

look into something

investigate; research

**MORE EXAMPLES** 🗨️

"We just moved to a new city. We're **looking into** schools for our children."

A: "There's a problem with my bill."

B: "I'll **look into** the problem right away."

For *right away*, see page 31

reach someone

contact someone **by phone, email, fax, etc.**



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A: "How can I **reach** you?"

B: "You can email me at this address."

"I'll be away on business for a few days, so you won't be able to **reach** me at the office."

For *away on business*, see page 262

get by

manage but with difficulty



MORE EXAMPLES

“My car broke down. I have to **get by** with my bicycle for a few days.”

“We don’t have much money, but we can **get by** if we don’t spend much.”

How long does it take to get to a place?

How much time is needed to arrive at a place?



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A: "How long does it take to get to Montreal from Toronto?"

B: "It takes about five hours."

A: "How long does it take to get to the bank?"

B: "Not long. It's a five-minute walk."

Would it be possible for someone to...?

This is a polite request.

Say this when you don't know if
someone can help you.



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“Would it be possible for me to see the doctor today? I don't have an appointment.”

A: **“Would it be possible for you to lend me \$300?”**

B: **“\$300! That's a lot of money!”**

For *lend*, see page 225

find out

get a piece of information



MORE EXAMPLES

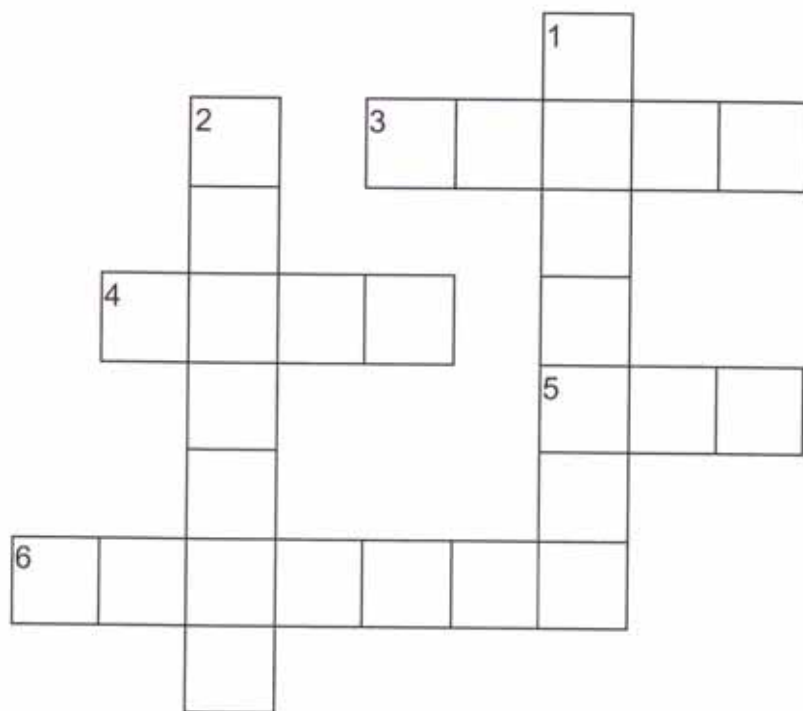
A: "Let's go see that new movie tonight."

B: "Okay. I'll **find out** when it starts."

A: "How old is Jane?"

B: "I don't know, but I can **find out**. I'll ask her sister."

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- 3) "If you need to speak to me, you can ___ me at home on most evenings."
- 4) "Teacher, a student is crying!" ▪ "Thank you. I'll look ___ the problem right now."
- 5) "I can't speak English well, but I can ___ by."
- 6) "I'm going to Boston next week. ___ ___ be possible for me stay at your house?"

DOWN

- 1) "How long does it ___ to ___ to the airport?"
▪ "About 30 minutes by car."
- 2) "When does his flight arrive?" ▪ "I don't know, but I'll ___ ___. I'll call the airline."

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