasn't able to <u>distinguish</u> between domestic and international production
*distinguish	X from Y	Juries must attempt to <u>distinguish</u> truth from falsehood
disagree	with (person/idea)	We completely <u>disagree</u> with the hostile approach of the Ministry
discourage	from	The most effective way for people to <u>discourage</u> from using cigarette is to sell them at a higher price
dispose	of	The Delhi government has directed all medical establishments to <u>dispose</u> of radioactive material
feel disgusted	with	Most people seem to <u>feel disgusted</u> with what Brian's doing
dispute	whether	A batter might <u>dispute</u> whether the last pitch was a strike or not
divergent	from	The aspirations of larger firms in Scotland are becoming <u>divergent</u> from those of the smaller ones

doubt	that	There is no <u>doubt</u> that the EU has mishandled the Greek debt debacle
draw	on (take out)	Craig Brown will <u>draw</u> on his experience of leading Scotland in the world cup game
draw	+ thing	Australia to <u>draw</u> inspiration from snooker champion
to be drawn	to + thing/person	DJs who generally avoid hip-hop seem <u>to be drawn</u> to the song because of its house-music roots
*dream	of / about	He used to <u>dream</u> of owning a hotel one day
due	to	On Tuesday, local train services were disrupted <u>due</u> to the strike by motormen
dwindle	from	The sanitation division has seen its workforce <u>dwindle</u> from 28 employees to just 17
[in an] effort	to	The union government had lifted import duties on sugar <u>in an effort</u> to cool down domestic retail prices
easy	to	Nowadays it's <u>easy</u> to get a cellphone in somebody else's name
either..	or..	<u>Either</u> she shows up for her deposition today or she will probably lose the lawsuit
elect	to	Ireland wins the toss and <u>elected</u> to bowl first
elect	+ person	Flushing Township voters <u>elect</u> Brian Gilstrap Peck as the next mayor
be embarrassed	by (not at)	Lewis Hamilton was left <u>embarrassed</u> by the incident
emerges	from	New ash cloud <u>emerges</u> from Iceland volcano grounding Irish
*enable	+ person + infinitive	Gordon has been granted a U.S. visa to <u>enable</u> him to speak at the upcoming conference
enable X	to Y	That would <u>enable him</u> to fully recover and play, not just in the World Cup but for many years to come
enamored	with	I was <u>enamored</u> with my trip to Brazil
*encourage	+ person + infinitive	The School has been trying to <u>encourage</u> students to pursue a science based field
encourage X	to Y	The School has been trying to <u>encourage</u> students to pursue a science based field
encouraged	by	We are <u>encouraged</u> by the earnings power of our company
end	with / in	U.S. stocks <u>end</u> with worst losses in three months
entrusted	with	The TTD cannot be <u>entrusted</u> with handling sensitive religious issues
be envious	of	Russian commanders, <u>envious</u> of the success of Western forces, have long studied their former foes
be equal	to	Greece's public deficit was <u>equal</u> to 13.6% of its gross domestic product
escape	from	Seven convicted armed robbers <u>escaped</u> from the prison
be essential	to	Speed is <u>essential</u> to success in the Internet marketplace
estimate	to be	Total non-farm losses in Arizona are <u>estimated</u> to be around \$50 million
to be	+ essential to + person/thing	Accounting skills will continue <u>to be</u> essential to creating and sustaining successful businesses

except	for + person/thing	He did well on the GMAT, <u>except</u> for the sentence correction questions.
except	for + gerund	All of the markets surveyed returned with a positive outlook, <u>except</u> for France
except	that	It is hard to conclude anything <u>except</u> that the U.S. is against Iran possessing any nuclear weapons.
to exchange X	for Y	Iran is prepared to resume talks on the terms of <u>exchange</u> of its low-enriched uranium for nuclear fuel
expect	to	Police <u>expect</u> to seek a warrant today for the man accused
X expected	to Y	The oil spill in Gulf of Mexico is <u>expected</u> to impact seafood prices
expected that X	would be Y	It is <u>expected</u> that the SEC will reopen talks with Goldman Sachs
explain	to	Pharmacists are required to <u>explain</u> to patients exactly how to use the drugs
expose	to	The objective of the workshop was to <u>expose</u> to the students to the correct method of moonsighting
extend	to	Effects of being born small <u>extend</u> to adulthood
extent	of	Israel has exposed the <u>extent</u> of its crackdown on resistance in an affidavit submitted to the Supreme Court
equal	to	The incomes of public sector workers were <u>equal</u> to those in the private sector
fail	in	The wind mill operators <u>fail</u> in forecasting the actual power generation from their projects
fail	to	US and Iran <u>fail</u> to agree on non-proliferation
fear	that	They <u>fear</u> that some aspects of financial reform will benefit the big banks
fluctuations	in	All electricity networks need to manage unpredictable <u>fluctuations</u> in consumer demand
be familiar	with	A person <u>familiar</u> with the terms of the deal said it is worth nearly \$1.2 billion over six years
fascinated	by	Britons have long been <u>fascinated</u> by American presidential politics
flee	from	The convict <u>fled</u> from the country
*forbid	to	They are also <u>forbid</u> to attend license, public service or teaching staff examinations
forbid X	to do Y	The coach <u>forbid</u> Mark Lamar to play in the semi finals
for over..	xx years	Harris has been messing with computers <u>for over</u> 30 years
force	+ thing/person + infinitive	Visa problems <u>force</u> world champion Mark Greatbatch to train in Vancouver
focus	on + thing/person	Indian software companies <u>focus</u> on global alliances for big deals
frequency	of	TransLink is increasing the <u>frequency</u> of bus runs in some areas at certain times of the day

from X	to Y	Australia interest rates rise <u>from</u> 3% to 4.5%
get credit	for	Brain deserves <u>credit</u> for attempting to lead Munster in the absence of their captain
get rid	of	A West Allis couple wants the city to help <u>get rid</u> of deer in their neighborhood
grow	from	Dell Computer <u>grew</u> from a start- up to a Fortune 500 company in less than 15 years
grow	out of	Needless to say, they quickly <u>grew</u> out of their first office
help	+ thing/person + infinitive	Their direct business model <u>helped</u> them to grow rapidly
be hindered	by	General Motors said that its April sales were <u>hindered</u> by the performance of some of its brands
hypothesize	that	The researchers <u>hypothesize</u> that needles cause a stress response in the body
in contrast	to	The upbeat figures stand <u>in contrast</u> to the budget deficits across Europe and in the U.S.
inclined	to	Members of the state high court appeared <u>inclined</u> to punish companies violating environmental reugulations
in danger	of	Schumacher was never in <u>danger</u> of falling out of the top 10 F1 drivers
identical	to/with	His DNA is <u>identical</u> with his twin's
independent	from	The Federal Reserve Board is supposed to be <u>independent</u> from political considerations
Independent	of	The reporting will be <u>independent</u> of mainstream media
indifferent	towards	Some countries are <u>indifferent</u> towards human rights
indicate	that	Dell's recent stock trouble may <u>indicate</u> that their growth will not continue to be as rapid
indicate	to + person	These leads from the investigation <u>indicate</u> to the fact that recycling of expired drugs is a nationwide racket
infected	with	WHO estimates 12 million people are <u>infected</u> with syphilis worldwide each year
inherit	from	The way the human body stores fat is something we <u>inherit</u> from our parents
in order	to	<u>In order</u> to maintain the same level of sales volume, Canadian exporters would have to lower their prices
insist	that	Many analysts <u>insist</u> that demand for coking coal will continue to rise
instance	of	This is the first <u>instance</u> of an India-born individual being appointed to the post of a dean in Harvard
instead	of	Most commuters preferred travelling by foot <u>instead</u> of wasting time sitting in their cars
instill X	in Y	Mr. Nohria said one of his goals is to <u>instill</u> more public trust in MBAs
intent	to	With a clear <u>intent</u> to capture the consumer's attention, Google has redesigned its image search results

interaction	of	The new study explains how the <u>interaction</u> of hormones and stem cells give rise to breast cancer
introduce	to	As an advisor you now have another valuable product on your shelf to <u>introduce</u> to your clients.
invest	in	He is too risk-averse to <u>invest</u> in the stock market
isolate	from	We must keep the oil and gas industry <u>isolated</u> from influence on politics
judge	by (not on)	Angola's food situation is satisfactory to <u>judge</u> by results of the 2008/2009 agricultural season
just as..	so too	<u>Just as</u> the number of vendors has gone up, <u>so too</u> has the number of violations
know to	do X	We're doing everything we <u>know</u> to do to make it easier and affordable for fans to attend
leads	to	Rapid growth often <u>leads</u> to problems
less	than	Retail sales rise <u>less</u> than expected
less X	than Y	High-tech fishing trawlers <u>less</u> efficient than Victorian fleets'
likely	to	Pranab Mukherjee is <u>likely</u> to meet oils companies next week to look into freeing auto fuel prices
liken	to	Derivatives are complex investment tools that critics <u>liken</u> to gambling on future investment performances
localized	in	Most Internet venture capital is <u>localized</u> in a few areas of the world
manage	to	It is remarkable how many pizza joints <u>manage</u> to stay in business in North Jersey
mandate	that	Basel II guidelines <u>mandate</u> that banks must avoid becoming overly saturated with any one asset class
meet	with	N. Korean leader Kim Jong-Il is expected to <u>meet</u> with Chinese President Hu Jintao in Beijing
*mistake	+ thing/person + for	I <u>mistook</u> you for an old friend
modeled	after	The judicial building is <u>modeled</u> after the Parthenon
more common among X	than Y	Up until the mid-1990s, melanoma was <u>more common among</u> women than men
(no) more..	than	The country's economy is likely to register growth of <u>more</u> than 5% in the first three months of the year
more than	ever	Companies demand MBA graduates now <u>more than</u> ever
move away	from	China should adopt a property-ownership tax and gradually <u>move away</u> from the existing system
*native	to	There is a unique business culture <u>native</u> to the U.S.
*a native	of	It infects those who are not even a <u>native</u> of America
need	to	Living in New York City is an experience everyone <u>needs</u> to try
a need	for	The crisis in the Greek economy showed the <u>need</u> for greater transparency

to be	+ necessary + infinitive	It is <u>necessary</u> to get a high GMAT score to get into Stanford
necessity	of	The council reaffirmed the <u>necessity</u> of Israel's accession to the NPT
necessity	for	The report highlights the <u>necessity</u> for stronger regulations and accountability of bond funds
neither..	nor	Neither Tom nor Sam has the necessary skills to finish the job
no less..	than	Today's players are <u>no less</u> skilled than the legends of yesterday
no sooner..	than	<u>No sooner</u> did the Democrats on the Energy Committee read them than they abruptly cancelled the hearings
not X	but rather Y	The move is <u>not</u> an official resolution, but rather a declaration intended mainly to satisfy Egypt
noted	that	Fischer <u>noted</u> that the countries defined as "developing" posted stronger economic growth
not X	but Y	It may <u>not</u> be a bestseller but broadband study may quell its critics
not only..	but also..	Stanford <u>not only</u> has the highest GMAT average, but also the highest GPA
not so..	as	Quality is <u>not so</u> much a concern as the government is expected to divest only in profitable PSUs
not so much..	as	Murder mysteries now are <u>not so much</u> intuitive and leg-work driven as science driven
not so much to X	as to Y	The goal is <u>not so much to</u> achieve something as to create the impression that it is achieving something
be oblivious	of	Many users are usually <u>oblivious</u> of the presence of malicious software in their computers
oblivious	to	It is shocking how people are <u>oblivious</u> to the fact that e-mails are a treasure trove for lawyers
opportunity	for	The new scheme is an <u>opportunity</u> for the 30-year-old to get a fresh start
opportunity	to	China has the ideal <u>opportunity</u> to take a stand on North Korea
opposed	to	Twitter has evolved into a major distributor of timely information, <u>as opposed</u> to a social networking site
opposition	to	Liberal National Party to reconsider its <u>opposition</u> to the Government's planned sale of state assets
opposite	of	Andrea Syrtash urges single women to date the <u>opposite</u> of their type
X ordered Y	to do Z	He refused to stop his car despite being <u>ordered</u> to do so by police
ought	to	Both sides <u>ought</u> to favor a bill that would allow same-sex couples to get married
originate	in	According to experts, 70% of all bank fraud cases <u>originate</u> in a branch
partake	of	Should not state governments <u>partake</u> of some of the blame for wrong policies that have created bottlenecks

participate	in	3M today announced that it will <u>participate</u> in the upcoming investor conference
perceive	as	What do you <u>perceive</u> as the single largest issue facing the town?
*permit	+ thing/person + infinitive	In 1909, the law was amended to <u>permit</u> the ladies to wear pants
permit X	to Y	The state <u>permitted</u> Rio Tinto to mine areas currently under the control of Naxalites
persuade X	to Y	Its very difficult to <u>persuade</u> kids to not eat chocolates
plead guilty	for..	Five teens <u>plead guilty</u> for vandalism in Christian County
potential	to	A graduate of a top business school has the <u>potential</u> to make over \$100,000
practice	for	These minority markets have had this <u>practice</u> for hundreds of years
practice	to	He came to <u>practice</u> to do a limited workout
practice	of	Dr Nohria's current academic interests include the theory and <u>practice</u> of leadership
predisposed	to	It bothers me that some people are <u>predisposed</u> to think Bradley is at fault
preferable	to	Mr Wolfson said that spending cuts are far <u>preferable</u> to tax increases
prefer X	to Y	Patients <u>prefer</u> powder lactulose to liquid lactulose for the treatment of constipation
prejudiced	against	Tea Party supporters say the movement is not <u>prejudiced</u> against President Obama
pressure	to	Trichet is under <u>pressure</u> to do more to calm markets after the pledge of a \$142 billion bailout for Greece
prevent	from	That still leaves a vast quantity of oil that crews may be unable to <u>prevent</u> from washing onto the marshes
prior	to	The Telephone singer hid backstage <u>prior</u> to her performance at the Costume Institute Gala
prized	by	The "sugar sand" beaches of Mississippi and Florida are <u>prized</u> by vacationers
prized	as	These long-stemmed roses are highly <u>prized</u> as cut flowers
prized	for	Russets are <u>prized</u> for low moisture and high starch content
profit	by (not from)	The global economic recovery helped to boost the company's net <u>profit</u> by 8% to \$4.8 billion
*prohibit	from + gerund	You are <u>prohibited</u> from using a calculator on test day
prohibits X	from (doing) Y	Libda said while Palestinian law <u>prohibited</u> its people from working at Israeli settlements
promise	to	The Czech parties that have a chance of entering parliament <u>promise</u> to combat corruption
promise	of + thing	American Idol launched with fanfare, with a <u>promise</u> of bigger extravaganza for the viewers this season
protect	against	Experts say that alcohol can <u>protect</u> against one kind of stroke

provide	with	The company would be helped by Unisys to <u>provide</u> with global-desk side support
way	to provide	The planners believe they have found a <u>way</u> to provide plenty of viewing to people sitting in the stadium
published	by	The study was <u>published</u> by the Economics Journal
published	in	Established in 1902, The Times is now <u>published</u> in 37 editions across 11 states
question	whether	AMC said it was not clear from the <u>question</u> whether information was sought about the residential houses
range	of	The CIA received approval to target a wider <u>range</u> of targets in Pakistan's tribal areas
*range from X	to Y	The GMAT scores at top business schools will <u>range</u> from 650 to 750
rates	for (not of)	Skype has announced that it is slashing its <u>rates</u> for calling subscriptions to 170 countries
rather	than	Bajaj Auto would focus on delivering performance <u>rather</u> than just concentrate on a low price band
receptive	of	Lawmakers seemed <u>receptive</u> of their witnesses' arguments
receptive	to	The equity market is more <u>receptive</u> to primary issuances now
related	to	OPEC said that present oil price levels aren't <u>related</u> to supply and demand
relations	with (not towards)	Her increasingly cosy <u>relation</u> with Alex has been in news for some time now
refer	to	If you have any more questions, you should <u>refer</u> to a grammar book
*regard	as	The level of ash is at higher density than aircraft manufacturers <u>regard</u> as safe for engines
X regarded	as Y	Wharton's finance program is <u>regarded</u> as the finest in the world.
repent	of	We ought to <u>repent</u> of our rush to judgment
replace	with	I would like to know if you can remove the installed anti-virus and <u>replace</u> with Norton
in response	to	The proposed changes are <u>in response</u> to concerns expressed by the Indian Banking Association
require	+ thing/person + infinitive	United States Government <u>requires</u> airlines to check no fly list more often
required	of	A minimum of 100000 signatures is <u>required</u> of registered candidates
require	that X Y	Employers <u>require</u> that prospective employees pass all medical tests
requiring X	to Y	N.J. lawmaker plans exemption to bill <u>requiring</u> state workers to live in state
research	to	Torrey Pines conducts <u>research</u> to advance the understanding of human disease
resemble	+ thing/person	Whitney says U.S.states <u>resemble</u> Greece in financial condition
resemblance of X	to Y	One thing lacking is any <u>resemblance</u> of a two-party system

resemblance between X	and Y	There was a striking <u>resemblance between</u> the Summit logo and the design of the crescent moon
resistance	to	Kevin Rudd faces stiffening <u>resistance</u> to his tax reform plans
responsibility	to	British Petroleum has taken full <u>responsibility</u> to clean up the huge oil slick
responsible	for	The manager is <u>responsible</u> for seven entry level employees
restitution..	for	The ordered <u>restitution</u> is intended to compensate the bank for legal fees and accounting costs
results	in	Facebook bug <u>results</u> in serious privacy breach
results	from	It eliminates the depreciation expense that <u>results</u> from the capital-intensive nature of the business
result	of	This increase was the <u>result</u> of sales increases at all four of the Company's subsidiaries
retroactive	to	The tax policy change is <u>retroactive</u> to last year
rivalry between X	and Y	The <u>rivalry between</u> Red Sox and Yankees is one of the most celebrated in professional sports
*the rivals X	and Y	The firm has been locked in legal battle with its <u>rivals</u> Sony and Microsoft
rule	that	It's a <u>rule</u> that goes back to the historic rivalry of the Yankees and the Red Sox
sacrifice X	for Y	Some dancers <u>sacrifice</u> fluidity for technique
[the] same	as	The creation process for Active ETFs is exactly the <u>same</u> as it would be for any ETF
the same to X	as to Y	Our pledge is <u>the same to</u> them as to our supporters
save	for	Save for William, no one else passed the exam
save	from	Many people use business school to <u>save</u> them from dull jobs
in search	of	The vast majority of "illegal" immigrants come to the U.S. <u>in search</u> of jobs
see	as	My favorite question is who we'd like to <u>see</u> as a guest mentor
seek	+ infinitive	Turkey and Brazil <u>seek</u> to influence Iran
seek	+ thing/person	BNP Paribas CFO Says BancWest may <u>seek</u> U.S. mergers
seem	+ infinitive	Ambulance expenses <u>seem</u> to discourage patients from calling 911
seem	to indicate	Same Store sales for April certainly <u>seem</u> to indicate a continuing positive trend
send	to	These are some of the gifts which you can <u>send</u> to your Mother
be sensible	of	It would be quite <u>sensible</u> of a user to install a reliable anti-virus solution
be sensitive	to	Durable goods are the most <u>sensitive</u> of all the consumer goods
separate	from	Each chapters are <u>separate</u> of one another
sequence	of	Stocks in China extended their recent <u>sequence</u> of losses
similar	to	This is quite <u>similar</u> to last March, when the Sensex was languishing at the 8000 level

sleep	with	Experts say that you can make up for lack of <u>sleep</u> with a cup of coffee in the morning.
so X	that Y	This guide is designed <u>so</u> that you may raise your score
so X	as to be Y	In Africa, electricity is <u>so</u> intermittent as to be almost a force of nature
be solicitous	of (not to)	Courts are very solicitous of presidents not being compelled to take the witness stand
be sparing	of (not with)	IMRT permits <u>sparing</u> of normal tissues and hence dose-escalation to tumours
speak	to + person	Mexico's president will <u>speak</u> to Parliament during a three day visit to Canada this month
speak	with + person	People who <u>speak</u> with non-native accents are discriminated against in employment and schooling
spend	on	The average amount Britons <u>spend</u> on a wedding present for a friend is £48, and £27 for a colleague
subject	to	RIL does not have absolute right over gas and price is <u>subject</u> to government approval
subscribe	to	Business school students should <u>subscribe</u> to the Wall Street Journal
substitute [a]	for [b]	Recycled scrap steel, a <u>substitutue</u> for iron ore, currently accounts for 8% of total steel production in China
such..	as	Exporters to countries <u>such</u> as Italy and Spain are now expecting cancellations
suffer	from (not with)	Men are twice as likely to <u>suffer</u> from heart diseases compared to their female counterparts
superior	to	Submarines owned by a private oil company are <u>superior</u> to the ones at the disposal of the U.S. military
supplant	by	It is inevitable that Woods will be <u>supplanted</u> by Mickelson as the world's number one this year
suspicious	of	Investors are <u>suspicious</u> of new issues, especially from private equity
sympathy	for	They had gained citizenship the right way and had no <u>sympathy</u> for illegals
sympathize	with	You have to <u>sympathize</u> with people who have food allergies
take advantage	of	Candidates <u>take advantage</u> of crowds at Barbecue Festival
tamper	with	It is not known who tried to <u>tamper</u> with the evidence
target	at	The Aurora program is <u>targeted</u> at improving women's health
teach	+ person + infinitive	It seems reasonable to <u>teach</u> children to reason and unreasonable not to
tell	+ person	Voters <u>tell</u> Gordon Brown to quit as David Cameron races to secure deal
tend	to	Affluent investors <u>tend</u> to be older and have lived through difficult equity markets
tendency	to (not for)	Children who are obese also have an increased tendency to snore more

think of..	as	People often <u>think of</u> terrorists as people who are illiterate and poor
threaten	to	The protests and riots in Athens <u>threaten</u> to undermine tourism
tie	to	The contract should be <u>tied</u> to concessions
tinker	with (not at)	England have resisted the temptation to <u>tinker</u> with their cricket team's line-up
be tolerant	of (not to)	I'm not very <u>tolerant</u> of the Republican party nor their intellectually
train	to	I <u>train</u> to perform like an athlete
transit	to	The first dome is said to be in <u>transit</u> to the site
transmit	to	The communications system will <u>transmit</u> to anyone within range
try	to	Blackstone may <u>try</u> to block Shaw Communications Inc.'s purchase of Canwest telecom
to try	to fix	We will <u>try</u> to fix the supply as soon as possible
type	of	This is the <u>type</u> of revelation you only get from this third party broadcast
use	as	The airline staff supplies cotton balls to <u>use</u> as ear plugs
use	+ person/thing + infinitive	After five practice tests, he got <u>used</u> to the GMAT CAT format
used	+ infinitive	Japan <u>used</u> to be the model industrial economy
to be + used	to + gerund	Workers at this post office are <u>used to</u> delivering the mail
[the] use	of	Certain business issues are arising through the <u>use</u> of social media
view	as	Crews continue to drill a relief well, <u>viewed</u> as the best chance to stop the leak altogether
vote	for	Coaches aren't permitted to <u>vote</u> for their own players
in violation	of	Steve Mason notified that his property is <u>in violation</u> of the local land laws
wait	for	I would just hang around and <u>wait</u> for the game to get over
wait	on	We'll <u>wait</u> on the results of blood tests and then proceed with the investigation
to be + willing	+ infinitive	On eBay, international customers are <u>willing</u> to pay a premium to get their hands on an iPad
worry	about	Economists are <u>worried</u> about the rising unemployment figures