

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.