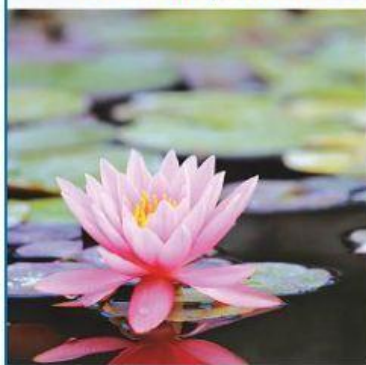




1 Read the text. Complete the tips with *do*, *make*, *have*, or *take*.

The best ways to deal with stress

Over 60% of adults say their lives are too stressful. So if you're stressed right now, you should stop for a minute and read our tips—they might be very helpful!



- 1** First, _____ a **deep breath** and give yourself time to think.
- 2** Then _____ a **list** of everything you have to do.
- 3** Next, _____ a **decision** about what you can realistically do today.
- 4** Remember to _____ a **break** every two or three hours.
- 5** You should _____ **something** that makes you feel happy.
- 6** Try to _____ a **talk** with friends and family about the situation.
- 7** And finally, _____ **your best** to eat well, exercise, and get at least eight hours' sleep.

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- 1 Do you think your life is stressful? Why/Why not?
- 2 What things make you feel stressed?
- 3 Do you think the tips are useful? Why/Why not?
- 4 Can you think of any other ways to deal with stress?

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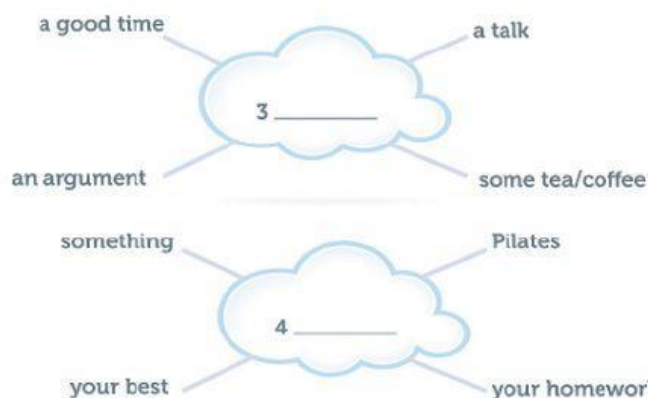
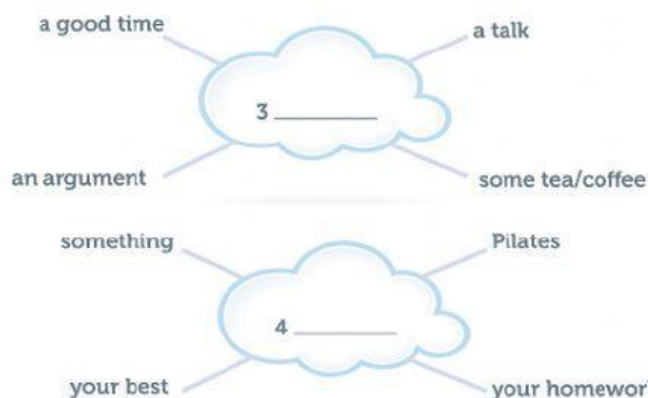
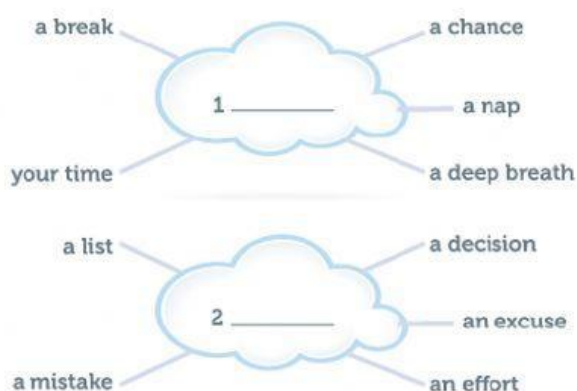
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5.5 Complete the diagrams with *do*, *make*, *have*, or *take*. Listen and check.



4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs *do*, *make*, *have*, or *take*.

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|--|---|
| 1 I _____ a bad argument with my parents last night. | 5 To relax, she _____ Pilates every day after work. |
| 2 Alvin always finishes his work late and _____ an excuse. | 6 We _____ a great time when we went to California. |
| 3 If you want to make good sushi, you have to _____ your time. | 7 Lisa _____ her best, but she failed the exam. |
| 4 Don't _____ any mistakes or you'll have to start over. | 8 I don't have a reservation, but I'm going to _____ a chance and go. |



Skill listening in detail

It is often important to understand what someone says in detail.

- Read the questions carefully and think about the possible answers.
- Listen carefully to everything the speaker says before you answer the question.
- Pay attention to how the things the speaker says relate to each other.
- Be careful in case the speaker changes his/her mind or corrects himself/herself.

5 **A** 5.6 Read the Skill box. Watch or listen to the first part of *Learning Curve*. Choose the correct options to answer the questions.

- How does Simon deal with stress?
a He makes a list of jobs. b He walks around. c He talks to his brother.
- How many people in the U.S. suffer from stress every day?
a 77% of citizens b 400,000 people c only a small number of people
- What do some scientists say about a small amount of stress?
a It can make us sick. b It makes us feel bored. c It can help us work better.



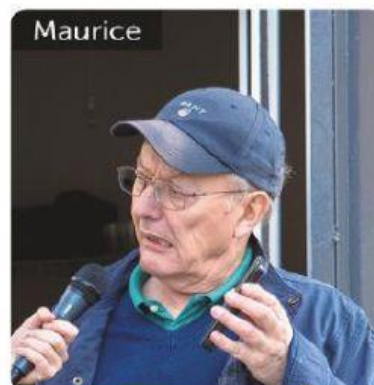
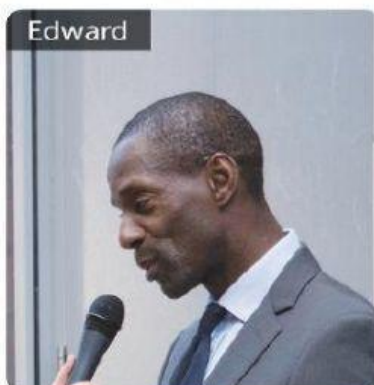
- 6** 1 Do you think life today is more stressful than 50 years ago? Why/Why not?
2 Do you think a little stress can be good for us? Why/Why not?

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2. _____

7 **A** 5.7 Watch or listen to the second part of the show. Match the names of the speakers with the tips for dealing with stress.

- 1 running _____ 2 speaking to family _____ 3 doing yoga _____



8  **5.7** Watch or listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Taylor helps people who suffer from stress. _____
- 2 She thinks complaining about stress can help. _____
- 3 Edward's boss makes him feel stressed at work. _____
- 4 He listens to music while he's running. _____
- 5 Maurice had a stressful job. _____
- 6 He uses his phone to deal with stress. _____

9  **5.9** Listen and complete the conversation.

Edward I don't think I can _____ more.

Lara What's wrong, Edward? Tell _____.

Edward I _____ work to do ... and no time!

Lara I can help. Let's _____ your jobs for today.

10 **ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:**

- 1 What do you think the biggest cause of stress is for most people?
- 2 What do you think the most stressful stage of our lives is?
- 3 Think of three stressful jobs. Are there any advantages to these jobs?
- 4 Think of three low-stress jobs. What kind of job would you prefer? Why?



ANSWERS HERE:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____
