

GRAMMAR EXTRA! Idiomatic ways to express purpose

6 Match the idiomatic phrases expressing purpose (1–8) with their meanings (a–h).

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| 1 on purpose | a for the purpose of |
| 2 with a view to | b looks casual but is deliberate |
| 3 accidentally on purpose | c deliberately |
| 4 for the sake of | d as a way to get something desirable |
| 5 at cross-purposes | e with a goal to |
| 6 for the good of | f with conflicting aims |
| 7 as a means to an end | g mission in life |
| 8 sense of purpose | h very good intentions of |

7 Complete the sentences with the idiomatic phrases (1–8) from Exercise 6.

- He's currently the sales manager and he's going on a management training course _____ him replacing a CEO one day.
- After her gap year they noticed she had a new _____ about her.
- He doesn't like being _____ with any of the staff and strives to clear any issues up in a timely fashion.
- _____ the shareholders, they cut further costs in the business including making some staff redundant.
- He attended the trade fair _____ and was soon working for a competitor in a higher position.
- She missed the train _____ so as to avoid travelling on such a full one.
- I think you forgot your sports kit _____ so you wouldn't have to go to the gym!
- There had to be some management changes made _____ the company.

VOCABULARY Solution collocations

6 Match the two parts of the sentences.

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| 1 She didn't solve | ☐ |
| 2 The team eventually managed to sort out | ☐ |
| 3 He never overcame | ☐ |
| 4 It was impossible to imagine how he'd done it, but eventually they got to the bottom | ☐ |
| 5 When Claire and Sally met in person they managed to clear up | ☐ |
| 6 He spent a good part of his research trying to crack | ☐ |
| 7 I wish we'd learned to think | ☐ |
| 8 It didn't take long to find | ☐ |

- his fear of heights.
- the problem in the mechanics.
- the misunderstanding they'd had over the phone.
- a solution this time.
- outside the box at school.
- the financial mess left by the previous manager.
- of the mystery.
- the riddle of the disappearing fish until she saw the cat.

WORDBUILDING Phrases with do

7 Complete the sentences. Use these words and phrases.

did her a good turn	does their bit	did the trick
do a double take	do it blindfolded	do me a favour
do you any harm	didn't do him justice	

- Going for a run really _____, I've just had a great idea.
- She's done the same task so many times that she could _____.
- Can you _____? I've misplaced his number. Can you send it again?
- If everyone _____, we'll be finished in no time.
- The review really _____. He was actually brilliant!
- Did you see him _____ when he saw the car she was driving?
- Well, she helped me, so I _____ too and told her about the flat.
- Don't worry, it's only herbal tea. It won't _____, it may even do some good!

WORD FOCUS *chance*

8 Complete the definitions with these words and phrases.

fat jump leave outside stand a take the off

- 1 a tiny possibility = an _____ chance
- 2 let fate take its course = _____ something to chance
- 3 with the hope/possibility that = on _____ chance
- 4 do something despite there being a risk = _____ a chance on someone/something
- 5 little likelihood / no way = _____ chance
- 6 accept an opportunity with enthusiasm = _____ at the chance
- 7 have a hope of success = _____ chance

9 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the phrases from Exercise 8.

- 1 She's got a _____ of passing the exam – she hasn't done enough work.
- 2 He heard he was on the shortlist and therefore _____ of getting the job.
- 3 I disagree; we need to plan ahead and not _____.
- 4 It's well worth _____ her because even though she's young, she's very keen to learn.
- 5 She was really excited when she was offered the opportunity to work in Spain and immediately _____.
- 6 I'm just ringing _____ you can shed some light on the test results.
- 7 There is an _____ of getting a seat on the next plane to New York.