

## phrasal verbs

**chip in (with something)** = to add something to someone else's conversation

**figure out something** = to be able to understand something or to solve a problem

## fixed phrases

**a shade of meaning/opinion/feeling etc.** = a meaning etc that is slightly different from other ones

**You might want to ...** = used to make a suggestion or suggest a possibility in a polite way

**What do you make of (something/it)?** = What do you think about it?

**drop a hint** = give a hint or hints as if casually or unconsciously

**off the top of my head** = say it without thinking about it much before you speak, especially because you do not have enough time

**To my way of thinking, ...** = in my opinion

**run a risk of doing something** = to be in a situation where there is a possibility that something bad could happen to you

**pop into my head/mind** = to suddenly think of something

**read between the lines** = look for or discover a meaning that is implied rather than explicitly stated.

**an awful lot + comparatives (e.g. better)** = much (better etc.)

## vocabulary

**illustrate (v)** = to show the meaning or truth of something more clearly, especially by giving examples

**per se (adv)** = by or of itself

**day-to-day (adj)** = [before noun] happening every day as a regular part of your job or life

**tactful (adj)** = careful not to say or do anything that could upset someone

**demonstrate (v)** = to show or describe how to do something or how something works

**subtle (adj)** = small but important

**tantrum (n)** = a sudden period of uncontrolled anger like a young child's

**interlocutor (n)** = your interlocuter is the person you are speaking to

**scenario (n)** = a description of possible actions or events in the future