

There are always three speeches for every one you actually gave: the one you practiced, the one you gave, and the one you wish you had given.
Dale Carnegie, American lecturer

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1 GRAMMAR articles

a Complete the sayings with *a*, *an*, *the*, or no article (–).

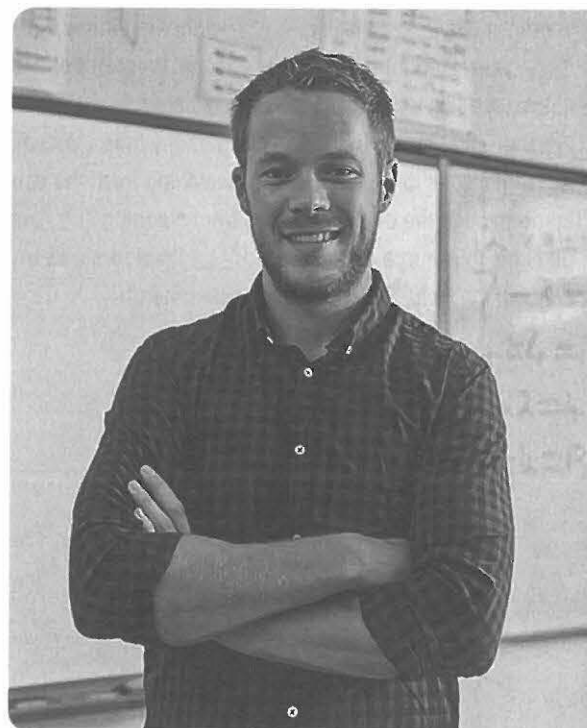
- 1 All you need is ____ love.
- 2 He's ____ man of his word.
- 3 ____ women are from Venus; ____ men are from Mars.
- 4 ____ time waits for no man.
- 5 Don't worry! It isn't ____ end of ____ world!
- 6 That's ____ life!
- 7 It's ____ small world!
- 8 ____ actions speak louder than ____ words.

b Complete the sentences with *the* where necessary.

- 1 ____ Mount Aconcagua is in the Andes in Argentina.
- 2 There are 50 states in ____ US.
- 3 ____ 5 Freeway was closed yesterday because of floods.
- 4 ____ Central Park is one of ____ largest green spaces in New York City.
- 5 ____ US Virgin Islands are a group of islands situated in ____ Caribbean Sea.
- 6 ____ Lake Victoria is the largest lake in ____ Africa.
- 7 ____ Panama Canal connects the Atlantic Ocean to ____ Pacific Ocean.
- 8 The toy industry in ____ China is the biggest in the world.

c Right (✓) or wrong (X)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

- 1 The church in my village dates back to the 15th century. ✓
- 2 Mae-Ting can't still be at the work. It's really late. X at work
- 3 The college in my town has a very good reputation. _____
- 4 Daisy is taking advantage of the time her children are at the school to take an online course. _____
- 5 The prison is on the outskirts of the city. _____
- 6 Somebody broke into my parents' house while they were at the church. _____
- 7 Did you have time to finish the work I left for you? _____
- 8 My boyfriend is in the college. He's studying architecture. _____
- 9 The man has gone to the prison for the crimes he committed when he was younger. _____
- 10 My brother teaches at the elementary school he went to when he was a child. _____



d Read the text. Circle a, b, or c.



At the 2018 Golden Globe Awards, actress and TV host Oprah Winfrey was awarded the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement. Here is an extract from the memorable speech she made during the award ceremony.

In 1964, I was ¹ _____ little girl sitting on the linoleum floor of my mother's house in ² _____ Milwaukee, watching Anne Bancroft present the Oscar for Best Actor at ³ _____ 36th Academy Awards. She opened the envelope and said five words that literally made ⁴ _____ history: "⁵ _____ winner is Sidney Poitier." Up to the stage came ⁶ _____ most elegant man I had ever seen. I remember his tie was white and, of course, his skin was black. And I'd never seen ⁷ _____ black man being celebrated like that. And I have tried many, many, many times to explain what ⁸ _____ moment like that means to a little girl, a kid watching from the cheap seats as my mom came through the door, bone tired from cleaning ⁹ _____ other people's houses. But all I can do is quote and say that ¹⁰ _____ explanation's in Sidney's performance in *Lilies of the Field*, "Amen, amen. Amen, amen."

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2 VOCABULARY collocation: word pairs

a Match questions 1–10 to responses a–j.



- 1 Did you hear the storm last night? h
 - 2 Do you think I should accept the job? _____
 - 3 Why are you moving to the country? _____
 - 4 Why has the store sold out of bread? _____
 - 5 How was your meeting? _____
 - 6 What did you do while you were waiting at the hospital? _____
 - 7 Why does water boil when you heat it? _____
 - 8 What should I do about the argument I had with my sister? _____
 - 9 Why is the playground closed? _____
 - 10 My bike was stolen because I forgot to lock it up. _____
- a I'd forgive and forget if I were you.
 - b Oh well, you live and learn, I guess.
 - c I paced backwards and forwards in the corridor.
 - d You need to weigh the pros and cons to help you make a decision.
 - e It's the law of cause and effect.
 - f I guess it's a question of supply and demand.
 - g Short and sweet – it only lasted ten minutes.
 - h Yes, the thunder and lightning woke me up.
 - i We're looking for some peace and quiet.
 - j For health and safety reasons.

- b Find the word pairs in the list and link them with *or*. Then complete the sentences.

alive all dead later less more never
nothing now once rain right shine
sooner twice wrong

- 1 The criminal was wanted dead or alive and there was a \$500 reward for his capture.
- 2 She goes jogging every morning, _____.
- 3 I'm not sure if this answer in my math homework is _____.
- 4 Patricia is about to leave, so it's _____ – I may not get another chance to ask her out.
- 5 It's _____ with Kim; either she calls every day or you don't hear from her for weeks.
- 6 I've been skiing _____, but I'm not very good at it.
- 7 Yiming has _____ finished his homework – all he has to do now is to print it out.
- 8 There's no point waiting – I'll have to tell John the truth _____.

c Complete the word-pair idioms.

- 1 We only take a few odds and ends with us when we go on vacation.
- 2 I'm s_____ and t_____ of having to clean up after my children.
- 3 B_____ and I_____, I'd say I had a happy childhood.
- 4 She's fine now, but it was t_____ and g_____ as to whether she would survive the operation.
- 5 The streets were very dangerous because of the lack of l_____ and o_____ in the city.
- 6 We arrived s_____ and s_____ after a difficult three-day journey through the mountains.
- 7 I have no idea what we're having for my birthday lunch because my wife told me to w_____ and s_____.
- 8 We go to the movies n_____ and a_____, but more often than not, we just watch a movie on TV.

3 VOCABULARY FROM READING

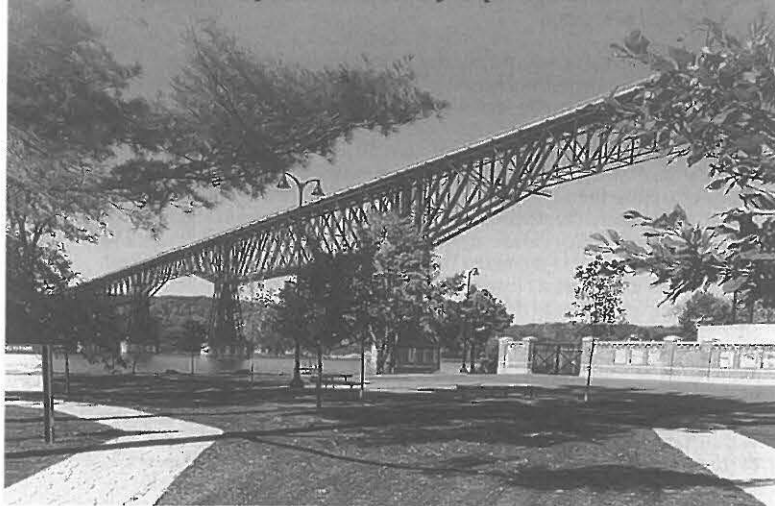
Complete the missing vowels in the words and phrases.

- 1 A speaker doesn't have to be a comedian to include a little wit in his or her speech.
- 2 Salespeople need to have the g ___ ft of g ___ b to sell as many products as possible.
- 3 That politician is very good at making memorable s ___ nd b ___ t ___ s when he talks to journalists.
- 4 Barack Obama is famous for being a great ___ r ___ t ___ r who made powerful speeches.

4 PRONUNCIATION pausing and sentence stress

- a  10.2 Listen to a talk about an interesting place to visit. Mark the pauses.

Good morning, and thank you for coming. I'm here to talk about an interesting place to visit in my country. I'm going to tell you about the city of Poughkeepsie in upstate New York. Poughkeepsie is on the Hudson River, and it has one of the world's longest elevated pedestrian walking bridges, measuring 1.28 miles. The city is famous for Locust Grove, the home of Samuel F.B. Morse, the inventor of Morse Code. It has several beautiful colleges, such as Vassar College and Marist College. Poughkeepsie is full of museums, independent stores, and wonderful places to eat and drink. The city is easily accessible from New York City by train, and it is perfect for a day trip or a weekend break.



- b Practice giving the talk, pausing and trying to get the right rhythm.
- c Now write your own talk about an interesting place to visit in your country. Mark the pauses.
- d Read your speech. If you can, record it on your phone and send it to your teacher.



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