

## don't mention it

This is a polite response when someone thanks you.



## MORE EXAMPLES

A: "Here's your umbrella. You forgot it."

B: "Oh, thank you!"

A: "**Don't mention it.**"

A: "Thanks for mailing those letters for me."

B: "**Don't mention it.**"

## Would you mind doing something?

Ask this to make a very polite request.

~~NOT Would you mind to~~



### MORE EXAMPLES

**“Would you mind moving your car out of the way? I want to park here.”**

A: “Sir, **would you mind not smoking here?**”

B: “Sorry. I’ll smoke outside.”

For *move something out of the way*, see page 18

## **sold out**

**all sold** so that **there is no more**



### **MORE EXAMPLES**

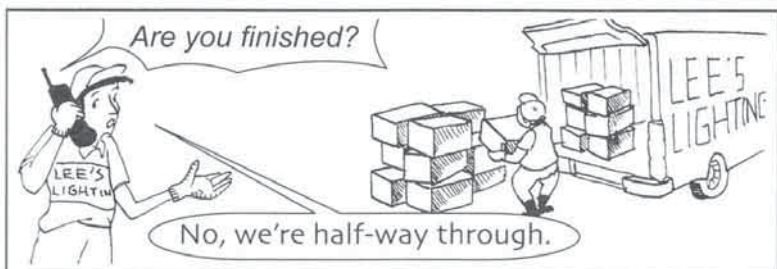
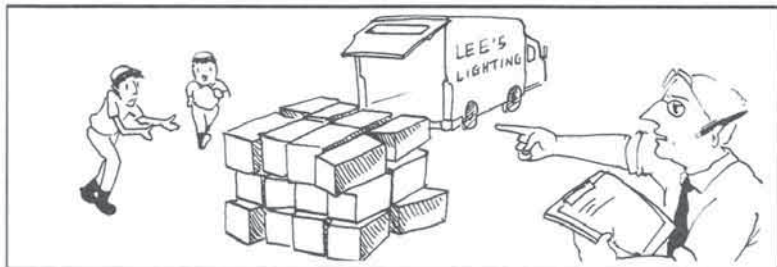
“We couldn’t go to the show because the tickets were **sold out**.”

“The fish was **sold out**, so I bought chicken instead of fish.”

For *instead of*, see page 173

## half-way through

Say this when you have finished  
50% of something.



### MORE EXAMPLES

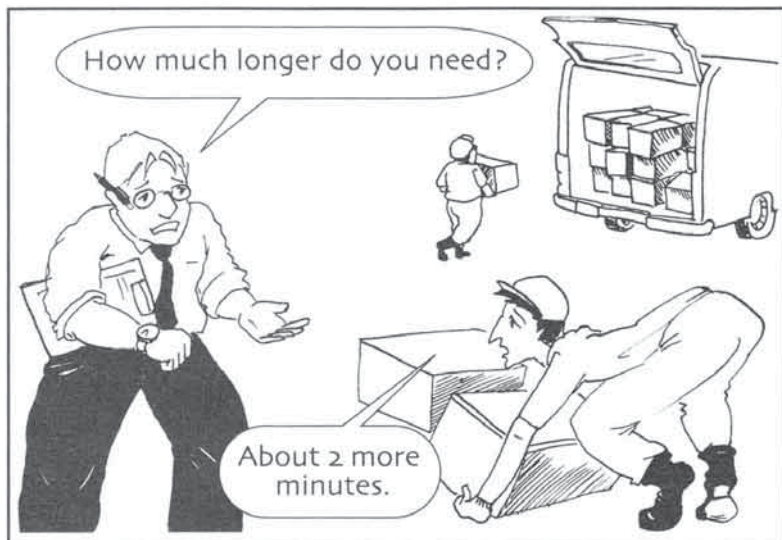
“This book is 1,000 pages long! I’m **half-way through**. I’m on page 500.”

“He’s **half-way through** his MBA program. It’s a two-year program, and he just finished the first year.”



## how much longer

how much more time



### MORE EXAMPLES

A: "She hasn't finished the job yet."

B: "**How much longer** will it take?"

A: "**How much longer** do you need to cook dinner? I'm hungry."

B: "Another 20 minutes. I'm only half-way through."

For *half-way through*, see page 137

**take** the highway

**go on** the highway



### MORE EXAMPLES

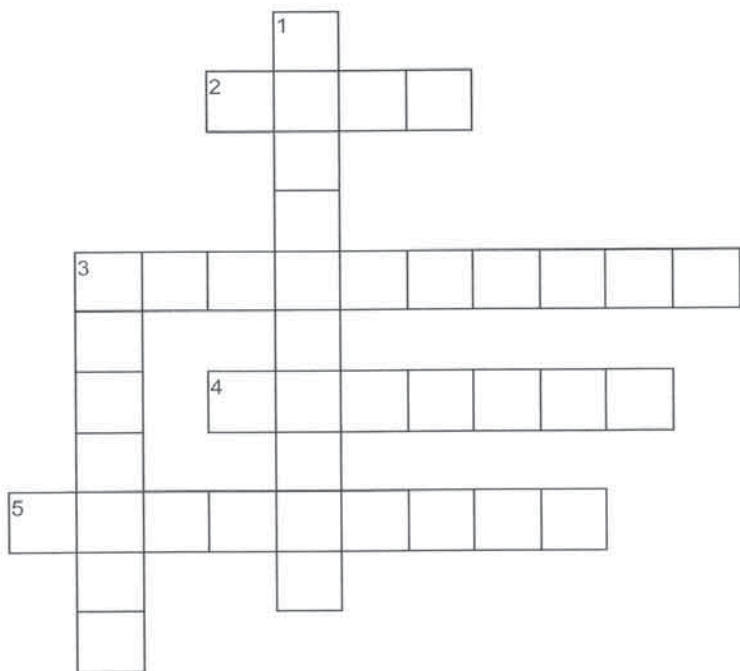
“We got lost on our way here. We **took** the wrong street.”

“Don’t **take** Main Street during rush hour. You’ll be stuck in traffic.”

For *on our way*, see page 53

For *stuck in traffic*, see page 23

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### ACROSS

- 2) "How do I get to the airport?" ■ "\_\_\_ Bedford Street all the way."
- 3) "We have been waiting for Joe for 30 minutes! How \_\_\_ \_\_\_ should we wait?" ■ "Let's wait five more minutes."
- 4) "I went to the store, but they didn't have any more milk. The milk was \_\_\_ \_\_\_."
- 5) "I don't want to go to the dentist alone. Would you \_\_\_ \_\_\_ with me?"

### DOWN

- 1) "I have to photocopy 80 pages. I've already photocopied 40 pages, so I'm half-\_\_\_ \_\_\_."
- 3) "Thanks for helping me." ■ "Don't \_\_\_ it."

*For answers, see page 366*