

A New Beginning

Use the **phrasal verbs** to complete the story. Do not forget to conjugate them in case you consider it necessary.

fed up with
count on
cut down
find out
give up (X2)
turn over
get ahead
look for
figure out
turn down
get behind



For years, Daniel worked at a small company. He worked long hours, but he didn't _____ much money, and he felt that he wasn't making progress in his career. He was _____ his routine and wanted to change his life, but he was afraid of failing.

One day, he _____ that his company was planning to close its local office. At first, he felt completely lost. He had a family to support and bills to pay. He knew he had to _____ a new job, but he didn't know where to start.

Daniel decided not to _____. He spent his evenings learning new computer skills and sending applications to different companies. Sometimes, he couldn't _____ why employers weren't interested in him. He received several negative answers, and one company even _____ his application after an interview.

After a few months, Daniel started to feel discouraged. He was worried that he was falling behind while other people were getting better jobs and earning more money. However, his sister encouraged him to keep trying. She told him that he could always _____ her whenever he needed help.

Daniel also decided to _____ on unnecessary expenses. He stopped eating out so often, canceled a few subscriptions, and saved the money for an online course.

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Eventually, his hard work paid off. He got a job at a growing technology company. The salary was better, and he had opportunities to _____ in his career. His new colleagues were friendly, and his manager was always ready to _____ his ideas and support his professional development.

A year later, Daniel looked back on his experience and realized something important: life challenges can make us stronger. He hadn't achieved everything he wanted, but he had learned to be patient, ask for help, and believe in himself. Most importantly, he understood that success doesn't always come quickly. Sometimes, moving forward simply means refusing to _____.