

### Warm-Up

Stand up and chat with a bunch of different classmates.

- Do you enjoy spending time in libraries? Why or why not?
- 2. What are some good places for single people to meet people?
- 3. What are some ways to learn and practice English besides doing it in a classroom?
- 4. What are phrasal verbs?



## **Vocabulary Preview**

#### A. Idioms and Expressions

Your teacher will give each student one or more strips of paper. Your strip(s) will have an English idiom/ expression OR a definition for an idiom/expression. Try to find the student that has your match. When all of the matches have been found, read the strips out loud to see if they all make sense.



#### **B.** Matching

Match these words to their correct definitions.

- 1. track down 2. get the hang of 3. down-to-earth 4. bad rap 5. know something like the back of one's hand 6. Here we go. 7. use a hand 8. easier said than done 9. Bingo! 10. I get it.
- to be very familiar with something
- b) to search for and find

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- c) it sounds easy, but it's not
- d) to know how to do something after practicing
- e) easygoing, not too serious
- f) a bad name or reputation
- g) I found what we are looking for.
- h) to need or want help
- i) I understand.
- j) You're right!



#### **Down-to-Earth: Introduction**

In the fourteenth episode of *Moving to New York*, Eugene chats with a librarian about learning English.





Eugene

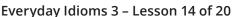
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# **Listening - Gap Fill**

Fill in the gaps as you listen. Then read the dialogue with your partner a few times. Take turns being each character. Practice your intonation and pronunciation. *Underline or highlight any new words or phrases that you don't understand.* 

	Can I help you?
	Yes. I'm looking for a book on phrasal verbs.
	Aha. You're studying English.
	Yes. I'm it, but there are so many words!
	Hmm. You know, the best way to practice English is to get an English girlfriend.
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	Try joining a hiking or cycling group. You'll meet a girl in no time.
	Huh. That's not a bad idea. You're awfully for a librarian.
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	I could still finding that book, though.
	Oh, yes. Phrasal verbs Top shelf.
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	You were an English student?
	! Then I joined a hiking group and met my wife.
	Aha. Now

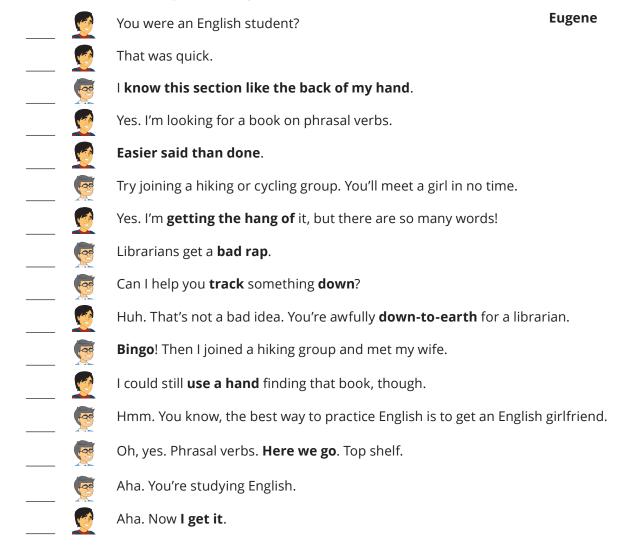
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# **Listen Again - Put in Order**

Listen to the dialogue again and put the sentences into the correct order by numbering them.



## **Making Predictions**

In the next episode, Eugene bumps into Carlos. What do you think will happen? Make two predictions. Discuss your predictions with a partner.

•	I think	Eugene ai	nd Carlo	os <i>will</i> g	go on a	double	date.
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• I bet Eugene will join a group.

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# **Comprehension Questions**

Answer and discuss these questions in pairs or as a class. 1. Where does the conversation take place? 4. What suggestion does the librarian make about learning English? 2. What is Eugene trying to find? 5. What realization does Eugene make at the end of the conversation? 3. Why is Eugene surprised about how the librarian is talking? **Vocabulary Review** Substitute the idiom or expression with another word or phrase. 1. Professor Peters \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . He's actually a nice teacher. (has a bad rap) 2. I know New York City \_\_\_\_\_\_(like the back of my hand) 3. A: I bet I can guess where we're going. You're taking me to a concert. 4. Oh! They're on vacation. Now I \_\_\_\_\_\_(get) \_\_\_\_\_ why the car has been gone so long. 5. I hated snowboarding at first, but now I'm \_\_\_\_ (getting the hang of it)



# **Interjections**

An interjection is a little word that is mainly used as a reaction in speaking. Some interjections are used to show surprise. Others are used to show hesitation or agreement. To the right are some examples. Listen to your teacher pronounce these interjections. Then practice these interjections with a partner. Take turns being the person who says something and the person who reacts with an interjection.

	Interjection	Meaning
	aha	expressing a sudden realization
	ah	expressing understanding, relief, or enjoyment
•	uh-huh, huh	expressing agreement or acknowledgment
	huh?	expressing confusion
•	um, er, hmm	expressing hesitation or uncertainty
•	uh-oh	expressing a concern
•	ouch	expressing pain
•	oh, oh?	expressing many different emotions, including surprise, interest, or disappointment

## **Write Your Own Dialogue**

In your notebook, write a *new* dialogue with a partner. Use idioms and expressions from page 1. Use the same subject ("**Down-to-Earth**") but make it about you and one of your classmates. Talk about someone who is down-to-earth. You're both surprised that this person is so cool! Be sure to include some interjections. Practice and present the dialogue to your class.

#### **Write an Email**

Write an email telling a friend or family member that you think he/she takes life too seriously. Tell them why you think they should try being more down-to-earth. If possible, try to use a few idioms that you learned from this episode. Write your letter in your notebook or type it on the computer and email it to your teacher or a partner.



## **Keywords**

	Write your own examp	le sentences using t	he idioms and	d expressions you've	learned.
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### Phrasal Verbs with "Look"

In this episode, Eugene went to the library to look for a book on phrasal verbs. Don't let phrasal verbs scare you. They are just multi-word verbs! They can be made up of two or three words. For example:

**look for** *someone/something*: to try to find someone or something

• Eugene is looking for his map of the New York subway system.

Here are a few other phrasal verbs with "look." Go to the library or use a dictionary or a mobile device. Find the meanings of the following phrasal verbs that contain the verb "look." Write example sentences for each:

L	ook"
1.	look after someone/something:
2.	look into something:
3.	look through something:
4.	look up something:
5.	look up to someone: