

891 toy

What was your favourite toy when you were a child? My favourite ...

was...

attempt

mountaineer

If you attempted to learn another language at the same time as English, do you think you'd get confused? Yes, if I attempted ..., I think I'd ... ~ No, if I attempted ..., I don't think I'd ... Was Mount Everest conquered at the first attempt? No, Mount Everest

wasn't ...; many mountaineers attempted to climb it before it was finally conquered

bow /bəʊ/ bow /	/bau/
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bow tie

Do men sometimes have to wear bow ties on very formal occasions? Yes, men sometimes have to ...

rainbow

What two things do we need for a rainbow to appear? We need sunshine and drops of water in the atmosphere for a rainbow to appear

Name a country where it's common to bow when you're introduced to someone in a formal situation. ... is a country where ...

892 stove

A stove can either be used for heating or for cooking, and can run on gas, electricity, wood etc.

run on

What can we use a stove for, and what can it run on?

We can use ... and it can run on ...

cupboard

What kind of things do people keep in their kitchen cupboards? People keep food, plates, cups, glasses etc. in their kitchen cupboards

current

Who is the current leader of the government in this country? The current leader ...

awkward

Is it quite normal to feel awkward during job interviews? Yes, it's quite ... Do you find some corkscrews awkward to use? Yes, I find ... ~ No, I don't find ... What has been the most awkward moment of your life; that is, the most embarrassing moment? The most awkward ... was ...

well

What do we call a hole in the ground from which we get water? We call a hole in ... a well

893 fan

goat	horn	rocky	hillside
Are you a fan of any football club?			Yes, I'm a fan ~ No, I'm not a fan
Is there an ele	ctric fan in this room?		Yes, there's ~ No, there isn't
What am I doi	ng?	You're fannin	g yourself with your book

Tell me something about goats, please. Goats have two horns and a beard, they give milk, they often live on mountains or rocky hillsides etc.

pinch

What am I doing?

You're pinching your arm

What does it mean in a recipe when it says "add a pinch of salt"?

When it says "add ..."

in a recipe, it means that you should

add a small amount of salt, the amount

you can hold between your finger and thumb

propose

If we put a gerund after the verb "propose", it means "suggest"; if we put an infinitive after it, it means "intend". For example, "I propose going" means the same as "I suggest that we go", whereas "I propose to go" means "I intend to go".

894 What's the difference between "I propose going" and "I propose to go"? The difference ... is that "I propose going" means the same as "I suggest that we go", whereas "I propose to go" means "I intend to go"

Give me an example of "propose" followed by a gerund, please. Charles proposed moving the staff to a larger office, but the idea was not popular with the other managers

Give me an example of "propose" followed by an infinitive, please. When I finish this job, I propose to take a long holiday

total	billion	
What's the total population of the	e worl d ?	The total about billion
swing – swung – swung	to an	d fro
What am I doing?	You're swinging your pen to and fro, holding it between your finger and thumb	
What's my pen doing?	Your per	n's swinging to and fro

funny

Apart from meaning "amusing", the word "funny" can also mean "strange". For example, "It's funny that Richard hasn't contacted us recently; I wonder if he's OK".

895 Give me an example of the word "funny" with the meaning of "strange", please. When I arrived in the village,

I had a funny feeling I'd been there before

crossword jigsaw puzzle

Where do we often see crossword puzzles printed? We often ... in newspapers

If you wanted to do a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle, would you need a big table to spread out all the pieces on? Yes, if I wanted to ..., I'd need ... ~ No, if I wanted to ..., I wouldn't need ...

accompany

Do very young children have to be accompanied by an adult when they fly on an aeroplane? Yes, very young children have to ...

swear

Before giving evidence in a court of law, does a witness have to swear to tell the truth? Yes, before giving ..., a witness has to ...

strip	stripe	undress	
What's another	word for "undress"?	Another word is "strip"	
What am I about to do?		You're about to tear a strip of paperout of your book	
Do you think clothes with vertical strings make people look slimmer?			

896 Do you think clothes with vertical stripes make people look slimmer? Yes, I think ... ~ No, I don't think ...

balloon	burst	burst into tears
What am I pretending to	do?	You're pretending to blow up a balloon and burst it
What does the expressio		n? The expression ans to start crying suddenly
Give me an example, plea		oy burst into tears when he realized his toy was broken

swell - swelled - swelled (or swell - swelled - swollen)

swelling

What usually happens to that area of the body where a bee or some		
other insect has stung us?	That area of the body where	
	usually swells up (or becomes swollen)	
What do we do with the swelling?	We either do nothing	
	and wait for it to go away by itself, or we	
put sc	mething on it, like a cream or something	
What are the three forms of "swell"?	The three forms of "swell" are	
	"swell, swelled, swelled"	
	(or "swell, swelled, swollen")	
What happens when a river swells and	bursts its banks? When a river,	
	the surrounding land becomes flooded	