

Ted, come
to New York and
I'll foot the bill for
everything!

Wow,
this is a dream
come true!



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LESSON 25

TED BRINGS HOME MORE GOOD NEWS

Ted tells his family that a talent agent wants to meet with him. The agent will fly Ted and Amber to New York. Nicole announces that she's been named president of the Spanish Club.

テッドは家族に、ある芸能プロダクションが彼に会いたがっていることを伝えました。そのプロダクションはテッドとアンバーのニューヨークまでの飛行機代を出してくれます。ニコールはスペイン語クラブの部長に指名されたことを知らせました。

- Ted:* Amber and I are going to **break into** the music business. Last night after our concert, a talent agent asked us to meet with him in New York.
- Susan:* Congratulations! We'll give you some **spending money** for your trip.
- Ted:* No need. The agent is **footing the bill** for everything. And when we get there, he's going to **wine and dine** us.
- Susan:* He must think you're the **cream of the crop**.
- Ted:* He thinks we sound like the Goo Goo Dolls.
- Nicole:* Who are they?
- Ted:* You're really **out of it**. They're a popular rock band.
- Nicole:* Our family is certainly on a **winning streak**. I was elected president of the Spanish Club today.

Ted: The Spanish Club? **Big deal!**

Nicole: You don't **get it**, Ted. This is only the beginning. Today, president of the Spanish Club. Tomorrow, ambassador to Spain!

Ted: Well, Ambassador, you'll need to **wrap up** my chemistry homework before you leave for the Spanish Embassy.

Susan: A rock star and a diplomat — I'm so proud of both of you!



IDIOMS – LESSON 25

Big deal! – So what? That doesn't really matter
大したことない、それっぽっちか

EXAMPLE: You won five dollars in the lottery? **Big deal!**

メモ: "It's no big deal" という表現としても使われます。

Example: Don't worry about losing the book I lent you. **It's no big deal.**

(to) break into – to enter or be let into a profession

その業界の道に入る (殴り込みをかける)

EXAMPLE: If you want to **break into** journalism, it's a good idea to work on a college newspaper.

メモ: "Break into" には他にもいくつかの意味があります。

1. To interrupt. (邪魔をする) We weren't talking to you. Please don't try to **break into** our conversation.
2. To make a forcible entry into. (強制的に侵入する) Somebody **broke into** Jack's house and stole his DVD player.
3. Start something all of a sudden. (突然〜し始める) After receiving the check from the National Cookie Company, Susan **broke into** song.

cream of the crop – the best of a group

ある集団で最も出来の良い者

EXAMPLE: In the world of women's tennis, the Williams sisters are the **cream of the crop.**

(to) foot the bill – to pay the bill

費用を持つ、勘定を支払う

EXAMPLE: You paid last time we went out for dinner. Let me **foot the bill** this time.

SYNONYM: to pick up the tab. Example: Do you mind **picking up the tab** this time? I paid last time.

(to) get it – レッスン21を見ましょう

(to be) out of it – not aware or knowledgeable about trends or modern habits

時代遅れの（トレンドや現代の習慣を知らない人）

EXAMPLE: Don't ask for Susan's advice on fashion. She's really **out of it**. She wears sneakers with everything.

SYNONYM: Out of touch

メモ：“Out of it”には、「うろたえている」、「ぼーっとしている」や「（精神状態が）どうかしている」という意味もあります。

spending money - money for minor expenses

小遣い

EXAMPLE: Before Adam left for Europe, his parents gave him \$400 in **spending money**.

SYNONYM: pocket money

(to) wine and dine – to take someone out for an evening or an expensive meal

大いにもてなす、ワインを飲みながら食事する

EXAMPLE: Donna **wined and dined** Bob and Susan and then presented them with a contract for the sale of Susan's **Scrumptious Cookies**.

(to be on a) winning streak – a series of wins

連勝

EXAMPLE: The baseball team hasn't lost a game all season. They're on a **winning streak!**

(to) wrap up – to finish

〔仕事などを〕終わりにする、切り上げる、仕上げる

EXAMPLE: **If you wrap up** your homework by eight o'clock, we'll have time to catch a movie tonight.

✂ PRACTICE THE IDIOMS

Fill in the blank with the missing word:

- 1) I invited you to dinner, so let me ____ the bill.
a) hand off b) arm c) foot
- 2) My friend Kate is really ____ it. She's never even heard of Harry Potter!
a) out of b) into c) unaware of
- 3) Ted told Amber he'd need to call her back later in the evening since he was just ____ to have dinner.
a) up b) around c) about
- 4) After Bob and Susan wrap ____ the sale of their business, they can relax for a while.
a) through b) around c) up
- 5) Sally got a job with a law firm in San Diego? ____ deal!
a) Small b) Big c) Huge
- 6) We love to visit our friends in Osaka. They always ____ and dine us.
a) liquor b) wine c) beer
- 7) Bob and Susan plan to give Nicole \$1,000 per year of spending ____ when she's in college.
a) cash b) dough c) money
- 8) I recommend you go to a concert at Carnegie Hall. The musicians who play there are always the cream of the ____.
a) crop b) lawn c) lot

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Fill in the blank with the missing word:

- 1) Next year, Ted will be traveling all _____ the world with his band.
a) about b) inside c) over
- 2) After his fifth vodka, Steve was _____ sheets to the wind.
a) five b) three c) two
- 3) For a while, the Johnsons were living _____ a shoestring.
They couldn't afford to eat out at restaurants.
a) with b) on c) by
- 4) When my friend lost her favorite necklace, I told her it was
no use crying over spilt _____.
a) milk b) juice c) beer
- 5) Joel has a fun job. He's _____ charge of advertising sales for
Mad, the best humor magazine in America.
a) at b) on c) in
- 6) Please put away your wallet! Let me _____ the bill.
a) arm b) foot c) hand
- 7) My friend was running around like a chicken with its head
cut off. I told her to chill _____.
a) out b) in c) down
- 8) Bob worked out the nuts and _____ of the agreement with the
National Cookie Company.
a) details b) bolts c) tacks

9) After Martha's neighbor chopped down her apple tree, she held a grudge ___ him for years.

- a) from b) against c) for

10) I arrived late to the stadium. The baseball game was already ___ progress.

- a) through b) in c) at

11) My friend invited me out for a drink, but I told her I'd first need to wrap ___ some things at the office.

- a) through b) along c) up

12) I'm ___ and tired of telemarketers calling me in the evening trying to sell my stuff I don't want.

- a) sick b) ill c) angry

13) Kristen's boss paid her a compliment. He said she was the best salesperson in the company. That really ___ her day.

- a) made b) created c) ruined

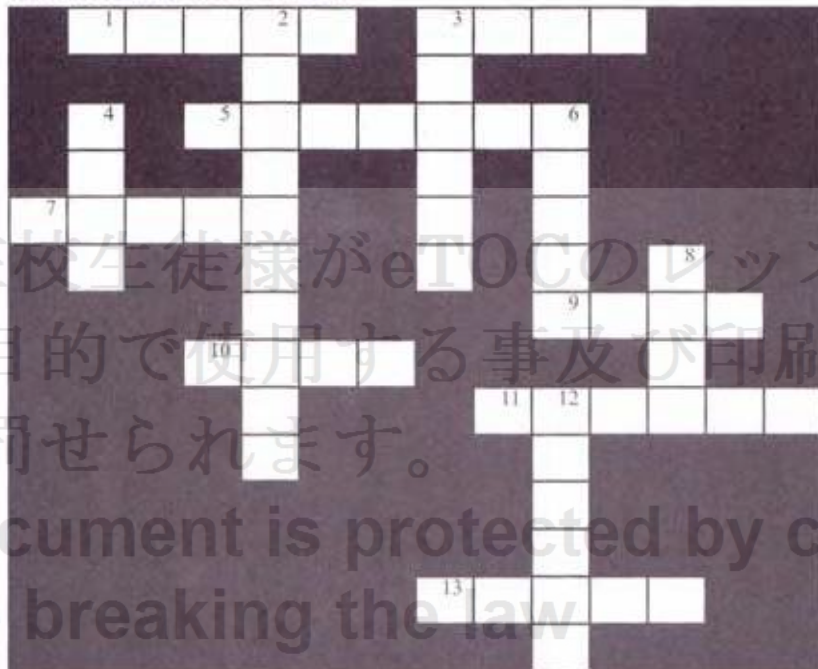
14) The person seated behind me on the airplane kept on kicking my seat. Finally, I told him to ___ it out.

- a) stop b) cut c) fly

15) Amber hopes to break ___ the modeling business after she graduates from high school. She can definitely model nose rings and tattoos!

- a) into b) in c) around

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1. First things _____. Before we start wandering around the streets of Paris, let's look at a map and plan our route.
3. The company will wine and _____ their top candidates for this position.
5. Nicole was really looking _____ to her school trip to Spain.
7. Ken is an engineer. He tries to understand the nuts and _____ of how things work.
9. When the stock market collapsed, Bob lost his _____ and sold everything.
10. Nicole's boyfriend forgot his wallet, so she had to foot the _____.
11. Bob no longer shops at the Village Market. He holds a _____ against them.
13. I was sick and _____ of watching my colleague flirt with her boss.

Down

2. We can't afford a new computer for the office. We're running on a _____.
3. Bette Davis may have been a great actress, but she was a _____ lady in real life.
4. The musicians from the Juilliard School of Music are the cream of the _____.
6. Diane and Neil just bought a mansion. They're rolling in _____.
8. Mary left her husband George for a younger man. She told George, "I hope there are no _____ feelings about this."
12. Stephen King has a long track _____ of writing bestsellers.

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