# **COME FORWARD**

Is there anyone willing to volunteer for the coming event.

Yes Mam, we would like to come forward







Present oneself; volunteer

The police have asked any witnesses to come forward.

**CARRY OUT** 

Jane, how did your plan go to surprise him?





It was <mark>carried out</mark> with extreme perfection



Do something as specified (plan, order, threat, etc)
The plan was carried out to perfection.

# CALL OFF

Jane, why did you cancel your reception party?





Due to heavy rain, we had to call it off.

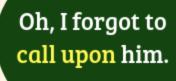


#### Cancel

The meeting was called off because of the strike.

**CALL ON/UPON** 

Hey did you invite John to the party?









#### Formally invite or request

I now call upon the President to address the assembly.

**BRUSH UP ON** 

I think you need to improve your French before going to Quebec



Yes, I have joined a class to brush up on my skills



Improve, refresh one's knowledge of something

Mary decided to brush up on her Spanish before going to South-America.

**BRING OFF** 

How did you succeed in winning his trust.

I told him that I am
a journalist and
that's how I
managed to bring it
off.







#### Succeed in doing something difficult

You pretended to be a journalist and he believed you? I never thought you'd bring that off!

**BRING UP** 

How did you manage to raise your child so well?

My husband helped me alot to bring him up







#### Raise a child

She stopped working in order to bring up her children.

### **BRING UP**

Jane, you forgot to mention your previous job.





I don't want to bring that subject up

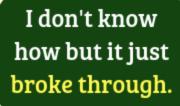


#### Mention something

His friends knew he had lost his job but they decided not to bring up the subject.

## **BREAK THROUGH**

How did your car forced a way through this strong wall,







Force a way through something

The car broke through the barrier.

**BREAK THROUGH** 

How did you achieve success in this difficult test.





I was
determined to
break through
this test.

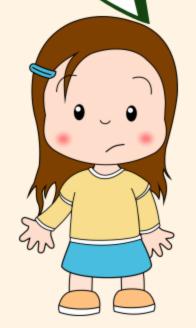


achieve success in a particular area.

Many talented players are struggling to break through

# **COME DOWN WITH**

Hi John, why did you not come to the office? Are you sick?





Yes, I came down with the flu so the doctor asked me to rest.



#### Become ill with some disease or disorder

The architect planned to attend the inauguration but unfortunately, he came down with the flu over the weekend.

### **CLAM UP**

Dia, why are you not telling me who broke the glass?





Because brother asked me to clam up



#### Refuse to speak

The teacher asked who had thrown the eraser, but the class clammed up.

**COME ACROSS** 

Listen, did you know who I met by chance?





Yeah, Yeah I know you <mark>came across</mark> Justin Bieber yesterday.



Find by chance, encounter

Julie came across some photographs of her grandparents in the attic.

## CLAMP DOWN ON

Sir, don't you think govt. should act strictly to prevent pollution





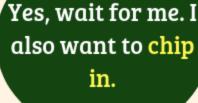
Yes we are clamping down on the issues of climate change

Act strictly to prevent something.

The government decided to clamp down on smoking in public areas.

### **CHIP IN**

Jean, we are organising a blood donation camp. Do you want to participate?









Contribute to, or participate in, something done by a group

Bob has decided to retire and we're going to buy him a present.

Do you want to chip in?

**CLOSE DOWN** 

Josh, why did you stop operating your candy shop?



I was not making any money so I had to close it down.





Stop operating (company, restaurant, cinema, etc)

When the factory closed down, the employees lost their jobs.

**CATCH UP WITH** 

Reha, you missed some classes. Do you need help to cover what you missed?





Yes, please help me catch up with the syllabus already done.



Reach the same stage as someone else.

I've missed some classes so I'll have to work hard to catch up with the others.

**CHEER UP** 

What should I do to put my wife in a better mood?

fake her out for dinner. It will surely cheer her up.





Put someone in a better mood I told her a joke to cheer her up. CATCH UP ON

Call my assistant to get the information you missed during the meeting



Ok, I will call her to catch up on the meeting agenda.



Acquire information you have missed

I must call by mother to catch up on the latest family events.

CARRY OVER

Jiya, why did you postpone your marriage date? We did not find a banquet hall on that date, so we carried it over.







#### Postpone until later

As regards holidays, can we carry over days from one year to the next?

## **ABIDE BY**



#### Respect or obey

You must abide by the rules if you want to stay in this school.

# **ACCOUNT FOR**

Can you explain
where did you
spend the
moeny?

I am sorry, I cannot account for that.



Explain; Give Reasons

The children must account for the money they spent.

# **ACHE FOR**

Why are you crying? What do you want?

I can't help it.

My heart still

aches for him.



want something or someone

She loves him so much that her heart still aches for him.

**ACT ON** 

You must take action against the man who stole my bag

Don't worry lady, we will act on it immedicately





Take action as a result of something

The police acted on the call they received from a woman.

**ACT OUT** 



Demonstrate Something with gestures and actions

They acted out a scene from Hamlet in the classroom.

### **ACT UP**

Priya, why is your son behaving badly?





He starts acting
up like this
when he gets
tired



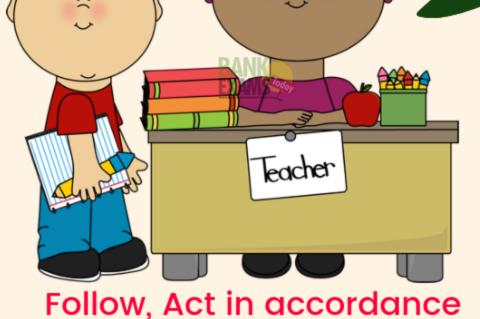
Cause pain or behave badly.

My shoulder is acting up./ When Sophie gets bored, she starts acting up.

## **ADHERE TO**

Mam, I did not follow the guidelines while filling the form.

Tom, you were asked to adhere to the rules.



Students must adhere to the guidelines while submitting their forms.

**ADVISE AGAINST** 

I do not recommend you to carry heavy load in this situation



Thanks doctor

for advising me





Recommend not doing something

The doctor advised me against carrying heavy loads.

**AGREE WITH** 

We have the same opnions about Messi that he is a great player.



Yes, I <mark>agree with</mark> you.. Messi is a wonderful player.



### Having same opinions

He does not agree with your idea of starting a new business.

**ANGLE AT** 

What is the main point of view of your story.

It is angled at the miseries of widows in India.





Show from a particular point of view

The documentary was angled at the miseries of widows in India.

**DISH OUT** 

Kid, did you give away the candies to others?



No Mom, I did not want to dish them out so we ate all.



Distribute or give away a lot

He spent the day dishing out invitations to tourists.

Priya, I asked you to discover something suspicious about his activities



Yes, I am
digging up
something
scandalous





Discover or reveal information

Some newspapers often try to dig up scandalous information.

**DECK OUT** 

Hey, why are you decorating the office?



We are decking up for the upcoming Diwali fest.



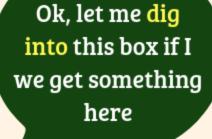
Dress; decorate

The exhibition hall will be decked out in the colours of Europe.

**DIG INTO** 

Bro, I lost my doll in the garage.

Please find it.







Try to find deep inside something

He dug into his pocket and found a coin.

## **DIG INTO**

Hey guys, we must start on the assignments



Yes, lets dig into the assignments before exams.



#### Start to do something

It is time to dig into the assignment that we left unfinished.

DIE DOWN

Hey what are you doing sitting so calm and quiet?



I like to die down before starting anything important.



Calm down, become less strong

When the applause died down, she started to sing.

## **CUT OUT**

Hey, why did you stop eating cakes and pastries?

The doctor asked me to cut out the calories because I was getting fat.





Stop doing something

I am going to cut out eating sweet food.

**COME UP WITH** 

Can't your team produce a single innovating idea to improve sales?



Sir, you have fired Anil who always came up with new ideas.



Produced an idea or plan

Sacha came up with a great idea for the party.

**COUNT ON** 

Who do you
depend upon for
your financial
matters?



I count on my advisor for all these matters.



Rely or depend on

I am counting on the taxi driver to find the theatre.

**CONK OUT** 

Why did the car stop working suddenly?



It is out of battery that's why it conked out.



Stop working/ Stop or fall asleep (from exhaution)

The car conked out on the motorway.

He was so exhausted, he conked out in front of the TV.

**ANSWER BACK** 

I will go to the party whether you approve or not.



Do not answer back your mother.



Reply rudely

He is used to answering back his mother

**ANSWER TO** 

Who controls your department in the office?



We answer to our HOD Mr. Sinha.

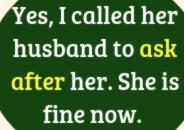


Be Controlled by

Who do you answer to in your office?

**ASK AFTER** 

Nikki, did you enquire about your sister's health?









Enquire about someone's well being

My mother always asks after you.

**ASK AROUND** 

Hey John, I lost my dog. Please ask around if anyboady saw him.







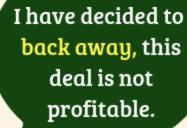


Mention it to people you see or meet

The father of the kidnapped boy was asking around impatiently.

**BACK AWAY** 

Riya, why are you running away, we haven't signed the deal?







## Move backwards

When she sensed the danger, she backed away.

## **BANK ON**

I completely rely on my team for the project to be successful Don't worry mam, you can bank on us.





Rely on confidently

Do not forget to bring all the files. I bank on you now.

I need someone to confirm that I was not involved in the crime.



**BEAR OUT** 

Don't be sad, I will bear out your testimony.



Confirm

The other witness will bear out my testimony in the court.

**BEAR WITH** 

I cannot tolerate
you any longer. You
must leave this
room by evening

Could you bear
with me for
another day. I will
find room
tomorrow.



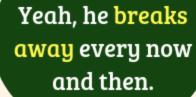


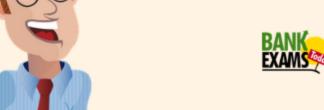
Tolerate, Endure, Be patient

If you will bear with me a little longer,I'm sure I can locate the key.

**BREAK AWAY** 

Hey Mili
I heard your dog
escaped last night.







**Escape from capitivity** 

A few horses broke away from the paddock.