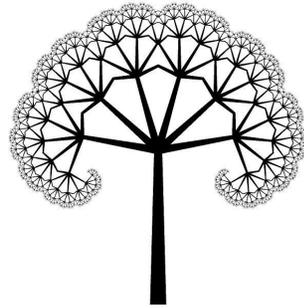


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after

go after - to pursue something, to try to get something

The lion went after the gazelle.

take after - to resemble someone, to look like someone

He takes after his father, they have the same chin.

against

be against - to be opposed to and idea

She is against abortion.

go against - to do something someone else doesn't want you to do

He went against his father's wishes and got a tattoo.

have against - to have bad feelings toward someone

He's not that bad. What do you have against him?

use against - to incriminate

Anything you say can be used against you in a court of law.

along

bring along

- to bring something with you when you go somewhere

You're going to DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles)? Bring along a book, you'll be waiting for a long time.

come along

- to accompany someone

Wherever I go, my dog likes to come along.

sing along

- to sing with a song that's already being sung

*Everyone knew the words so we all started to sing along.***along with**

get along with

- to have a friendly relationship with someone

Even though they are each very different, they all get along with each other.

go along with

- to pretend you believe something

I knew the story was a lie, but I went along with it anyway.

around

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come around

- to finally agree with someone

So now you see things my way? I knew you'd come around!

carry around

- to have something with you often

He carries around a pocket knife in case he needs to open something.

drive around

- to drive without a clear destination

We drove around all night looking for a restaurant.

go around

- to repeatedly do something

You don't see me going around telling everyone!

hang around

- to spend idle time somewhere

He used to hang around at bars a lot.

look around

- to check a place out

Cool bookstore! Do you mind if I come in and look around a bit?

run around - to run without a clear destination

He's running around like a chicken with its head cut off.

sleep around - to have multiple sexual partners

He doesn't want to date seriously, he just wants to sleep around.

walk around - to walk without a clear destination

I really want to explore this city. Let's go walk around!

away

give away - to give something to someone for free (often someone you don't know)

The man gave away all of his things and became a monk.

go away - to leave, or to disappear

I can't see you on the webcam; your image went away.

put away - to store something

Please put away all of your notes and books, the test will now begin.

take away - to remove something (often against someone's will)

The teacher took away the student's cell phone when she caught him using it in class.

throw away - to dispose of into the garbage

Do you need this? Or do you want me to throw it away?

by

stand by - to wait for a request or order

Call now! Operators are standing by.

down

let down - to disappoint someone

I can't believe you did that! You've really let me down.

put down - to insult someone

He is being rude, calling me names and putting me down.

shoot down - to reject an idea

The boss totally shot down my idea to have shirtless Fridays.

stand down - to resign from a position (often military)

After the crushing defeat, the general decided to stand down.

down on

come down on - to have a harsh reaction to someone

The judge came down hard on the criminal, sentencing him to 50 years in prison.

look down on - to be disapproving of something

Society looks down on people who smoke.

down to

be down to - to be willing to do something (slang)

I'm down to check out this new movie.

talk down to - to speak to someone in a disrespectful way
She's always talking down to me, like she thinks I'm dumb.

down with

be down with - to support a person, cause, or idea
I think it's a great idea, I'm totally down with it!

for

be (all) for - to be entirely in agreement with something
I'm all for equal rights!

fall for - to be tricked or deceived by something
She played a trick on him and he fell for it.

go for - to make an attempt
It will be difficult, but I think we should go for it

look for - to seek

I'm looking for a particular book, can you help me find it?

send for - to hire someone to go get something or someone

I am going to travel to the new country, and in a few months I will send for you.

stand for - to represent a belief

The flag stands for freedom,

stand for - to represent a word (acronym)

USA stands for the Unites States of America.

not stand for - not to tolerate

This is unacceptable. I will not stand for it!

in

give in - to agree to something you previously did not agree with

The child kept begging her father for ice cream until the father finally gave in.

in on

be in on - to be priviledged to some secret information

The driver was in on the prank.

get in on - to partake in some activity

Hey, get in on this poker game!

off

give off - to emit, or put into the air

The flowers gave off a sweet smell.

put off - to disgust someone

He put off his date by talking non-stop about his ex girlfriends.

see off - to say goodbye

We went to the airport to see her off.

sleep off - to sleep until something changes in your body

I have a bad hangover, but don't want to take anything. I'll just sleep it off.

take off - to begin to fly

The plane took off late from the airport.

throw off - to confuse

I wasn't expecting to see him there so it really threw me off.

off on

go off on - to yell and scream at

She was so mad. She started yelling and screaming. She completely went off on him.

off with

make off with - to steal successfully steal something

The thief made off with \$1,000 in jewelry.

on

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be on - to be performing well

He's playing a great game! He's on tonight.

carry on - to resume doing something

Everyone stopped when the General entered the room. When he left, we all carried on.

out

fall out - to disperse (military term)

Everyone ready? Ok. Fall out!

give out - to stop functioning

He ran for 15 miles and then his legs gave out.

hang out - to spend time with friends

Everyone was hanging out in the living room, eating pizza and watching the game.

leave out - to omit information

He left that detail out on his resume.

make out - to kiss continuously

They made out the entire movie.

put out - to inconvenience someone

Are you sure you don't mind if I stay here? I don't want to put you out.

roll out - to present a new product or service

The car company is rolling out a new line of cars.

run out - to have no more of something

There are no more beers in the refrigerator. Did we run out?

sell out - to betray your values in favor of money

He used to be a great artist, but he sold out to his record label.

stand out - to be distinguished

He's the only person wearing pink...he really stands out.

out for

be out for - to care about

He is selfish, he is only out for himself.

look out for - to protect

The older brother looks out for his little sister.

out to

set out to - to have the intention of doing something

The young entrepreneur set out to make a million dollars in his first year.

to

come to - to regain consciousness

When the boxer came to, he realized he had lost the fight.

look to - to seek guidance from someone

Everyone at the company looks to her for advice and support.

see to - to make sure that something happens

See to it that this never happens again!

up

give up - to quit, surrender, or stop doing something

The situation is impossible. I give up!

hang up - to end a phone call

I need to hang up, I'll call you back.

let up - to decrease intensity

After a few hours, the rain began to let up.

make up - to forgive each other after a fight

After the argument, both parties were able to make up and be friends again.

play up - to exaggerate

He played up his experience at the job interview.

take up - to begin a new hobby

I'm thinking about taking up horseback riding.

throw up - to vomit

Those hotdogs were nasty. I think I'm going to throw up.

wrap up - to end

This guy has been talking for 20 minutes. Wrap it up!

up against

be up against - to have to confront someone or something

We are up against some very tough competition.

up for

be up for - to be willing to do something

Let's go skydiving. Are you up for it?

up on

be up on - to be current on news or trends

He's very well-informed - always up on the latest events.

up to

be up to - to be doing

Hey, what are you up to right now?

leave up to - to let someone else make a decision

I don't care either way. I'm going to leave it up to you.

work up to - to become accustomed to something little by little

That exercise routine is very intense. I am going to have to work up to it.

up with

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meet up with

- to get together with someone

I met up with my friend at a café.