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*Go on, be a devil!
Have another piece of cake.*



LET'S GET CRACKING!

These short sayings are often used in everyday conversation between friends in informal spoken English. They make your English sound natural and idiomatic. Test your knowledge by ticking the correct answer.

■ Go on, be a devil

- You have a bad character
- Go on, you know you'll enjoy it
- You'll end up in hell, not in paradise

■ Get your skates on

- Get dressed
- Walk with care
- Hurry up

■ I'll give it a whirl

- I'll try it out and see if I like it
- I'll clean it thoroughly
- I'll throw it away

■ Never say die

- You should only talk about positive things
- Never give up hope
- Death should be a taboo subject

■ Keep your cool

- Check your temperature
- Put on some fashionable clothes
- Control your temper and keep calm

■ Let's get cracking

- Let's go to sleep, I'm tired
- Let's start work in a serious way
- Let's have a party

ADJECTIVE + PREPOSITION

BRUSH UP YOUR PREPOSITIONS

Choose the correct preposition.

1. Video games are very *popular* _____ children. by with to
2. An individualist wants to be *different* _____ other people. to with than
3. Fay and her sister are quite *similar* _____ appearance. from in by
4. Bill will not listen, he's *deaf* _____ all arguments. to for against
5. A stable currency is *fundamental* _____ a healthy economy. by with to
6. Jessica is very *enthusiastic* _____ going to London. for about with
7. We were very *surprised* _____ Ben's sudden appearance. over about at
8. Sabrina is very *jealous* _____ her older sister. on about of
9. The new x-20 CD player is *available* _____ the shop. by from with
10. My niece is *brilliant* _____ playing chess. on in at
11. I was *impressed* _____ the way John handled this problem. from by of
12. All young stars in Hollywood are *hungry* _____ success. after for to
13. You must be punctual, you can't be *late* _____ school. to at for
14. My face felt *cold* _____ the wind. by from about
15. Japan is totally *dependent* _____ oil imports. at from on
16. All applicants must be *fluent* _____ English. in at on

CHOOSE THE CORRECT ADJECTIVE

1. We have a _____ problem with the computer. light easy slight
2. Basketball players are usually very _____. tall big high
3. He looked at me with a _____ gaze. solid stable steady
4. I have _____ doubts about this project. heavy serious difficult
5. My friend was robbed in _____ daylight. broad wide light
6. You're in _____ hands with Doctor May. sure safe secure
7. Women are sometimes called the _____ sex. fair pretty beautiful
8. _____ Easter! merry happy cheerful
9. It is a _____ honour to be working with you. large big great
10. What is that _____ smell in here? comic funny comical
11. The cobra is a highly _____ snake. gifted toxic poisonous
12. This table is made of _____ oak. massive solid complete
13. In the _____ future we may live in space. far distant far-away
14. Tom mostly takes the line of _____ resistance. least smallest slightest
15. Never jump into the _____ end of a pool. even flat shallow

SUFFIX QUARTETS

Form nouns with the suffixes from the grey box (e.g. -ion) and the verbs in brackets. Use each suffix four times.

(Spelling hints: examine → examination)

- ion

- ery

- ing

- ation

1. We picked up some leaflets at the tourist information office. (inform)
2. I have a _____ that we are going to get rain this afternoon. (feel)
3. Harrods offers their customers a fine _____ of Indian teas. (select)
4. Our local _____ is famous for its delicious cakes. (bake)
5. By law each packet of cigarettes has to carry a government health _____. (warn)
6. The art expert declared that the painting was a _____. (forge)
7. The _____ of the old villa for use as a museum was a great success. (restore)
8. They've opened a great new _____ at the local art museum. (exhibit)
9. All parties were united in the _____ of the terror attacks. (condemn)
10. My uncle has a very valuable stamp _____. (collect)
11. I learned how to prepare a delicious meal on a _____ course. (cook)
12. Greg is held by the police on charges of armed _____. (rob)
13. The refugees are threatened by _____ if we cannot deliver food soon. (starve)
14. _____ is one of the major problems in many African countries. (corrupt)
15. 'One swallow doesn't make a summer,' is a well-known _____. (say)
16. The tennis players went into strict _____ in preparation for Wimbledon. (train)

REVISION · COLLOCATIONS

Choose the correct alternative.

1. Do you know how to _____ a bicycle? drive ride go
2. I like to _____ television. see look watch
3. What do you _____ for a living? do make work
4. You have to be _____ dressed in this bar. correctly properly rightly
5. Do you speak any _____ languages? strange foreign external
6. I received _____ treatment at the hospital. medical doctoral medicinal
7. This watch is made of _____ gold. heavy massive solid
8. We had _____ traffic on the motorway. strong heavy tight
9. Sid has bought a new _____ guitar. electric electrical electronic
10. Ray is _____ ill in hospital. heavily seriously completely
11. Temperatures are very _____ today. thorough deep low
12. Rye Lane is a very _____ street. thin narrow tight
13. We had very _____ rules in our school. severe strict strong
14. The twins look _____ alike. exactly totally precisely
15. An ICE train is usually very _____ . prompt quick fast

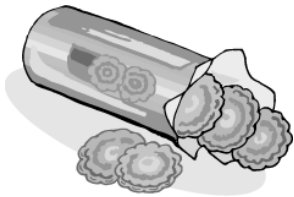
PARTITIVES AROUND THE HOUSE · 2

The nouns in the grey boxes combine to express quantities of things or substances or the particular form they take. Link them with 'OF' to form the correct expressions, then complete the sentences.

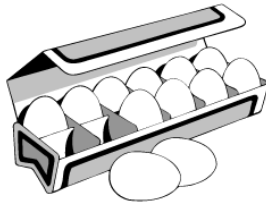
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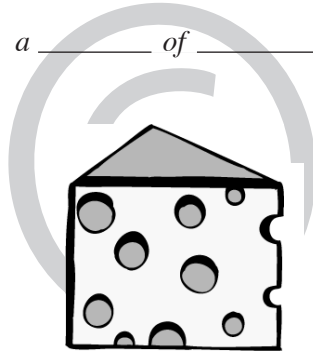
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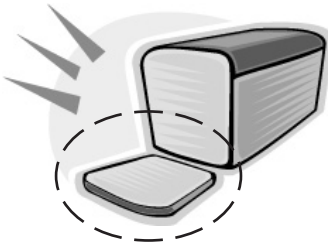
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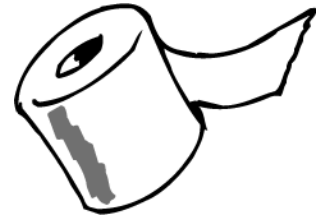
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BEAVER BOOKS

REVISION · COLLOCATIONS

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