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WARM UP 

Answer and discuss these questions in pairs or as a class.

1. Have you ever moved to a new city?

2. Would you move for a good job?

3. What kind of job would make you move to a new city?

4. What are some good things about moving?

5. What are some sad things about moving?



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MATCHING 

Match these idioms to their correct definitions.

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| 1. What's up? | _____ a. to feel like a new place is like one's home |
| 2. gray skies always clear up | _____ b. to have to make a difficult decision |
| 3. to be stuck between a rock and a hard place | _____ c. What's new? or How are you? |
| 4. to look up | _____ d. to get used to living somewhere new |
| 5. to make up one's mind | _____ e. bad things go away |
| 6. to feel at home | _____ f. New York City |
| 7. to get settled | _____ g. to make a decision |
| 8. the Big Apple | _____ h. to get better |

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DIALOGUE BUILDING 

The dialogue below is not in the right order. Your teacher will provide you with **cut-up dialogue strips**. Work alone or with a partner to put the dialogue in the right order.



- _____ *Jon:* It's the right choice, Andrew. And I'm sure you'll **feel at home** once you **get settled**.
- _____ *Jon:* Hey, Andrew. **What's up?**
- _____ *Jon:* I guess you have to give up your home or give up the job.
- _____ *Jon:* Why? Did you get some good news?
- _____ *Andrew:* I think I've already **made up my mind**. I want to take the job.
- _____ *Andrew:* Yeah, really good news. I got a new job!
- _____ *Andrew:* Maybe you can visit soon.
- _____ *Jon:* Great, Andrew. **Gray skies always clear up**.
- _____ *Jon:* That would be great. I've never been to **the Big Apple**.
- _____ *Jon:* Congratulations! Are you going to take the job?
- _____ *Andrew:* Hi, Jon! Guess what? Things are **looking up!**
- _____ *Andrew:* Thanks. Well, the bad news is that **I** have to move to New York if I want the job.
- _____ *Andrew:* I got offered a manager position at a tech company.
- _____ *Jon:* What?
- _____ *Andrew:* Yeah. I'm **stuck between a rock and a hard place**.



FILL IN THE BLANKS

Fill in the blanks with the correct idioms from page 1.

1. Bill got a new job, so things must be _____ for him.
2. We're so excited to visit _____. We heard it's a very big city.
3. Joe is _____ in his new apartment that he just recently purchased.
4. Well, when you _____, let me know. I can help you find a new job.
5. Sofia was upset because her boyfriend just broke up with her. Her mom said,
"_____."
6. Tommy moved into his new apartment on Bay Street. He thinks it already _____.
7. Hey Billy! _____?
8. I agreed to his price conditions, so now I'm _____.



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Answer and discuss these questions in pairs or as a class.

1. Why is Andrew so happy?
2. What type of position was Andrew offered?
3. Where is the new job located?
4. Has Jon ever been to the Big Apple?



**DIALOGUE READING** 

Read the dialogue with your partner a few times. Take turns being each character. Practice your intonation and pronunciation. *Write down any new words or phrases in your notebook.*



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Jon: Great, Andrew. **Gray skies always clear up.**

Andrew: I got offered a manager position at a tech company.

Jon: Congratulations! Are you going to take the job?

Andrew: Thanks. Well, the bad news is that I have to move to New York if I want the job.

Jon: What?

Andrew: Yeah. I'm **stuck between a rock and a hard place.**

Jon: I guess you have to give up your home or give up the job.

Andrew: I think I've already **made up my mind.** I want to take the job.

Jon: It's the right choice, Andrew. And I'm sure you'll **feel at home** once you **get settled.**

Andrew: Maybe you can visit soon.

Jon: That would be great. I've never been to **the Big Apple.**