

HERE IS WHAT IS NEW...

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Hello Students! The middle of the year has officially passed us! It is time to buckle up and continue studying hard! Have a blockbuster week!

VERB OF THE WEEK

To Bite, Bit

[bahyt]

verb (used with object), bit or bitten, biting.

1. to cut, wound, or tear with the teeth: She bit the apple greedily. The lion bit his trainer.

2. to grip or hold with the teeth.

3. to sting, as does an insect.

4. to cause to smart or sting: *an icy wind that bit our faces*.

5. to sever with the teeth (often followed by off): *Don't bite your nails. The child bit off a large piece of the candy bar.*

6. to start to eat (often followed by into): She bit into her steak.

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7. to press the teeth into something; attack with the jaws, bill, sting, etc.; snap: *Does your parrot bite?*

8. Angling. (of fish) to take bait: *The fish aren't biting today*.

9. to accept an offer or suggestion, especially one intended to trick or deceive: *I knew it was a mistake, but I bit anyway.*

10. Informal. to admit defeat in guessing: I'll bite, who is it?

11. Slang. to be notably repellent, disappointing, poor, etc: This movie really bites!

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Bite:

noun

1. an act of biting.

2. a wound made by biting: *a deep bite*.

3. a cutting, stinging, or nipping effect: *the bite of an icy wind; the bite of whiskey on the tongue*.

4. a piece bitten off: Chew each bite carefully.

5. a small meal or morsel of food: Let's have a bite to eat before the theater.

PHRASAL VERB OF THE WEEK

Snap out of (something)...

- To free oneself from; recover from (something).

After Ken's wife died, it took him many years to snap out of his grief. Thinking about their 23 years of marriage made him feel very depressed, until their children encouraged him to see a counsellor.

Tiger Woods' golfing career had been going from bad to worse until recently. His performance at the US Open has commentators thinking he may have snapped out of it, and he could again be the world's number one golfer.

Winter time is getting Caitlyn down, and she's been taking out her foul mood on everyone around her! Her colleagues have taken to rolling their eyes behind her back. They hope she'll snap out of it soon.

EXPRESSION OF THE WEEK

Bite off more than you can chew: to attempt something that exceeds one's capacity.

In an effort to prove women really can have it all, Emma went back to work just three weeks after her son was born. But between her fulltime office job, being a new mum, and running a household, she was absolutely exhausted. She realised she had bitten off more than she could chew, and asked her boss for more maternity leave.

Kim and Brendan wanted to build their dream home themselves, but once the construction began, they realised the enormous task that lay ahead. Worried about biting off more than they could chew, they quickly called in an experienced builder.

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Jenna is an excellent team leader, but sometimes she forgets there's more to life than just work! Her boss has reminded her not to bite off more than she can chew, and to delegate responsibility before she gets overwhelmed with work.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed." - Michael Jordan

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that an American entomologist – or insect scientist – has created a scientific "pain index", ranking the severity of insects' stings on humans? Justin Schmidt has been stung by more than 150 different insects, including wasps, bees and ants, and has rated the South American bullet ant as one of the most painful experiences.

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