

c Look at some common word pairs joined with *or*. What is the second word?

right or _____ sooner or _____ dead or _____
now or _____ all or _____
more or _____ once or _____

d (542) Listen and check your answers to b and c, and notice how the phrases are linked and how *and* is pronounced. Practise saying them.

e Match the word pair idioms with their meanings.

- 1 I'm **sick and tired** of hearing you complain.
- 2 I didn't buy much, just a few **bits and pieces**.
- 3 I've been having headaches **now and again**.
- 4 A What are you making for lunch? B **Wait and see**.
- 5 Every relationship needs a bit of **give and take**.
- 6 We've had our **ups and downs**, but now we get on really well.
- 7 The army were called in to restore **law and order**.
- 8 Despite flying through a storm we arrived **safe and sound**.

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| A good times and bad times | E compromise |
| B a situation in which the law is obeyed | F occasionally |
| C fed up with | G small things |
| D without problem or injury | H You'll soon find out. |

f Complete the sentences with a word pair from this page.

- 1 I see my uncle _____, but not very often.
- 2 I think this is our last chance. It's _____.
- 3 I much prefer _____ photos to colour ones. They're more atmospheric.
- 4 After lots of adventure, she arrived home _____.
- 5 Could you stop making so much noise? I need a bit of _____.
- 6 _____ Naomi will realize that Henry is not the man for her.
- 7 A Have you finished?
B _____ I just have one sentence left.
- 8 After the riots, the government sent soldiers in to try to establish _____.
- 9 I'm _____ of my boss! I'm going to look for a new job.
- 10 It was an amazing storm. There was a lot of _____.