

IDIOMS & PHRASAL VERBS

Work and Study

B1 | Adults / Teens | Idioms + Discussion | 45-60 minutes

Topic: Education | Skills: Vocabulary, Speaking

Study the phrases and examples. Discuss the questions and try to use the new language.

USEFUL LANGUAGE

1. catch up on	do work or study that you have missed	I stayed home to catch up on my reading.
2. hand in	give completed work to a teacher or manager	Please hand in your project on Friday.
3. work out	find an answer or solution	We worked out the answer together.
4. go over	review something carefully	Let us go over these instructions once more.
5. keep up with	progress at the same speed as someone or something	I read every day to keep up with the class.
6. pick up	learn something through experience rather than formal study	She picked up some Italian while working in Rome.
7. get the hang of	learn how to do something	After some practice, I got the hang of the software.
8. learn by heart	learn something so you can remember it exactly	We learnt the short poem by heart.

DISCUSSION

1. How do you catch up on work after being away?
2. Do you usually hand in work early or close to the deadline?
3. Do you prefer to work out problems alone or with other people?
4. What do you usually go over before a test or meeting?
5. What helps you keep up with a busy course?
6. What skill have you picked up outside school?
7. What took you a while to get the hang of?
8. What is useful to learn by heart, and what is not?