

Live Phrases B1

Intermediate Expressions, 4 exercises + answer key

NAME _____

DATE _____

KEY RULE:

long story short · give it a shot · out of the blue · on the same page · in a nutshell · keep me posted · it's on me · cut to the chase

1 Exercise 1

EASY

Fill in with the correct expression.

1. ____, we missed the flight.

3. You never tried it? ____!

5. She called me ____ yesterday.

7. Dinner is ____ tonight.

9. A 4-day week? ____!

2. Are we all ____ on the plan?

4. ____, get to the point!

6. Let me know, ____.

8. ____, the project failed.

10. ____, nobody told me.

2 Exercise 2

MEDIUM

Write the expression. Use the hint.

1. ____, in summary. (3 words)

3. ____, unexpectedly. (4 words)

5. ____, get to point. (4 words)

7. ____: I'll pay. (3 words)

9. ____, to joke. (3 words)

2. ____, try it. (4 words)

4. ____, same understanding. (4 words)

6. ____, keep informed. (3 words)

8. ____: I support it. (4 words)

10. ____, that's the issue. (3 words)

3 Exercise 3

MEDIUM

Write the meaning of each expression.

1. long story short = _____

3. out of the blue = _____

5. in a nutshell = _____

7. it's on me = _____

9. pull someone's leg = _____

2. give it a shot = _____

4. on the same page = _____

6. keep me posted = _____

8. cut to the chase = _____

10. I'm all for it = _____

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Exercise 4

HARD

Complete with the correct expression.

1. ____, results are what count.

3. She texted me ____ this morning.

5. ____, what's the main point?

7. Lunch is ____, put your wallet away.

9. I was just ____, it was a joke!

2. Never tried yoga? ____!

4. ____, are we agreed on this?

6. Let me know the result, ____.

8. ____, the plan didn't work.

10. ____, no one told me!

Answer Key

Check your answers below

1 Exercise 1 Easy, fill in the blank

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| 1 Long story short | 6 keep me posted |
| 2 on the same page | 7 on me |
| 3 Give it a shot | 8 In a nutshell |
| 4 Cut to the chase | 9 I'm all for it |
| 5 out of the blue | 10 That's the thing |

2 Exercise 2 Medium, write the expression

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| 1 In a nutshell | 6 Keep me posted |
| 2 Give it a shot | 7 It's on me |
| 3 Out of the blue | 8 I'm all for it |
| 4 On the same page | 9 Pull their leg |
| 5 Cut to the chase | 10 That's the thing |

3 Exercise 3 Medium, write the meaning

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| 1 to summarise briefly | 6 keep me informed |
| 2 try it | 7 I'll pay |
| 3 suddenly, unexpectedly | 8 get to the point |
| 4 same understanding | 9 to joke with someone |
| 5 in summary / briefly | 10 I fully support it |

4 Exercise 4 Hard, mixed practice

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| 1 At the end of the day | 6 keep me posted |
| 2 Give it a shot | 7 on me |
| 3 out of the blue | 8 Long story short |
| 4 On the same page | 9 pulling your leg |
| 5 Cut to the chase | 10 That's the thing |