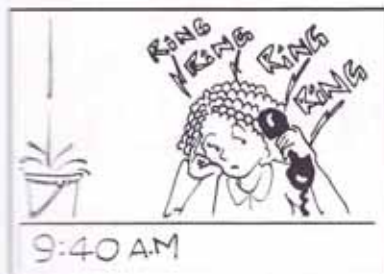


get through

make contact with someone by phone



MORE EXAMPLES

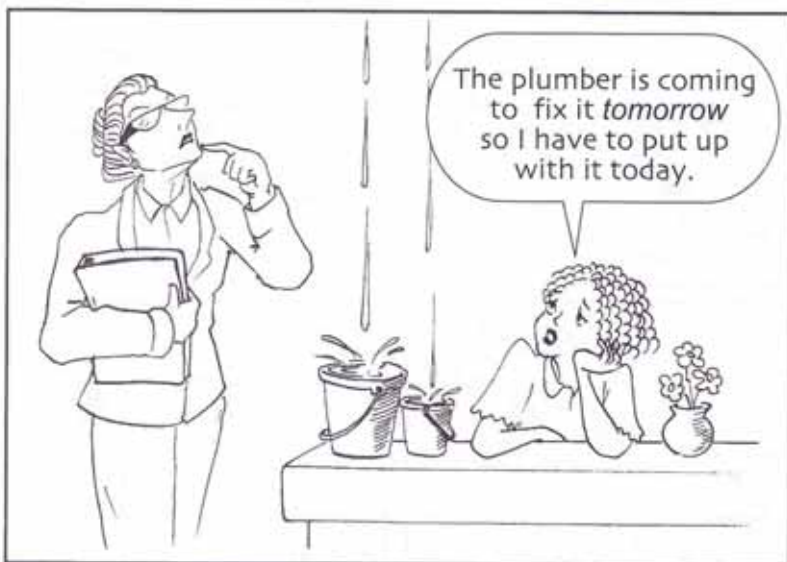
A: "I tried to call you, but I couldn't **get through**."

B: "Sorry. I turned off my cell phone."

"Don't call the bank at lunchtime. They are so busy. It's difficult to **get through**."

For *it's difficult to*, see page 300

put up with something
accept something bad



MORE EXAMPLES 🗨️

"Your neighbor's dog is so noisy! How can you **put up with** the noise?"

"My office is freezing, but I **put up with** it because I love my job."

NOTE: freezing = very cold

right away

immediately; now



MORE EXAMPLES

A: "Waiter! I ordered soup 30 minutes ago!"

B: "I'm sorry, Sir. I'll bring it **right away**."

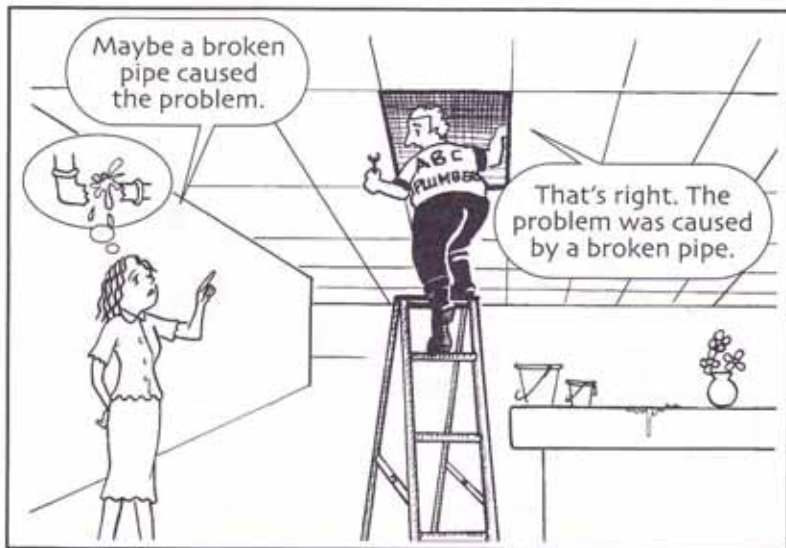
A: "The client is waiting. He needs the report."

B: "I'll get it **right away**."

For ago, see page 46

**x caused y /
y was caused by x**

x made y happen / y happened because of x



MORE EXAMPLES

A: "What **caused** the delay?"

B: "Heavy rain **caused** the delay."

A: "The goods are damaged!"

B: "The damage **was caused by** the shipping department."

it's not the end of the world

the situation is not very bad



MORE EXAMPLES

"I hurt my knee, but **it's not the end of the world**. I can still play golf."

A: "I failed my driving test!"

B: "**It's not the end of the world**. You can take the test again."

in the same boat

in the same bad situation



MORE EXAMPLES

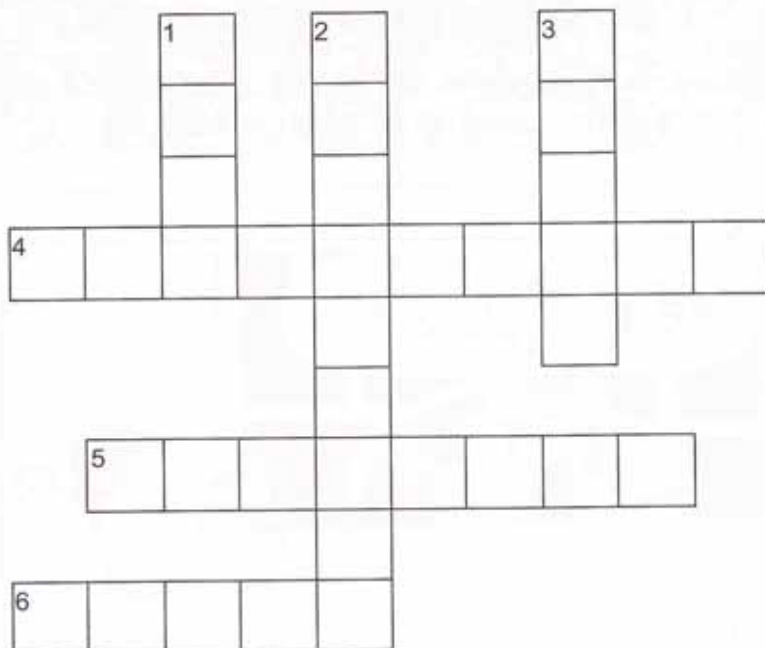
A: "My husband is often away on business."

B: "So is mine! We're **in the same boat.**"

"We all lost money last year. We're all **in the same boat.**"

For *away on business*, see page 262

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ACROSS

- 4) "I called Fred 10 times, but I can't _____. The line is always busy."
- 5) "I lost your report!" ■ "Don't worry. It's not the end of _____. I can print another copy."
- 6) "What caused the car accident?" ■ "The accident _____ caused _____ ice on the road."

DOWN

- 1) "I lost my job this year." ■ "I lost my job too! We are in the same _____."
- 2) "Joe is sick. Call the doctor!" ■ "Let's wait."
■ "No, don't wait! Call him _____!"
- 3) "My wife talks too much! She'll never change, so I _____ with her talking."

For answers, see page 365