

## Podcast “Ace the Curveball”

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pay it forward ramble stutter dive into go through the process  
flopped on gave her best shot hard to follow handle put much thought into  
buy the time input vague bring up get to the bottom

1. After hearing the shocking news, she needed a few minutes \_\_\_\_\_ before responding.
2. The sudden rainstorm \_\_\_\_\_ during our hike.
3. After years of saving, they finally \_\_\_\_\_ their dream house by the lake.
4. The movie was \_\_\_\_\_ a popular novel from the 1980s.
5. After receiving help from a stranger, he decided to \_\_\_\_\_ by helping someone else in need.
6. To adopt a pet from the shelter, you have to \_\_\_\_\_ of filling out forms and having a home visit.
7. The restaurant's new menu item \_\_\_\_\_ its first night because customers found it too spicy.
8. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ gardening and spent the whole weekend planting flowers.
9. He knows how to \_\_\_\_\_ difficult customers with patience and understanding.
10. The child began to \_\_\_\_\_ when he got nervous during the school play.
11. She pretended to look for her keys to \_\_\_\_\_ while thinking of an excuse.
12. The speaker began to \_\_\_\_\_ about unrelated topics, losing the audience's attention.
13. He didn't \_\_\_\_\_ his outfit and ended up wearing mismatched socks.
14. The instructions for assembling the furniture were \_\_\_\_\_, with missing steps and unclear diagrams.
15. She \_\_\_\_\_ in the cooking competition, even though she wasn't sure about the recipe.

16. Your \_\_\_\_\_ on this recipe is appreciated; do you think it needs more spice?
17. The directions were so \_\_\_\_\_ that we got lost trying to find the location.
18. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ her vacation plans at dinner, hoping to get her family's input.
19. The detective was determined to \_\_\_\_\_ of the mystery.