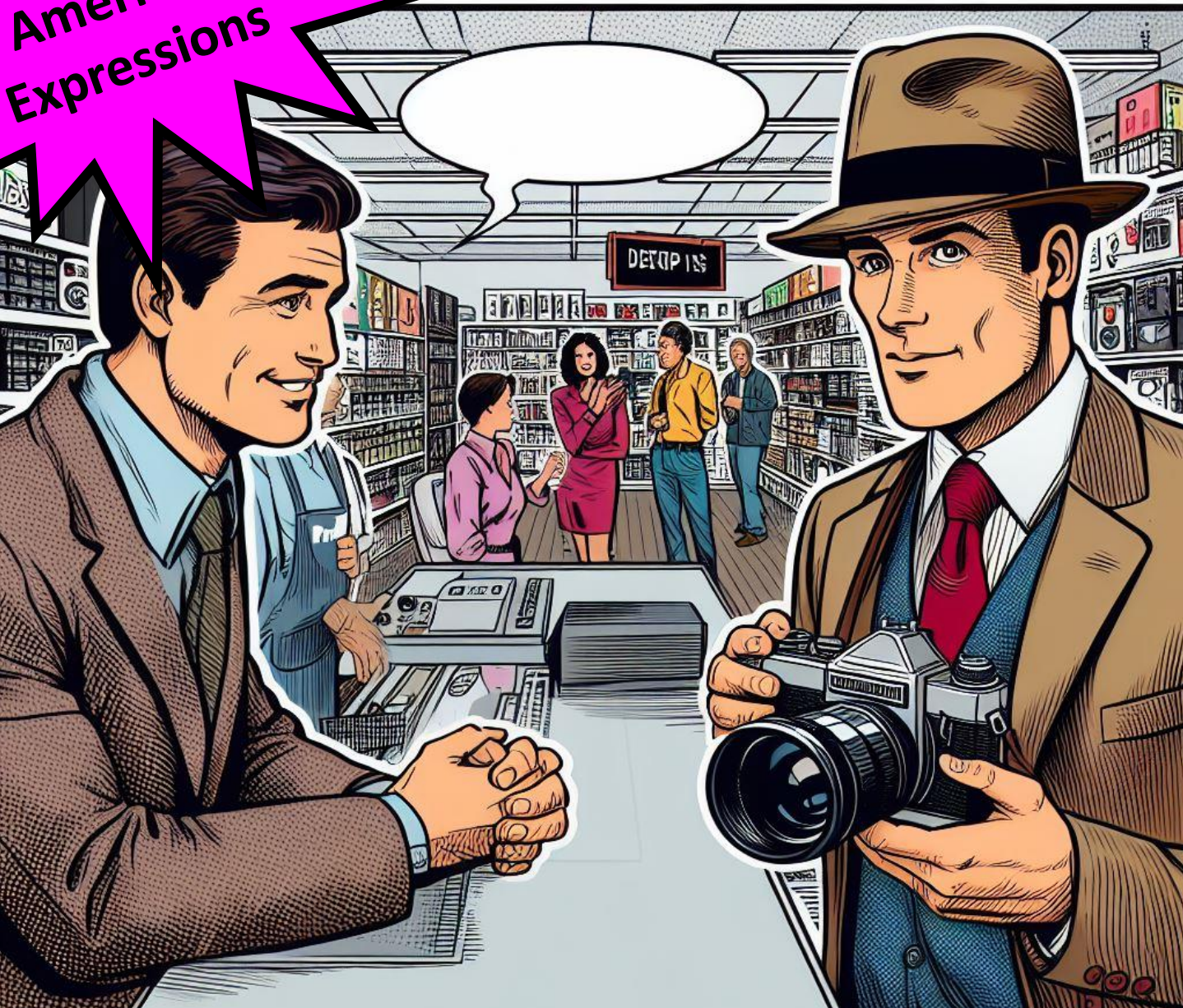


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follow the directions

Just follow the signs for the airport.

Follow the doctor's advice.

Follow the instructions carefully.

Follow the plan.

Follow the rules.

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to the letter = exactly

I followed the recipe on the box to the letter, but this chocolate cake tastes terrible!

I followed the directions to the letter.

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Do you mind if I ... ?

Do you mind if I **open** the window?

Do you mind if I **come** with you?

Do you mind if I **leave** early?

Do you mind if I **take** a crack at it?

Tim: Do you mind if I take a crack at it?

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take a crack at = try something

I don't know if I can fix your laptop, but I'll **take a crack at** it.

The competition's open to anyone. Why don't you **have a crack?**

Do you mind if I **take a crack at** it?

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be my guest = try it yourself

May I try fixing the copier?

Be my guest.

Do you mind if I look at your notes?

Be my guest.

Tim: Do you mind if I take a crack at it?

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have the magic touch = have
talent at doing something

You can't open that bottle? Give it
to Ivan. He usually **has the
magic touch.**

She **has a magic touch with**
babies.

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I think I'll ...

It's a bit cold. I think I'll take a taxi.

I feel a bit hungry. I think I'll have something to eat.

I don't think I'll go out tonight. I'm too tired.

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steer clear of = avoid

Mark got food poisoning at O'Reilly's? **We'd better steer clear of that place from now on!**

He tried to **steer clear of** political issues.

I think I'll **steer clear of** this model.

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I hear what you're saying.

= I understand you.

I worked 60 hours this week. I'm
exhausted!

I hear what you're saying.

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Tim: I hear what you're saying. It's frustrating when you get one bad unit, let alone two!

let alone

I can't remember the name of the movie, **let alone** the plot.

The baby can't even sit up yet, **let alone** walk!

It's frustrating when you get one bad unit, **let alone** two!

Paul: Yeah, it's a **bummer**! I'd like my money back.

Tim: If you give me your receipt, I'll issue a credit to your credit card. But you might also try a different model or brand.

a bummer = a disappointment

I lost my receipt, and the store won't take the dress back without it. What **a bummer!**

It was **a real bummer** being ill on holiday.

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my money back.

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I'll issue a credit to your credit
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If you **give** me your receipt, I'll
issue a credit.

If + present tense, present/future

If you **see** something nice for Joan,
please **buy** it.

If + present tense, present/future

If the weather **is** nice tomorrow, **let's** play tennis.

~~If the weather will be nice tomorrow~~

If you **are** ever in Boston, **give** me a call.

~~If, you'll ever be in Boston~~

If + present tense, present/future

If we **have** time tomorrow, we'**ll** go to the Metropolitan Museum.

~~If we'll have time tomorrow~~

If I **win** the lottery, I'**m going to** quit my job.

~~If I will win~~

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issue a credit = give money back

Rachel returned the sweater to the Gap, and they **issued** her **a credit**.

store credit

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The Canon camera is **the same**
price **as** this one.

sub + verb + the same + noun/adj + as + noun

My brother has the same weight as
mine.

This cloth is the same color as that
one.

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even exchange = a trade of equal value

If you return those pants and get this sweater **instead**, it will be **an even exchange**. They're both \$39.99.

Paul: Okay, I'll take it. I hope this one works out.

Tim: If you 're not happy with it, don't hesitate to bring it back.

I **hope** this one works out.

I hope + sentence

I hope everything goes well.

I hope someone finds your bag.

I hope I earn more money.

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work out = meet one's needs

I just bought my first Mac. I hope
it **works out**.

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don't hesitate to do sth =
don't be shy about doing sth

If you need advice on buying a car,
don't hesitate to ask.

This restaurant is lousy.

Let's **steer clear of** it from now on.

You broke your leg in a skiing accident? **What a bummer!**

Your toilet is broken. I'm not sure I can fix it, but I'll **take a crack at it.**

Installing this software is tricky, so be sure to follow the directions **to the letter**.

I barely have time to read a magazine article, **let alone** an entire book!

When it comes to making movies that kids love, Disney **has the magic touch**.

If you don't have your receipt, we can't give you your money back but we can **issue you a credit**.

I just bought a used car. I hope it **works out**.

If you'd like to return those pants and get these pants instead, it will be an **even exchange**.

If you have trouble setting up your new computer, **don't hesitate to** call me.

If + present tense, present/future

Exceptions:

If + will (for polite request)

If you **'ll** follow me, I'll show you to the restroom.

If you **'ll** be seated, we'll start the program.

If you **'ll** turn off your cell phones, the performance can begin.

If + present tense, present/future

Exceptions:

If + will (for emphasizing)

If it **'ll** make you happy, I'll organize the party.

If it **will** make him stop crying, I will give him a piece of candy.

If + present tense, present/future

Exceptions:

If + will (for indirect statements)

I don't know if I'll be there.

I'm not sure if I'll go tomorrow.

Do you know if he'll be at the party?

Who knows if I'll get an interview.

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