

07/The mind

Words you need...



- ▶ **to consider something** to think carefully about something
- ▶ **to decide (something)** to choose something after thinking about it
- ▶ **a decision** a choice you make after thinking about possible things
- ▶ **to guess (something)** to say what you think is true when you do not know all the facts
- ▶ **imagination** the ability to make pictures or ideas in your mind that are not real
- ▶ **to imagine something** to make a picture of something in your mind
- ▶ **a memory** something that you can remember
- ▶ **your memory** the part of your mind that remembers things

remember, forget and remind



Remember, forget and remind are common and useful words, which all have several related meanings.

If you **remember someone or something** you still have them in your mind, and if you **forget someone or something**, you do not have them in your mind:

- ▶ *Do you remember my cousin? I forgot his name.*

You can say that you **remember something** if you intend to bring it and you do. If you do not bring it, you **forget it**.

- ▶ *Did you remember your passport? I forgot my keys.*

If you **remember to do something**, you do what you intended to do, and if you **forget to do something**, you do not do it.

- ▶ *You must remember to call her. I forgot to buy some bread.*

If you **remind someone to do something**, you say something to help them to remember to do it.

- ▶ *Can you remind me to call Julie later?*

Exercise 1

Complete the second sentence so that it summarizes the first.

- 1 He said he thought the boy was about ten.
He guessed the boy's age.
- 2 When I want to get to sleep, I think about lying on a beach.
I _____ that I am on a beach.
- 3 She remembers all her friends' birthdays.
She has a very good _____.
- 4 My sister wanted us to start a business together, and I thought about it a lot.
I _____ her suggestion carefully.
- 5 To write successful stories, you need to be able to think of good ideas.
You need to have a good _____ to write successful stories.
- 6 I have to decide what I am going to study at college.
I need to make a _____ about what to study at college.

Exercise 2

Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

- 1 Did you remember [send/to send] Dad a birthday card?
- 2 My sister always forgets her keys if I don't remind [she/her] to take them.
- 3 She wrote a book about her memories [of/from] life in the army.
- 4 We made the difficult decision [closing/to close] the business.
- 5 Dan asked us to give him some money. We agreed to consider [it/him].
- 6 Don't forget [to bring/bring] some money for drinks.

Exercise 3



Complete what Maria says about visiting her great-grandmother. Listen and check.

Today I ¹ decided to visit my great-grandmother. I enjoy listening to her ² _____ of growing up in a mountain village. She ³ _____ so much about the past, but she is not so clear about the present. My mother has to call her every day to ⁴ _____ her to take her medicine. Once, she ⁵ _____ and she became ill. My mother says she should come and live with us. She promised to ⁶ _____ it, but I don't think she will – she loves where she lives.

