

# Phrases often found, Particularly, in Use of English



**Get rid of** something – Throw away, give away, or sell a possession that you no longer want or need: I need to **get rid of** these old books.

**Feel like doing** something – Want to do something: **I feel like talking** a walk in the park.

**Take part** – Participate: He convinced me to **take part in** the debate.

**Take advantage of** something – Make good use of the opportunities something gives you: You should **take advantage of** the hotel's gym and pool while we're here.

**Look like** someone or something – Physically resemble someone or something: Emma **looks just like** her sister – I mix them up all the time.

**Make an effort to do** something – Do something even though you do not want to or you find it difficult: You can't expect to have any friends if you don't **make an effort to talk** to people.

**Have difficulty (in) doing** something – Means you are unable to do something easily: She **had great difficulty finding** a job.

**Be or get used to doing** something – Be or become familiar with something because you have done it often before: Children soon **get used to spending** much of their free time playing computer games.

**Be worth doing** something – Be important or useful to do: It **was definitely worth reading** that book. I learnt so much.

**Stay/keep in touch with** someone – Continue to write or speak to someone although you do not see them often: They left the country but we have **stayed in touch**.

**Make up your mind to do** something – Make a decision: She **made up her mind to accept** the job.

**Have/take a look at** something – The act of looking at something: **Take a look at** this photo and see if you recognise my brother.

**Take into account** something – Consider something when you are trying to make a decision: We must **take into account** his illness when we evaluate his work.

**Be to blame for** something – Say or think that someone or something is responsible for an accident, problem, or bad situation: The hospital **was to blame for** the mistake.

**Take pride in** something – Be proud of something: He really **takes pride in** his achievements.

**Have a tendency to do** something – Tend to do something: You **have a tendency to exaggerate**.

**Have a good time** – Enjoy yourself: We **had a really good time** at your party.

**Change your mind** – Change a decision or an opinion: He **changed his mind** when he heard about the delay.

**Pay attention to** someone/something – Listen to, watch, or consider something or someone