



A : Ms. Tanaka, I'm sorry to () () , but you have a phone call.

B : Could you tell him or her, whoever it is, to call back some time later? I know it's kind of rude. But I need to end this conversation first.



A : Some neighbors are talking about strengthening prison security. Why is that so? All of a sudden?

B : A month ago, three convicts () () of prison! And that triggered people to take that issue seriously.



A : You two got a divorce!? You've been such a good couple for more than ten years!

B : I don't deny that, though the last half year has been quite an exception.

A : And you said it's already been a month since you two () () .



A : Prices are going up these days again, right?

B : Not only that. But due to the pandemic aftermath, business is () () , while in most cases wages are going down.



A : There's a lot of clean water flowing in the river!

B : Yes. In spring, the water coming from the melting snow () () into rivers.



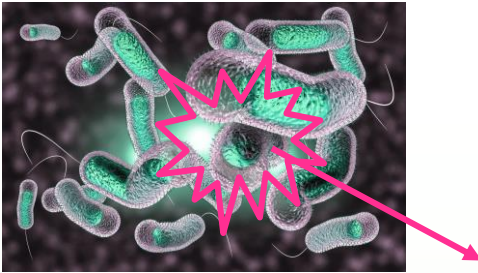
A : So, today we've been talking about the link between food and health. I wish we could go on talking like this forever, but...

B : Yes, I know. **Time is** () (). So, let's wrap up today's discussion.



A : At least, it was good that no injuries were left by that burglar.

B : In that respect, yes it was. But I suspect that he was a professional hired by our rival company. **I think so because he** () () **to steal the computer only.** He just wanted our data. Nothing else.



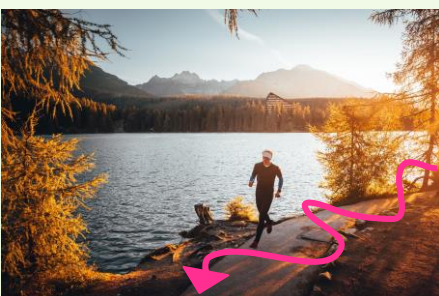
A : **I was surprised to hear that cholera** () () **in Yemen quite recently.**

B : Yes, it can still spread in some areas where there is contaminated water.



A : I hope that the conflict in Ukraine will be over soon.

B : I do too. **It's been hard to foresee how things would unfold, since the peace negotiation** () ().



A : It was quite a summer day last Sunday. Did you enjoy hiking?

B : We enjoyed the whole time we were there on a hillside of Lake Kawaguchi. **But it was so hot that after lunch, we changed into swimming suits,** () () **the hill, and dived in the lake.**



A : I felt like someone is stalking me...
It's just I can always see the same guy walking behind in the distance.

B : **Next time you see that man, you just () () in a different direction and see if he does the same too.** That way you will know for sure.



A : **Ms. Ikeda, we're () () of copy paper in the office.**

B : Go talk to Ms. Morishita.
She is in charge of office supplies.



A : She's so good at horse-riding!

B : Do you know where she's originally from? Texas. And her family runs a big ranch over there. So, she has tamed a number of horses since her childhood.

A : **That's why she even knows how to () () wild horses!**



A : I saw a number of fire engines on Keyaki Street today.

B : You did? I saw it in the news on TV.
They said a fire () () in the concert hall.



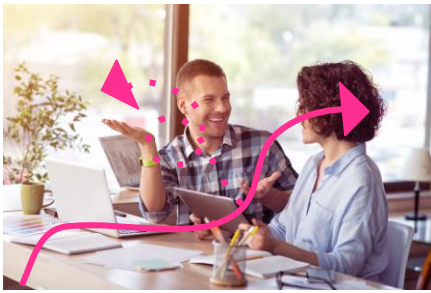
A : What is all this mess!? So many broken pieces are scattered around here.

B : Oh, sorry! I was just about to clean it up! I was carrying around the plants, when it slipped out of my hands onto the floor. **The pot () () into all these pieces.**



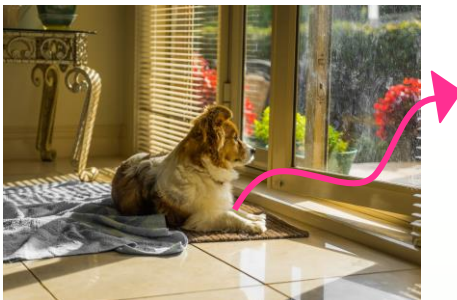
A : These days there are many accidents involving those on bikes, right?

B : Indeed. **The other day, a huge truck driver () () two cyclists just one block from the station.**



A : Why did you leave him during the conversation you were having with him?

B : **Because he () () the topic and started talking about his hobby.**



A : Why do you look so doomed and gloomed today?

B : **Truth be told, our dog () () yesterday and hasn't been found yet.**



A : Why do you walk in that awkward manner?

B : **Actually, I'm trying to () () this new pair of shoes.** I've just bought them.

A : Then, make sure you don't hurt your back walking like that.



A : Is anything wrong with you? There seems to be something on your mind. Is it something deep inside your mind that's annoying you?

B : Sort of. **Sorry to say this, but I need to () () of this boring routine.**



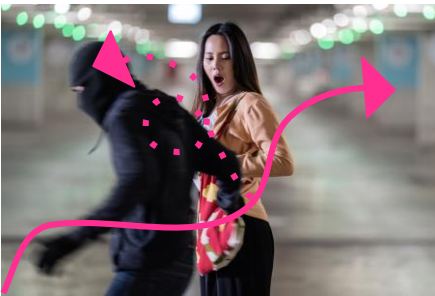
A : That class has two problem students. And when they pick a fight against each other, the female teacher can do nothing about it.

B : Ah, that's why the other day the school principal rushed to their classroom.
He was just in time to () () the fight between the two boys.



A : I've been having bad connections when talking over this phone.

B : **Maybe, the battery is () () , isn't it?** That's why I always carry my charger around.



A : So, what exactly happened to you?

B : I had my bag snatched away. I was just walking along the sidewalk on this side. And then suddenly, a suspicious-looking guy came out of nowhere and bumped into me. **Then, he took the bag and () () .**



A : What happened to your bakery? Why are you selling everything?

B : **Actually, I () () of business due to the pandemic.** Since the pandemic started, fewer and fewer people come out to buy bakery products.



A : I am planning to buy a new 1000cc motorcycle with my bonus.

B : 1000cc? That's a lot of power. **How long does it take to () () a new engine?**

A : Maybe a week or so?



A : Mr. Chairman, I have bad news.
The rumor that we are going to be purchased by another company () () .

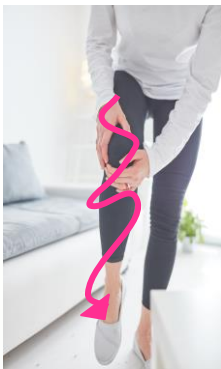
B : That is very unfortunate. This could influence our stock return and it may cause unnecessary unease to our employees.



A : Yeah! I can't believe that we are in Okinawa.

B : But the weather is not all satisfying. I was looking forward to a sunny day, but it's so cloudy and gloomy.

A : Look! **The clouds began to** () () ! We will see the sun real soon.



A : **I felt a shooting pain** () () **my right leg.**

B : That doesn't sound good. You should go see a doctor.



A : Are there enough handouts for those present here?

B : Seems like there are one or two people who didn't get one.

A : Really? I'd thought there would be enough. **I heard the secretary** () () **ten copies.**



A : **Do I need to renew my subscription once it** () () ?

B : Well, it's the automatic renewal system, so it will be renewed even if you do nothing about it unless otherwise requested.



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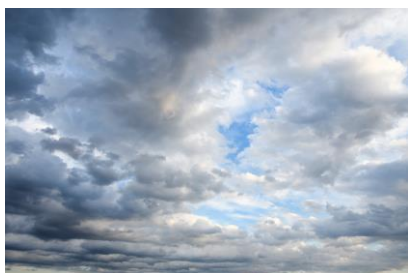
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