

#### HERE IS WHAT IS NEW...

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Hello students! It's getting towards mid-August, and our "Renew Now" promotion is in full swing. Remember, every student who renews their contract before the end of this will have no price increase in the next year. Even if your current contract doesn't expire for a little while, you too can get this great offer. To make sure you don't miss out, ask your teacher for more details. Have a blockbuster week!

### VERB OF THE WEEK

## To Wear, Wore

[wair]

verb (used with object), wore or worn, wearing

- 1. to carry or have on the body or about the person as a covering, equipment, ornament, or the like: to wear a coat; to wear a disguise.
- 2. to have or use on the person habitually: *to wear a wig*.
- 3. to bear or have in one's aspect or appearance: to wear a smile; to wear an air of triumph.
- 4. to cause (something) to deteriorate or change by wear: *Hard use has worn these gloves. The waves have worn these rocks.*

# verb (used without object), wore or worn, wearing.

- 5. to undergo gradual impairment, reduction, etc., from wear, use, attrition, or other causes (often followed by away, down, out, or off).
- 6. to retain shape, color, usefulness, value, etc., under wear, use, or any continued strain: *colors that wear well*.
- 7. (of time) to pass, especially slowly or tediously (often followed by on or away): As the day wore on, we had less and less to talk about.

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## WORD OF THE WEEK

# Wear:

[wair]

noun

- 1. the act of wearing; use, as of a garment: articles for winter wear; *I've had a lot of wear out of this coat; I had to throw away the shirt after only three wears.*
- 2. the state of being worn, as on the person.
- 3. clothing or other articles for wearing; especially when fashionable or appropriate for a particular function (often used in combination): *travel wear*; *sportswear*; *footwear*.
- 4. gradual impairment, wasting, diminution, etc., as from use: *The carpet shows wear*.

# PHRASAL VERB OF THE WEEK

#### To wear out...

To make or become unfit or useless through hard or extended use; to exhaust, as by continued strain.

Just three months after joining the running team, Anna signed up for the Rio half-marathon. She'd never run 21 kilometres before, and although it was a struggle, she made it to the finish line! She was so worn out afterwards that she spent the rest of the weekend in bed.

The tyres on Scott's car wore out in less than a year after he took up a job as a travelling salesman. He had to spend a big chunk of his paycheck on maintaining his vehicle.

Gina is desperate to go to New York City for some retail therapy. Her favourite high heels are wearing out, and she wants a new pair before her 40<sup>th</sup> birthday bash in November.

#### EXPRESSION OF THE WEEK

On the other hand: a phrase that introduces an alternate view.

Christina is a talented software engineer and could easily get a high-paying job in Silicon Valley, but on the other hand, she would miss her family in Canada if she moved away.

On the one hand, working long hours is a way to succeed in business. On the other hand, if it means you have to sacrifice hours of sleep, it's not very healthy – and could affect your work!

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Pedro loves meat, and always wants to go to steakhouses on date nights. His girlfriend, on the other hand, is a strict vegetarian, and prefers kilo restaurants because they have lots of salad options.

# QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"To err is human; to forgive, divine" - Alexander Pope

# DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that Paul the Octopus was so precise in his predictions during the 2010 FIFA World Cup that he received death threats from German fans, and had to be offered state protection?

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