

wrap up
finish a meeting



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A: "Sorry I missed the meeting. What time did you **wrap up**?"

B: "At 5 o'clock."

"I'd like to **wrap up** this meeting by 6 o'clock, so let's move on to the next point now."

For *by 6 o'clock*, see page 117

For *move on*, see page 209

there's no point

there's no reason

Say this when it is not useful to do something.



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A: "Let's go to the mall."

B: "**There's no point.** It's closed now."

A: "Should I fix this printer?"

B: "No, it's too old. **There's no point in fixing** it. It will just break again."

NOTE: sometimes **there's no point in + _ing**

calm down

become relaxed



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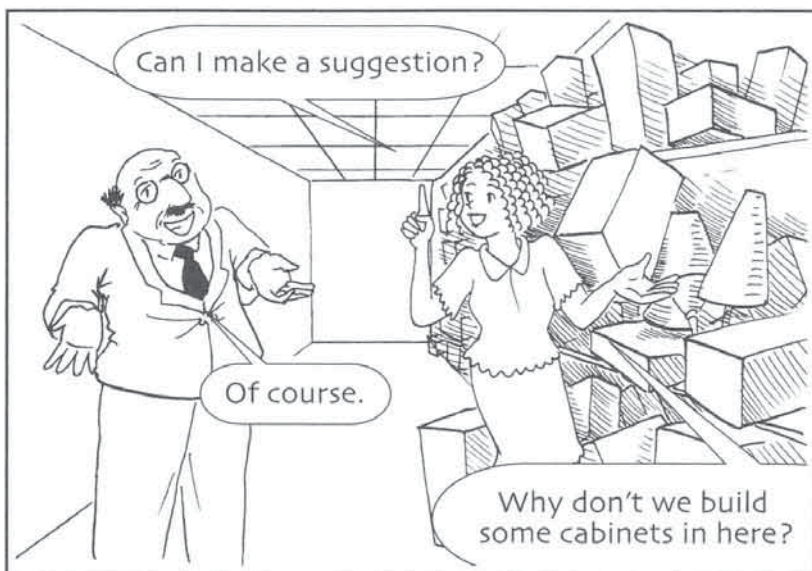
A: "I'm so angry at Maria. I'm going to talk to her right now!"

B: "You should **calm down** before you talk to her."

"I always feel nervous before a job interview. So I sit quietly and try to **calm down** first."

Can I make a suggestion?

You can ask this before suggesting something.



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A: "I don't like taking the bus."

B: "**Can I make a suggestion?**"

A: "Okay."

B: "Why don't you take the train instead of the bus?"

A: "This office is dark."

B: "**Can I make a suggestion?**"

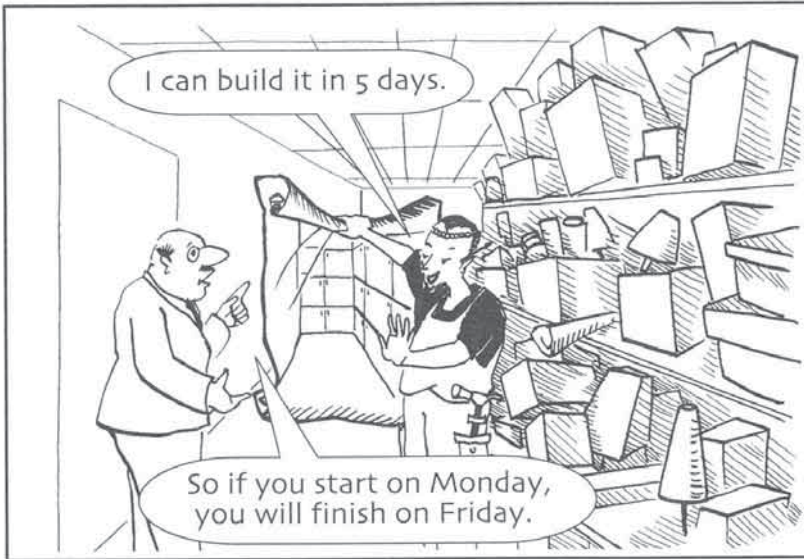
A: "Sure."

B: "Let's paint it yellow."

For *instead of*, see page 173

do something **in** five days

it **takes** five days **to complete** something



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“She can run five miles **in** 30 minutes!”

“He ate six burgers **in** five minutes! No wonder he’s sick!”

For *no wonder*, see page 20

For a different meaning of *in*, see page 12

for the time being
at this time only; not forever

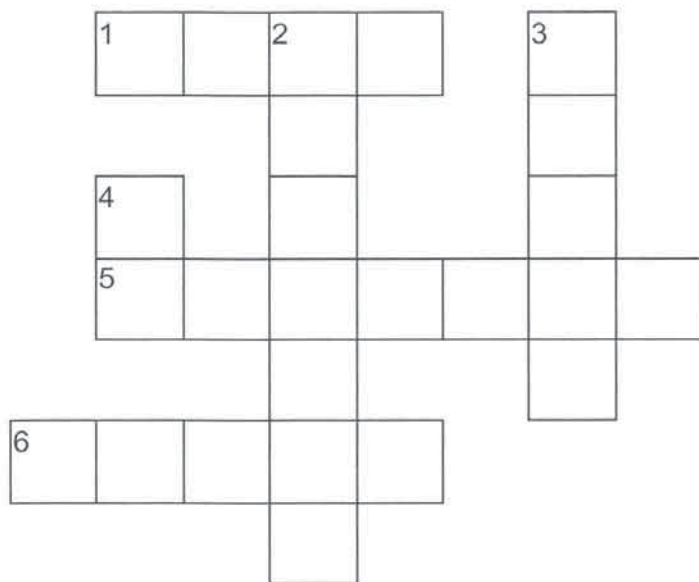


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"We plan to buy a house, but **for the time being** we're living with my parents."

"I'm working as a waiter **for the time being**. But I hope to become a doctor."

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ACROSS

- 1) "Kids, stop running around the house! Please calm ___ and sit quietly."
- 5) "You should paint your house." ■ "There's ___ in painting it. I'm moving next month."
- 6) "I don't like my hairstyle!" ■ "Can I ___ suggestion?" ■ "Sure." ■ "Get it cut short."

DOWN

- 2) "The meeting was so long. We finally ___ up at 8 p.m.!"
- 3) "My car is at the repair shop, so I'm using a bicycle for the time ___."
- 4) "How long does it take to walk to the bank?"
■ "I can walk there ___ five minutes."

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