07/ The mind

Words you need... 7.1

- **to consider something** to think carefully about something
- **to decide (something)** to choose something after thinking about it
- **a decision** a choice you make after thinking about possible things
- **to guess (something)** to say what you think is true when you do not know all the facts
- **imagination** the ability to make pictures or ideas in your mind that are not real
- **to imagine something** to make a picture of something in your mind
- **a memory** something that you can remember
- **your memory** the part of your mind that remembers things

remember, forget and *remind* 7.2

Remember, **forget** and **remind** are common and useful words, which all have several related meanings.

If you **remember someone or something** you still have them in your mind, and if you **forget someone or something**, you do not have them in your mind:

- *Do you remember my cousin? I forgot his name.*

You can say that you **remember something** if you intend to bring it and you do. If you do not bring it, you **forget it**.

- *Did you remember your passport? I forgot my keys.*

If you **remember to do something**, you do what you intended to do, and if you **forget to do something**, you do not do it.

- *You must remember to call her. I forgot to buy some bread.*

If you **remind someone to do something**, you say something to help them to remember to do it.

- *Can you remind me to call Julie later?*

Exercise 1

Complete the second sentence so that it summarizes the first.

1 He said he thought the boy was about ten.
He *guessed* the boy's age.

2 When I want to get to sleep, I think about lying on a beach.
I _____ that I am on a beach.

3 She remembers all her friends' birthdays.
She has a very good _____ .

4 My sister wanted us to start a business together, and I thought about it a lot.
I _____ her suggestion carefully.

5 To write successful stories, you need to be able to think of good ideas.
You need to have a good _____ to write successful stories.

6 I have to decide what I am going to study at college.
I need to make a _____ about what to study at college.

Exercise 2

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

1 Did you remember [send/(to send)] Dad a birthday card?
2 My sister always forgets her keys if I don't remind [she/her] to take them.
3 She wrote a book about her memories [of/from] life in the army.
4 We made the difficult decision [closing/to close] the business.
5 Dan asked us to give him some money. We agreed to consider [it/him].
6 Don't forget [to bring/bring] some money for drinks.

Exercise 3 7.3

Complete what Maria says about visiting her great-grandmother. Listen and check.

Today I [1] *decided* to visit my great-grandmother. I enjoy listening to her [2] _____ of growing up in a mountain village. She [3] _____ so much about the past, but she is not so clear about the present. My mother has to call her every day to [4] _____ her to take her medicine. Once, she [5] _____ and she became ill. My mother says she should come and live with us. She promised to [6] _____ it, but I don't think she will – she loves where she lives.



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