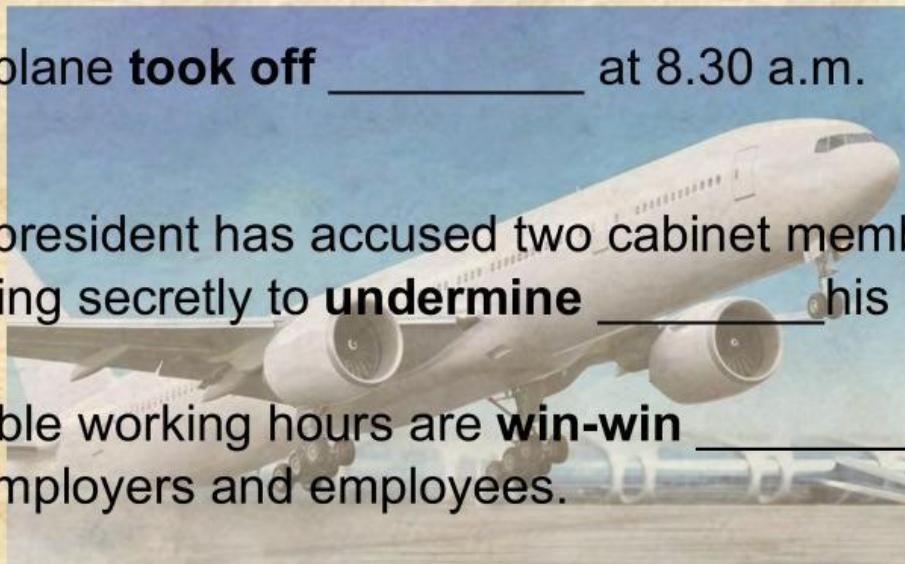


# CAN YOU GUESS THE MEANING OF THESE EXPRESSIONS?

Choose the correct synonym of the words in **bold**.

1. The plane **took off** \_\_\_\_\_ at 8.30 a.m.



2. The president has accused two cabinet members of working secretly to **undermine** \_\_\_\_\_ his position.

3. Flexible working hours are **win-win** \_\_\_\_\_ situation for employers and employees.

4. You may want to quit school now, but **in the long run**, \_\_\_\_\_ you'll regret it.

5. He became a citizen, **thereby** \_\_\_\_\_ gaining the right to vote.

6. You **are bound by** \_\_\_\_\_ the contract to pay before the end of the month.

7. Small businesses are **losing out to** \_\_\_\_\_ large chains.