



READING AND USE OF ENGLISH

PART 4 CAE



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26. ALLEGED (ADJ) : SAID OR THOUGHT BY SOME PEOPLE TO BE THE STATED BAD OR ILLEGAL THING, ALTHOUGH YOU HAVE NO PROOF.

- BE ALLEGED TO HAVE DONE SOMETHING : HE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE ORDERED THE MURDER OF A US CITIZEN. SYNONYMS AND RELATED WORDS.

27. TO MAKE NO DIFFERENCE (IDIOM): TO NOT CHANGE OR IMPROVE A SITUATION.

"WHEN WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEAVE?" "IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE (TO ME).

28. IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR (SOMEONE OR SOMETHING)

IF SOMEONE OR SOMETHING HADN'T HELPED, INTERVENED, OR AFFECTED THE SITUATION IN SOME WAY. THE PHRASE IS ALWAYS FOLLOWED BY AN EXPLANATION OF HOW THINGS WOULD HAVE TURNED OUT DIFFERENTLY WITHOUT SOMEONE OR SOMETHING.

- IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THOSE QUICK-THINKING BYSTANDERS, I WOULDN'T BE ALIVE TODAY.
- IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THOSE MEDDLING KIDS, WE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN AWAY WITH IT.

29. TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES : TO DO ANYTHING NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE SOMETHING.

- PETE WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO SET UP HIS OWN RESTAURANT.

30. IN THE LIGHT OF SOMETHING: BECAUSE OF.

- IN THE LIGHT OF RECENT INCIDENTS, WE ARE ASKING OUR CUSTOMERS TO TAKE PARTICULAR CARE OF THEIR PERSONAL BELONGINGS.