

Idiomatic 'pairs'

Complete the first gap in each sentence with a word from the left-hand box, and the second gap in each sentence with a word from the right-hand box, to make idiom 'pairs'.

alive bits black by cheap
down fair hard heaven high
ins length pros safe sick
song spick up ups wear

about breadth cheerful cons dance
downs earth fast kicking mighty
large out outs pieces sound span
square tear tired white

1. I walked the _____ and _____ of the Woodstock Road looking for a chemist.
2. Tidy your room. I want it _____ and _____ by the time your father gets home.
3. I went shopping, but I didn't buy very much; just a few _____ and _____.
4. What are the _____ and _____ of working for a large company?
5. I hope you enjoy your holiday, but I won't be happy until you're _____ and _____ at home again.
6. A few years ago he was a millionaire, but he lost all his money and is now _____ and _____, living on the streets of London.
7. Your new job probably seems a bit strange at the moment, but you'll soon get to know the _____ and _____ of the company.
8. You're always complaining. I'm _____ and _____ of it!
9. I've been ill in bed for a while, but I'm _____ and _____ again.
10. I've had my computer for a couple of years, and it's beginning to show signs of _____ and _____.
11. Our new teacher is a bit bad-tempered, but _____ and _____ he's OK.
12. The company phoned me today to offer me the job, but I won't be happy until I see the offer in _____ and _____.
13. I know that the service in this restaurant is slow, but there's no point making a _____ and _____ about it: it won't achieve anything.
14. My boyfriend and I have our _____ and _____, but we usually get on very well together.
15. I would move _____ and _____ to get some tickets for tonight's concert.
16. Our new sales manager is a bit _____ and _____: she thinks she's much better than the rest of us.
17. What shall we drink with dinner? How about a bottle of something _____ and _____?
18. Susie lost the game, but admitted that she had been defeated _____ and _____.
19. Some people say that the British film industry is dead, but most people would agree that it's still _____ and _____.
20. The company I work for doesn't have any _____ and _____ rules about what we should wear to the office, but they like us to look smart.