

on the other hand

Say this before you give an opposite or contrasting idea.



MORE EXAMPLES

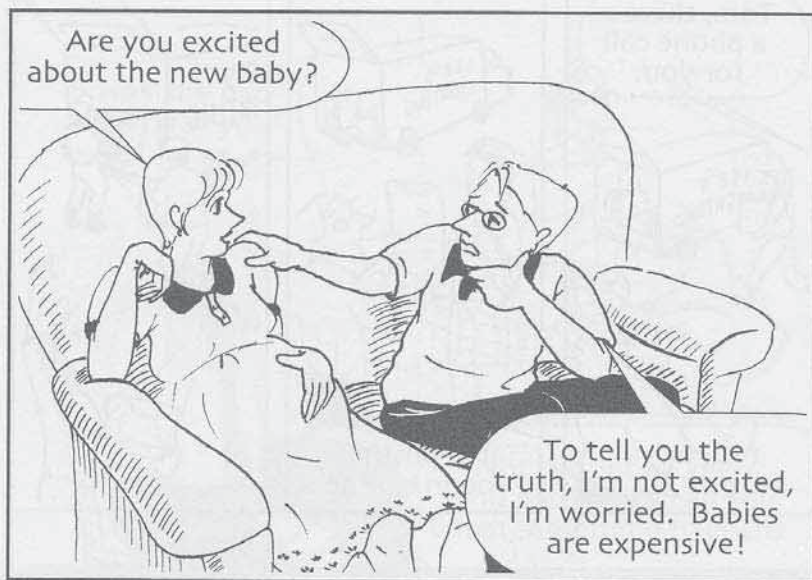
"Studying medicine is very interesting. **On the other hand**, it's very difficult."

A: "London is a beautiful city."

B: "Yes, but **on the other hand**, it rains a lot."

to tell you the truth

Say this when you want to speak honestly — often before saying something negative.



MORE EXAMPLES

A: "How was my speech?"

B: "Good, but **to tell you the truth**, it was a bit too long."

"He's a kind teacher, but **to tell you the truth**, his class is boring."

put someone in charge

give someone the job of leader or supervisor



MORE EXAMPLES

"If my husband and I go out, we **put** our oldest son **in charge** at home."

"I **put** Sara **in charge** of the party because she is good at organizing events."

For *good at*, see page 82

keep someone posted

give someone information when there are new developments



MORE EXAMPLES

A: "Did the new client sign the contract?"

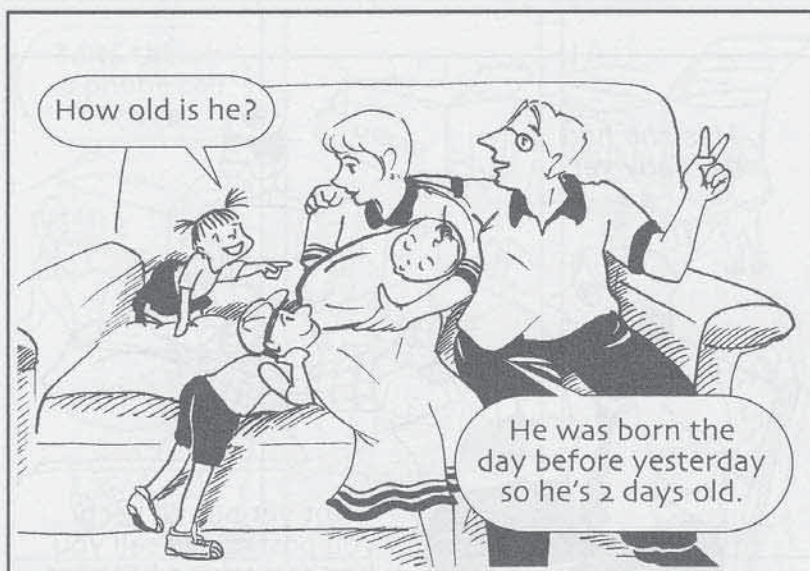
B: "No, but I'll **keep** you **posted**. I'll call you when he signs."

A: "The workers will start building today."

B: "Please **keep** me **posted** on their progress."

the day before yesterday

Not yesterday before yesterday



MORE EXAMPLES 🗨️

“I was sick **the day before yesterday**, but yesterday I felt fine.”

“It was a 50 hour bus ride! We left **the day before yesterday** and we arrived today.”

once a year

NOT ~~one year one time~~



MORE EXAMPLES

A: "I exercise **once a week**."

B: "Really? I only exercise once every two or three weeks."

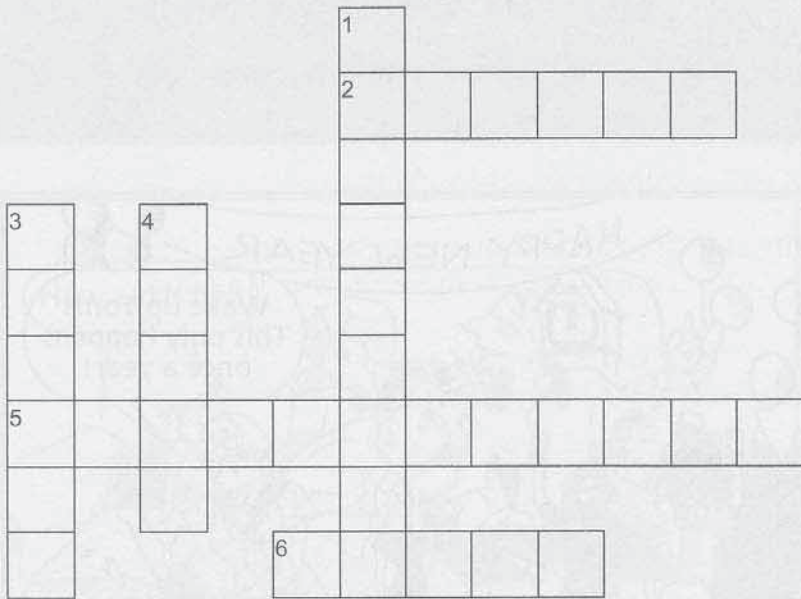
A: "How often do you check your email?"

B: "**Once a day**."

A: "I check mine twice a day, sometimes three times a day."

For *once every*, see page 286

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ACROSS

- 2) "Andy is a naughty boy. ___ the other ___, he's very smart."
5) "Today is December 20th, so ___ ___ ___ yesterday was the 18th."
6) "When the boss was away, he ___ me ___ charge of the whole department."

DOWN

- 1) "How was the restaurant?" ■ "___ ___ ___ the truth, the food wasn't very good."
3) "I haven't gotten a job yet, but I'll keep you ___. I'll call you when I get a job."
4) "How often do you wash the floors?" ■ "___ ___ week. I wash them every Monday."

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