

VERBS + BACK





4 VOCABULARY & SPEAKING

verb + *back*

- a Look at the sentences. What's the difference between *come* and *come back*?

Carmen **came** to England.

Carmen **came back** to England.

b Complete 1–6 with a phrase from the list.

call you back go back give it back
pay you back send them back take it back

- 1 **A** Are you feeling better?
B Yes, I think I'll _____ to work tomorrow.

- 2 **A** The shirt you bought me is too small.
B Don't worry. I'll _____ to the shop and change it. I still have the receipt.

- 3 **A** Hi, Jack. It's me, Karen.
B I can't talk now, I'm driving – I'll _____ in 15 minutes.

- 4 **A** That's my pen you're using!
B Is it? Sorry. I'll _____ in a minute.

- 5 **A** Can you lend me £20?
I'll _____ next week.
B OK – here you are.

- 6 **A** Where did you buy those shoes?
B I got them online, but they're too big. I think I'll _____.



d Ask and answer in groups. Give examples or reasons.

- 1 When someone leaves you a message on your phone, do you usually **call** them **back** immediately?
- 2 If you buy something online that isn't exactly what you wanted, do you always **send** it **back**?
- 3 Have you ever lent somebody money and they didn't **pay** you **back**?
- 4 When you **come back** after a holiday do you usually feel better or worse than before?
- 5 When you borrow something from a friend, do you usually remember to **give** it **back**?
- 6 If you buy something to wear from a shop and then decide you don't like it, do you usually **take** it **back**?



Giving examples and reasons

Examples *For example,... For instance,...*

Reasons *I usually...because...
It depends. When..., I usually...*