

## I see your point

I understand your opinion or feelings



### MORE EXAMPLES

A: "If you buy a car, you won't have enough money to buy a house."

B: "**I see your point**, but I need a car to get to work."

A: "You often borrow my car and use all the gas! Gas is expensive."

B: "Yes, **I see your point**. I'll buy gas next time."

## it's not worth it

it requires too much effort for a small result



### MORE EXAMPLES

A: "Are you going to paint your house?"

B: "No. **It's not worth it.** We are moving next year."

A: "If you clean my house, I'll give you five bucks."

B: "Five bucks? No thanks. **It's not worth it.**"

NOTE: bucks = dollars

## can afford / can't afford

have enough money / don't have enough money



### MORE EXAMPLES

"I **can't afford** a car, so I bought a bicycle."

"Big companies **can afford** to buy any computer system that they want."

## the same as

NOT ~~same like~~



### MORE EXAMPLES 🗨️

A: "I'm going to order a burger."

B: "I'll have **the same as** you."

A: "Is your new office bigger than your old one?"

B: "No. It's **the same** size **as** the old office."



**any minute now**

**very soon**



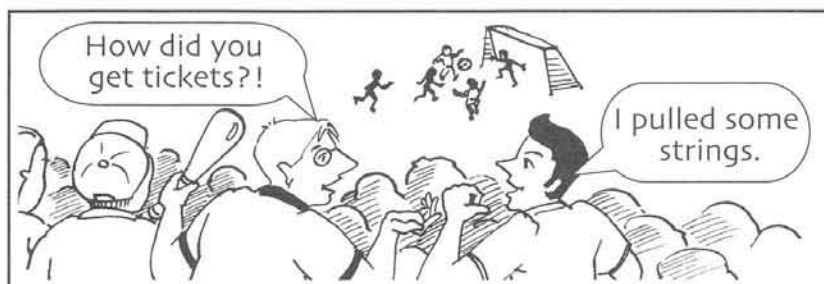
**MORE EXAMPLES** 🗨️

“Fred is outside parking his car. He’ll be here **any minute now.**”

“Would everyone please sit down? Ivan is going to start the meeting **any minute now.**”

## pull strings

use personal contacts to get something



### MORE EXAMPLES

A: "How did he become vice president of the company?"

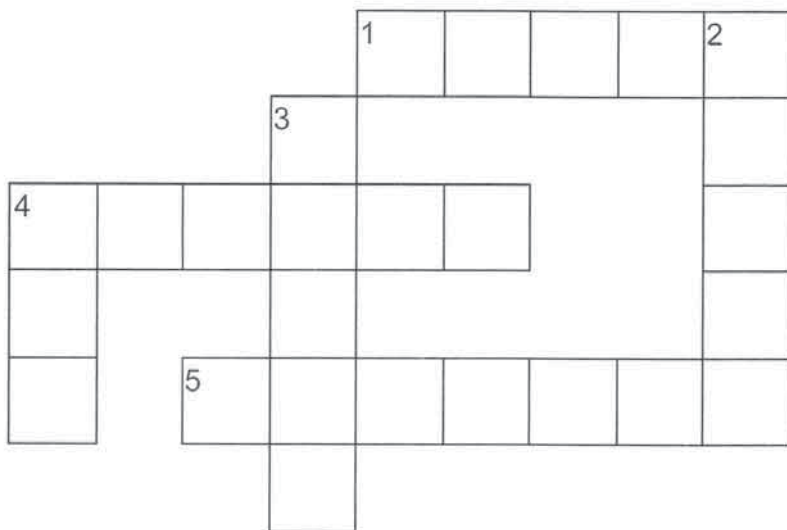
B: "His father is the president. His father **pulled** some **strings**."

A: "I'd like to work for ABC Company."

B: "My uncle works there."

A: "Maybe he can **pull** a few **strings** for me."

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### ACROSS

- 1) "Let's not leave at 8 o'clock. There will be less traffic at 10." ■ "I see your \_\_\_\_\_. Let's leave at 10."
- 4) "Those shoes cost \$99. I only have \$50. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ those shoes."
- 5) "My friend works at this restaurant. Maybe he can pull some \_\_\_\_\_ and get us a good table."

### DOWN

- 2) "My car is a Firebird." ■ "I have \_\_\_\_\_ same car \_\_\_\_\_ you! My car is a Firebird too!"
- 3) "The movie theater is 20 miles from here."
  - "Drive 20 miles just to see a movie? It's not \_\_\_\_\_ it."
- 4) "Please wait near the door. The taxi will be here \_\_\_\_\_ minute now."

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