

Time

1 VERBS WITH TIME

Complete the sentences with the right verb from the list.

give have kill make up for run out of save spare spend take up waste take (x2)

- 1 I a lot of time playing games on my computer instead of studying.
- 2 If you take the highway, you'll time — it's much quicker than the local roads.
- 3 I had three hours to wait for my flight, so I sat there doing *sudoku* puzzles to time.
- 4 There's no hurry, so your time.
- 5 When my mother was young she never had the chance to travel. Now she's retired and wants to lost time — she has booked a trip around the world.
- 6 The novel is 700 pages long and I'm a slow reader. It's going to me a long time to finish it.
- 7 I'd better go home now. If I'm late again, my dad will me a hard time.
- 8 I would like to go camping with my friends this weekend, but my final tests are next week, so I can't the time.
- 9 My children all my time — I never seem to get to read a book or watch a movie!
- 10 New York's such a fantastic city! You're going to the time of your life there.
- 11 Let's not spend too long at the museum or we'll time. We have to get the train back at 10:30 and there are lots of other things I want to see.

2 PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES WITH TIME

Complete the prepositions column with a preposition from the list.

at (x2) before by for from in off on to

- 1 I'm really punctual, so I hate it when other people aren't time.
- 2 I've never heard of that singer. He must have been my time.
- 3 the time we got to our hotel, it was nearly midnight.
- 4 I missed the birth of my first child. I was on a plane the time.
- 5 He's been working too hard recently. He needs some .
- 6 If we don't take a taxi, we won't get to the airport time the flight.
- 7 I don't eat out very often, but I do get takeout time time.
- 8 He suffers from back pain, and it makes him a little irritable times.

Prepositions

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3 EXPRESSIONS WITH TIME

Match sentences 1–10 with A–J.

- 1 The referee's looking at his watch.
- 2 He hardly spoke to me at lunch.
- 3 I'm really looking forward to my vacation.
- 4 I'm sorry, I can't help you this week.
- 5 I can't afford a new computer.
- 6 She's sure to find a job eventually.
- 7 I think I need to take up a hobby.
- 8 Stop writing, please.
- 9 I really thought I was going to be late.
- 10 You look very young in that photo.

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- A But in the end I got to the airport **with time to spare**.
- B He spent **the whole time** talking on his cell phone.
- C **Time's up.** The test is over.
- D I'm a little **short on time**.
- E I've got **time on my hands** since I retired.
- F I'll have to make do with this one **for the time being**.
- G It's only a **question of time**.
- H It must have been taken **a long time ago**.
- I **There isn't much time left**.
- J **This time next week** I'll be lying on the beach.