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# Must-Read Headers, Verbs + V~ing and Verbs + Adjective

## Preface

This book is dedicated to my grandson Winsir Hsiao 蕭文鈞 and granddaughter Bonnie Liu 劉懿, whose smiles and laughter have sweetened and enriched the book's contents.

**Headers** refer to an expression of at least two words or three-or-more words which are usually placed at the beginning of a sentence, then followed with a comma.

### Two-words headers:

After all, ...	As always, ...
At best, ...	At worst, ...
In general, ...	In particular, ...
In short, ...	So far, ...
Put simply, ... Simply put, ...	Broadly/Generally speaking, ...

### Three-or-more words headers:

As a result, ...	As things stand, ...
At first glance, ...	At the moment, ...
By and large, ...	In any case, ...
In other words, ...	In the meantime, ...
Needless to say, ...	To be sure, ...
What is more, ...	At the same time, ...
Believe it or not, ...	By the same token, ...
For the time being, ...	For better or worse
Like it or not, ...	On the other hand, ...

Headers are widely used in newspapers and magazine, and they should be memorized, if possible, to facilitate sentence structuring.

Verbs following with V~ing, and Verbs following with adjective are often seen in newspapers and magazines. However, verbs such as “**to appear, to become,**

**to seem**” not included in this part.

There is no doubt that sentences in this book are not exhaustive, and readers are advised to add their own sentences to this book whenever they find them readable and useful.

**American-English newspapers and magazines:**

The Asian Wall Street Journal

The Wall Street Journal

The International New York Times

USA Today

Time

Bloomberg Businessweek (formerly Business Week)

**British-English newspapers and magazine:**

Financial Times

The Guardian

The Observer

The Economist

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## Part 1. Sentence Headers

### **Above all,**

**Above all,** journalists need to be much more careful.

**Above all,** we should recognize that it is not about being Muslim or about the Islamic faith.

**Above all,** you should never feel rushed or pressured to make any financial moves.

### **After all, ...**

**After all,** it is better to have super-liked and lost than never to have super-liked at all.

**After all,** you are never too old to learn, or too young to manage.

**After all,** as Asian countries found out in the 1990s, too much hot money flowing into an economy can be destabilizing.

**After all,** it is they who will bear the brunt of climate change and service the debt that paid for benefits.

**After all,** the government resists a scheme to impose identity passes on unwilling Indians.

**After all,** Xi Jinping is often described as the country's most powerful leader.

**After all,** Taiwan's ruling Democratic Progressive Party rejects the one-China policy and says the island is already independent.

**After all,** debate on that question is one reason why multiple parties exist.

**After all,** you are never too old to learn.

**After all,** it may not be a coincidence that a funeral parlor set up shop next to Chuck's Gun Shop.

**After all,** the function of stock markets is often to recycle money from mature, cash-rich companies into faster-growing start-ups.

**After all**, the data center and cloud computing market could be worth as much as \$600bn.

**After all**, if we want to remain the leaders of the free world, maybe we should stick with and adapt to the times we live in.

**After all**, much is at stake.

**After all**, it takes sustained dedication to attain world-class expertise.

**After all**, no one wants to receive public criticism at a shareholder meeting.

**After all**, the Greek people are always appreciative of those who care about them.

**After all**, there are suspicions that shale producers have exaggerated their ability to produce low-cost oil.

**After all**, US taxmen claim a right to grab a share of big American firms' global profits.

**After all**, corporate boards rarely have to **answer for** their actions or inactions.

**After all**, Trump's victory could serve as an inspiration to Mr. Putin's opponents.

**After all**, bond markets **shrugged off** the resignation of Matteo Renzi, Italy's prime minister, in December.

**After all**, investors own lots of other securities that do not have any voting rights.

**After all**, does anyone in the public actually expect Clinton or Trump and their campaigns to hew to the truth?

**After all**, it is a hassle-free solution to a domestic problem.

**After all**, immigration from outside Europe has exceeded EU migration for the past 40 years.

**After all**, the mind has a way of blocking out memories of trauma.

**After all**, website-designers or financial advisers in London can deliver their services to Chinese clients costlessly and instantly over the internet.

**After all**, if France were to devalue, what would stop the Italians or the Greeks from following suit?

**After all**, boomers are the most divorced generation in history.

**After all**, we know it will disappear in a few seconds.

**After all**, it is Congress that wrote the complex tax code.

**After all**, the world looks to China as an engine of growth.

**After all**, India has already received a hearty stimulus.

**After all**, in a global village, when we help them we help ourselves.

**After all**, being in the right place at the right time is one of the keys to our success.

**After all**, the world is crying out for technically minded graduates.

**After all**, it is something that happens to everyone.

**After all**, tax is a sovereign issue for each individual member state within the EU.

**After all**, one day the luck will run out.

**After all**, the answer was in the classroom.

**After all**, for a place fed up with globalization, Rushden seems to have benefited handsomely from the outside world.

**After all**, India is a vigorous federal democracy.

**After all**, the loss on a bad loan cannot exceed 100% of its original value.

**After all**, we share the same goal: to stop financial crime from being the most profitable industry in the world.

**After all**, it is the private sector that helps bring life to our streets in the shape of pop-up restaurants and quirky cafes, exciting galleries and friendly pubs.

**After all**, buyer's remorse may set in as the economy slips towards recession.

**All in all, ...**



**All in all**, the German economy has once again defied many external headwinds and performed another solid growth year in 2015.

**All in all**, there will be less than 18 months to negotiate.

**All in all**, this interim report points to a litany of failings in the asset-management industry.

**All in all**, the report is strong enough to keep the Fed on course to raise rates in September.

**All in all**, European banks have fallen behind their American counterparts.

**All in all**, optimists think the environmental damage caused by a one-term Trump administration could be relatively limited.

**All in all**, the report is strong enough to keep the Fed on course to raise rates in September.

**All in all**, this suggests that the manufacturing sector contributed very little to fourth quarter GDP growth.

**All in all**, the power of the Bank of Japan to overcome structural imbalances in Japan's economy seems to be diminishing.

### **All things considered, ...**

**All things considered**, analysts have kept a wary eye on such banks.

### **As a result, ...**

**As a result**, keeping track of terrorism suspects is now harder.

**As a result**, we have terminated our contract with them.

**As a result**, relative laws have also been put in place.

**As a result**, every creditor who does not receive full payment can file a lawsuit.

**As a result**, dollar borrowing spills over into easier credit conditions in domestic markets.

**As a result**, many frustrated employers are turning openings for full-time positions into multiple part-time slots.

**As a result**, he has lost the support his party.

**As a result**, whenever the internet zigged, Yahoo zagged.

**As a result**, reformers are thinking afresh about autonomous schools.

**As a result**, cost-benefit analysis becomes almost impossible.

**As a result**, job creation is once again pushing unemployment down.

**As a result**, there is a strong possibility that voters will reject the proposals.

**As a result**, less capital is tied up during a transaction.

**As a result**, there is a good chance of banks and technology companies forming mutually beneficial partnerships to improve services to their customers rather than fighting each other.

**As a result**, although the global electric car market is still tiny, it is most advanced in China.

**As a result**, the pie often becomes smaller, and some countries end up very unhappy.

**As a result**, the importance of the rule of law, once an abstract concept to many Americans, has become concrete.

**As a result**, the number of rigs active in America has dropped by half since the start of the year.

**As a result**, markets seem convinced that the US will gradually exit its prolonged period of excessive reliance on unconventional monetary policy.

**As a result**, UK waters will become more hospitable for some species and less suitable for others.

**As a result**, UPS, FedEx and DHL say they are bracing for a flood of new packages.

**As a result**, Foxconn and its affiliates will get 66% of Sharp for 88 yen per share.

**As a result**, every creditor who does not receive full payment can file a lawsuit.

**As a result**, its appetite for commodities has probably peaked.

**As a result**, the number of rigs active in America has dropped by half since the start of the year.

**As a result**, European companies as well as households rely heavily on banks.

**As a result**, there is the risk of panic-type selling at some point.

**As a result**, rail stocks have been down an average of about 26% so far this year.

**As a result**, plenty of shareholders have not been paying attention to the vast amounts being doled out.

**As a result**, many countries have programs to attract entrepreneurs and investors.

**As a result**, 1,500 communities have been left without a bank on their high streets.

**As a result**, people must save more to fund future requirements.

**As a result**, insurers would hemorrhage money with a sicker population to serve.

**As a result**, the French government is looking for additional sources of income.

**As a result**, there are pockets of financial strain inside the group.

**As a result**, demand for visas is at unprecedented levels.

**As a result**, melting ice sheets and warming oceans will lead to rising seas in the coming years.

**As a result**, when you write a foreign name in Chinese, you add meaning whether you intend to or not.

**As a result**, some businesses **either** overspend **or** misdirect their spending on data protection.

**As a result**, the eurozone's third-largest economy has been made more vulnerable to a banking crisis.

**As a result**, AI (artificial intelligence) has the potential to reduce the need for human shop assistants, reducing overall labor costs.

**As a result**, roughly 28.5 million Americans, many of whom are young and healthy, are still without insurance.

**As a result**, the glutted oil market has started to even out.

**As a result**, women have no time to finish their education, learn new skills, open a business or even go to the doctor.

**As a result**, the rules in many industries, from construction equipment to cars, are changing.

**As a result**, no set of government proposals on leaving the EU will be published until February at the earliest.

**As a result**, network effects are not as strong in these sorts of business.

**As a result**, a vote for a Brexit could be a drag on consumer demand throughout Europe.

**As a result**, insurers have suffered from mispricing their plans.

**As a result**, young people are facing unprecedented pressure.

**As a result**, priority is given to stability and ease of use.

**As a result**, some economists say a July rate hike is still a possibility.

**As a result**, the gap between US and UK interest rates is likely to widen.

**As a result**, some insurers have refused to cover prescriptions for the drug.

**As a result**, Nicosia now holds two distinctions.

**As a result**, the US and EU stakeholders have become increasingly frustrated.

**As a result**, the union state is now heading for break-up.

**As a result**, investors are taking a big extra risk and piling into emerging-market corporate debt.

**As a result**, the reasons for success or failure among emerging markets may be quite different from the recent past.

**As a result**, firms with a domestic focus are winning market share.

**As a result**, premiums would rise further, deterring yet more healthy customers.

**As a result**, the allure of the project has waned.

**As a result**, the government has urged people to switch to digital payments from their cellphone.

**As a result**, the US cap is often reached within days.

**As a result**, profits could be as low as £74m in 2016, down from an expected £89m.

**As a rule, ...**

**As a rule**, lawmen do not like to say much more than they have to.

**As a rule**, education should not be narrowly vocational.

**As a whole, ...**

**As a whole**, we have a black cloud over the market.

**As a whole**, the country has a long-running current-account deficit.

**As always, ...**

**As always**, we remain committed to enhancing shareholder value.

**As always**, it is the civilians in Aleppo who pay the price.

**As always**, there was a steady stream of noxious idiocies from the candidate himself.

**As always**, there are reasons to be thankful, starting with family and health.

**As always**, traditional measures such as state aid, export incentives and public procurement are being used to protect domestic producers.

**As the saying goes, ...**

**As the saying goes**, past performance is no guide to future return.

**As the old saying goes**, in the kingdom of the blind, the one-eyed man is king.

As the old saying goes ...

**As usual, ...**

**As usual,** Europe is putting regulation above innovation.

**As usual,** business is not an option.

**At any rate, ...**

**At any rate,** much of the European industry will need a full-scale overhaul in order to survive.

**At any rate,** investors roundly disbelieve India's growth figures.

**At best, ...**

**At best,** this bias in published results has produced a polluted evidence base.

**At best,** Tesla will have ramped up its production to 320,000 cars, rather than its target of 500,000 in 2020.

**At best,** this is a fight that could be embroiled in lawsuits for years.

**At best,** these bonds are for opportunistic trading.

**At best,** the UK might participate in a free trade area in goods.

**At best,** the US looks set for growth of about 2% this year.

**At best,** the court system no longer appears fair.

**At best,** that makes the boss of the Philippines' police and prosecutors not only a liar, but also a cheerleader for extra-judicial killings.

**At best,** these kids are wildly competitive.

**At best,** the experience is personally crushing, even in the longer term for some.

**At best,** they seem a longer-term answer.

**At best,** that leads to understand the necessary style blunders.

**At best,** such a levy will barely curb emissions.

**At best**, they see Brexit as a pain; and **at worst**, a threat.

**At best**, banks are using the technique to offload specific risks or types of assets, such as non-performing loans.

**At best**, the Brexit will cause a protracted period of uncertainty and subdued spending.

**At best**, stock markets are liquid, transparent, and cheap for investors to use.

**At best**, political leaders focus on technical fixes to finagle agreements such as CETA (Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement) through.

**At best**, she has been very badly advised.

**At best**, your neighbors consider you a cautionary tale.

**At first, ...**

**At first**, the two labels seem to have little in common.

**At first**, these companies were doubtful of our efforts.

**At first**, the SFO focused on the company's activities in the emerging markets of India and China.

**At first glance, ...**

**At first glance**, American jails actually look leakier.

**At first glance**, these events might appear to be disconnected.

**At first glance**, it is difficult to see how Britain's 12m pensioners can afford all this high living.

**At first glance**, the bottle might look like a fine Champagne from LVMH, the French maker of wine, spirits and other luxury goods.

**At first glance**, two events in the past week suggest that federal regulators in the US are losing ground against "two big to fail" financial institutions.

**At first glance**, this is not apparent.

**At first glance**, it would seem to have little to fear.

**At first glance**, Germany should not have been vulnerable to a credit crunch.

**At first glance**, it seems the good times are still rolling.

**At first glance**, this could seem like a comforting metric.

**At first glance**, it appears many of these people are being inconsiderate and ought to be called out online.

**At first glance**, it is hard to fathom how theater can compete with film's economies of scale.

**At first glance**, 'Sell stocks in May' makes sense.

**At first glance**, it would seem to have little to fear.

**At first glance**, Brexit should have no direct impact on any of these advantages.

**At first glance**, the news is not as dire as it might appear.

**At first sight, ...**

**At first sight**, it was a triumph.

**At first sight**, this seems very promising.

**At first sight**, one would regard marijuana and alcohol in general as clear rivals and that every extra dollar spent on weed meant a dollar less on booze.

**At first sight**, the warning signals are flashing.

**At present, ...**

**At present**, Volkswagen is not selling any one of its diesel models.

**At present**, people mainly use GrabPay to pay for Grab rides, but the aim is that customers will eventually use it to buy all manner of daily items.

**At present**, such a mammoth deal appears to be unlikely.

**At present**, households appear to be entirely looking through Brexit-related uncertainties

**At present**, there is no obvious candidate to replace the BoE's governor, Mark Carney.



**At present,** their plans are precautionary but it seems more and more likely that thousands of jobs will move from London.

**At present,** there is little reason to fear new barriers will be erected for UK firms.

**At present,** Western suppliers see the rise of Chinese aerospace as a boon.

**At present,** there is no agreed destination.

**At present,** China is more intent on defusing financial risks than on ginning up GDP.

**At present,** Tesla sells only luxury models.

**At present,** EU leaders rule out any talks over trade or intra-EU migration.

**At present,** the economic signals are mixed – we are in unusually uncertain period.

**At present,** Brussels insists that Greece has done nearly enough to complete the first review of its €86bn bailout.

**At present,** businesses that rely on EU markets are making contingency plans.

**At present,** both CEOs stressed that the partnership is limited to the creation of these minivans for Google's testing purposes.

**At present,** it is Ireland that is set to benefit from any windfall.

**At present,** the new university has only 240 students, mostly from middle-class families.

**At the least, ..., At the very least, ...**

**At the least,** the affected banks should become aware of the attack at the end of the trading day when their books do not add up.

**At the very least,** consumers would have been forced to pay more to account for the piece of the action.

**At the very least,** this raises serious questions about the payment of incentives based on bogus activity.

**At the very least,** he will demand they stump up even more if American military support is to continue.

**At the very least,** Mr. Trump will demand the Saudis stump up even more if American military support is to continue.

**At the very least,** the country needs a clear policy on bringing in menial foreign workers, rather than ignoring the abuse of student and trainee visas.

**At the very least,** the board's maneuverings have dented Tata's reputation as a beacon of sound corporate governance.

**At the very least,** opponents must rise to the same standard and offer an alternative.

**At the very least,** Mr. Abe should prevent fiscal policy from becoming a drag on the recovery.

**At the very least,** amid these anxieties, the economy is gaining strength.

**At the very least,** the cost of hiring replacement ought to give hard-pressed employees room to bargain for better treatment.

**At the moment, ...**

**At the moment,** politicians are in thrall to the baby boomers.

**At the moment,** the household debt to GDP ratio is around 140%, compared with almost 170% in 2008.

**At the moment,** the dangers of populism are abundantly obvious around the world.

**At the moment,** these issues are on the back burner.

**At the moment,** our members are suffering a tough time.

**At the moment,** there are two banks pointing in very different directions.

**At the moment,** the government covers roughly a third of medical expenses.

**At the moment,** illicit manufacturers and drug dealers do not know how people will react to the drug until it hits the market.

**At the moment,** the answer to this problem is mostly no.

**At the moment,** the situation appears to be getting worse.

**At the moment,** Mitsubishi Motors does not need to seek financial aid.

**At the moment,** no one in the region seems to want to make life harder for China.

**At the moment,** the cost of housing is high for everyone, whether you rent or have a mortgage.

**At the moment,** our citizens feel insecure.

**At the moment,** these tests fall short of what is possible with amniocentesis or CVS testing.

**At the moment,** creditors cannot take any legal action against a defaulter until a restructuring plan is in place.

**At the moment,** there is a lot of liquidity in the financial sector.

**At the moment,** the experiment is justified on the grounds that the workers who had to work less felt less stressed and reported sick less often.

**At the moment,** Brexit is almost all that matters for the pound.

**At the moment,** energy stocks are a 'no news is good news' sector.

**At the moment,** Leavers cannot even strike a deal with themselves.

**At the moment,** the economics of coal are terrible.

**At the same time, ...**

**At the same time,** growth in TV advertising has slowed.

**At the same time,** companies have to pay more to borrow, particularly if they have low credit ratings.

**At the same time,** America's national-park idea has not only evolved and adjusted to our country's needs, it has also spread beyond our borders to virtually every other nation in the world.

**At the same time,** the information revolution has eroded faith in the institutions that once served as arbiters of reality.

**At the same time,** Mr. Trump seems keen on new government spending,

**At the same time,** RBS has made huge strides in its restructuring.

**At the same time**, investing is intrinsically complicated and time-consuming.

**At the same time**, Trump has promised to greatly reduce individual and corporate tax rates.

**At the same time**, more turnover is likely to force employers to further bump up pay in a virtuous cycle.

**At the same time**, older adults have more options for where to spend their golden years.

**At the same time**, women and minorities are being shut out of the highest-paying sectors of the American economy.

**At the same time**, supermarkets are destroying their profit margins as they fight for new shoppers and fight off deep discounters like Walmart and online sellers.

**At the same time**, investors will want an attractive return on the bonds to compensate them for the extra risks.

**At the same time**, the prime minister has indicated she may seek to shield some favored sectors from the impact of Brexit.

**At the same time**, some Americans are working multiple part-time gigs because they have no choice.

**At the same time**, skilled workers with the ability to work in highly automated plants are retained or even see expanded opportunity in the US.

**At the same time**, viewers are paying much more for having so many options.

**At the same time**, individuals across the globe can find an audience much more easily than was possible.

**At the same time**, a lot of entertainment has been commoditized as the barriers to production and distribution have come down.

**At the same time**, however, the global outlook has become more fragile, with risks in China, the euro area and some emerging markets, and an increase in policy uncertainty.

**At the same time**, they are pushing hard on unhealthy products.

**At the same time**, the government needs to rein in demand for NHS (National Health Service) services.

**At the same time**, banks rely more heavily on incentive pay than most other industries.

**At the same time**, kids' having access to so many screens is a relatively new phenomenon.

**At the same time**, the Internet has allowed pollsters to measure public opinion quickly and inexpensively.

**At the same time**, the referendum result brings the risk of recession and a blow to sales.

**At the same time**, it is naïve to pursue them without thinking about their consequences.

**At the same time**, the watch industry's contraction puts more downward pressure on wages than on rents.

**At the same time**, inflation has picked up, house prices have wobbled and businesses say they are nervous about hiring and investing.

**At the same time**, discount chains such as Aldi and Trader Joe's are growing and expanding their organic offerings, forcing other chains to cut prices.

**At the same time**, it is incumbent on news outlets to create great journalism that readers are willing to pay for in digital form.

**At the same time**, it cannot be so hard, and take so long to get incompetent or corrupt employees off the public payroll.

**At the same time**, it's important to appreciate that well-executed buybacks are one of the most-potent ways for a company to boost shareholder return.

**At the same time**, it is unreasonable to expect drivers to change their habits purely because of an altruistic sense of duty.

**At the same time**, the gap between Silicon Valley's giants and their peers abroad has grown wider.

**At the same time**, on-the-job training is shrinking.

**At the same time**, the US has led the world in reducing carbon-dioxide emissions

**At the same time**, central banks have delivered hard blows to banks and their stock prices.

**At the same time**, it certainly launched the careers of many talented young journalists.

**At the same time**, the average working life has not changed much.

**At the same time**, the presence of outside shareholders brings at least some market discipline.

**At the same time**, many companies, such as Amazon and Google, are looking to drones as a new form of delivery.

**At the same time**, Mr. Trump seems keen on new government spending.

**At the same time**, higher US rates tend to increase the value of the dollar and that inflates the dollar-denominated debts of emerging market countries.

**At the same time**, investors are seeking more liquid alternatives to traditional hedge funds.

**At the same time**, Trump supporters feel not only vilified, but validated.

**At the same time**, the group became hyper-focused on precise targets for group earnings and capital returns to shareholders.

**At the same time**, Americans have been leaving petrol stations with fatter wallets, thanks to cheaper oil.

**At the same time**, bad debts from the past decade's lending binge are catching up with banks.

**At the same time**, China's recent financial tumult has been unnerving for the investors exposed to it.

**At the same time**, many traditional middle-class jobs, like those in construction and manufacturing, have vanished.

**At the same time**, Scotland is preparing for another independence referendum.

**At the same time**, the government's grip on finance is slipping.

**At the same time**, the obstacles seem insurmountable.

**At the same time**, the budding journalists are well aware of the massive headwinds buffeting their chosen field.

**At the same time**, bad debts from the past decade's lending binge are catching up with banks.

**At the same time**, the government has created even more obstacles to the cross-border purchase of US-dollar denominated insurance plans.

**At the same time**, China's increasingly wealthy citizens have become more concerned with the consequences of environmental pollution.

**At the same time**, luxury retailers are losing share to online sellers.

**At the same time**, the BoE relaxed capital rules to make it easier for banks to lend to households and small businesses.

**At the same time**, the US shale industry has proved far more resilient than expected.

**At the same time**, problems lurked under the surface.

**At the same time**, there was a decline in cod and other natural predators of the lobster larva.

**At the same time**, it must relentlessly counter a variety of ever more potent threats posed by the non-state groups.

**At the same time**, Russians are cutting their own spending dramatically.

**At the same time**, the county and the Fed Aviation Administration must adhere to regulations.

**At the same time**, doing so using fingertip blood, rather than blood extracted from veins, is difficult.

**At the same time**, Goldman has also been lining up funding for its lending push.

**At the same time**, central banks cannot expect to be above criticism or beyond politics.

**At the same time**, public sector revenues also fell for the fourth consecutive years.

**At the same time**, big American firms have become more global.

**At the same time**, lawyers are pressing ahead with another type of litigation.

**At the same time**, it has moved to cut costs.

**At the same time**, Saudi Arabia's spending has been increasing.

**At the same time**, banks in recent years have consolidated in the crowded market.

**At the same time**, trade created new markets for American firms.

**At the same time**, natural-gas prices in both Asia and Europe declined about 30%.

**At the same time**, bad loans are rising in China's vast banking system.

**At the same time**, marketers need to be very transparent.

**At the same time**, it is imperative that we solve these urgent security issues.

### **At the time, ...**

**At the time**, nationals from these new EU countries were subject to transitional labor control.

**At the time**, the 500 million-account breach, which took place in 2014, was the largest on record.

### **At worst, ...**

**At worst**, the skew has caused demonstrable harm.

**At worst**, it makes him a criminal who should be in prison, not the presidential palace.

**At worst**, the Fed prevented the economy from tumbling into an even deeper downturn.

**At worst**, political leaders pander to rising protectionism with xenophobic rhetoric.

**At worst**, the forms of private ownership are illiquid, opaque, expensive and exclusively for the very rich.



**At worst**, these kids are physically violent.

**At worst**, the Brexit vote will tip the UK into recession.

**At worst**, investors and economists see Brexit as a threat.

**At worst**, the court system no longer is fair.

**At worst**, terminal sales will be slower than anticipated.

**At worst**, such a levy could cause a trade war.

**At worst**, the social-credit project could become a 360-degree digital-surveillance panopticon.

**At worst**, it leads to companies having the freedom to make foolish decisions that put our privacy and security at risk.

### **Believe it or not, ...**

**Believe it or not**, it could also be the hottest day of the year so far.

**Believe it or not**, EMC was considered one of the hottest tech stocks to own during the Internet boom of the late 1990s and early 2000.

**Believe it or not**, airlines around the world are slowly increasing availability of frequent-flier award tickets.

**Believe it or not**, there are still stocks that are attractively priced.

**Believe it or not**, Catholic doctrine on sex does matter.

**Believe it or not**, both trends are seen as positive by people who follow education.

**Believe it or not**, the same advice applies.

**Believe it or not**, there are people for whom a nest egg of \$450 million would be a hardship.

**Believe it or not**, that is a good thing.

**Believe it or not**, many small-business owners and entrepreneurs inadvertently try to be better than Apple.

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**Believe it or not**, people in Minnesota, New Jersey, South Dakota and Vermont will be voting by the end of this week.

**Believe it or not**, the union movement is starting to embrace innovation.

**Believe it or not**, on Christmas Eve, families gather for a traditional Christmas dinner of Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC).

**Believe it or not**, there are some independent oil and gas companies that are good at getting oil out of the ground.

### **Broadly speaking, ..., Generally speaking, ...**

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**Broadly speaking**, China has three options for tackling its banks' non-performing loans (NPLs).

**Broadly speaking**, the process comes to a close when the bidding price exceeds the selling price.

**Broadly speaking**, the market for physical tokens could consolidate over time.

**Broadly speaking**, the financial system is better prepared.

**Broadly speaking**, they are not legally responsible, either for what their users do or for the harm that their services can cause in the real world.

**Generally speaking**, the system works.

**Generally speaking**, borrowers of shorter-term credit, such as credit cards, will see the greatest immediate impact from a Fed rate hike.

**Generally speaking**, the smaller the company is, the more risk it is likely to have, but it is also likely to have a higher reward over time.

**Generally speaking**, while the US presidency is still the world's most powerful job, there is little a president can do without congressional support.

**Generally speaking**, technology is outstripping not just existing regulations, but the speed with which government regulators can rule on new regulations.

**By and large, ...**

**By and large**, we have profitable stores.

**By and large**, foreign banks still serve international companies, which are among the safest borrowers in China.

**By and large**, banks in other parts of the world fared far better.

**By and large**, it has worked well enough for all three sides to want to maintain it.

**By and large**, the other big selling point is that pets receive better treatment.

**By and large**, China's export industry is not migrating inland.

**By and large**, the fraudsters are trying to make easy money.

**By and large**, governments of those countries work for ordinary people and the middle class, rather than for the billionaire class.

**By and large**, funds do not invest directly in other ETFs (exchange-traded funds).

**By and large**, venture capital firms have failed to act on these calls to increase the number of women and minorities in their ranks.

**By and large**, GE has won globally as a business by its own efforts.

**By and large**, businesses continue to work with them.

**By and large**, Chinese buyers are far more indebted than the firms they are acquiring.

**By and large**, foreign banks still serve international companies.

**By and large**, those doubts have been allayed.

**By and large**, Theranos's measurements agreed with those of the other labs, and cost much less.

**By and large,** kids 18 months and younger should be kept away from screens.

**By historical standards, ...**

**By historical standards,** these yields are still very low.

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**By the same token,** the commission said that a Dutch subsidiary of Starbucks had overpaid a Swiss unit for coffee beans.

**By the same token,** if Swedes ever defaulted on their mortgages in large numbers, Swedish banks would be in big trouble.

**By the same token,** in the name of security of supply, governments should be encouraging the growth of seamless global energy markets.

**By the same token,** the slump in volumes is not a disaster for the world economy.

**By the same token,** most Hindu temples have steered clear of the scheme, despite pressure from the government.

**By the same token,** low rates explain why lots of companies' pension funds are in deficit.

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**By the same token**, Chinese home prices have been much higher for a number of years than in the U.S. prior to the global financial crisis.

**By the same token**, small banks have not been fined quite so heavily by prosecutors in America and elsewhere.

**By the way, ...**

**By the way**, the ratings were not fantastic.

**First of all, ...**

**First of all**, the country needs a salesman.

**First of all**, Greece has to declare what it wants.

**For a start, ...**

**For a start**, China should plan for turmoil.

**For better or worse, ... For better or for worse, ...**

**For better or worse**, Wall Street chiefs should reap what they sow.

**For better or worse**, here is what he will be remembered for rescuing the economy,

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**For better or worse**, it seems they will be right.

**For better and worse**, the drug war's fifth year throws up new trends.

**For better or worse**, people are ready to get in on the next hot play.

**For better or worse,** the media have a vital role to play in our democracy.

**For better or worse,** it looks like many hybrid and EV owners are driven more by financial motives rather than a responsibility to the environment.

**For better or worse,** the next president will sit at the eye of this storm.

**For better or worse,** the number of zones could top 5,000 before long.

**For better or worse,** it is a post-advertising world.

**For better or worse,** an exit would allow Greece to be Greece.

**For better or worse,** Hillary Clinton has stuck with her husband Bill Clinton for four decades.

**For better or worse,** The Donald makes a lot of news.

**For better or worse,** we choose as Person of the Year the individual who has had the greatest influence on the world and the news each year.

**For better or worse,** organizations were not just promoting themselves but pioneering a new form of journalism for the social media world.

**For better or worse,** FBI chief has shown independence.

**For better or worse,** their fortunes are largely going to be dictated by regulators.

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**For better or for worse**, those stores are all gone, due in part to pressure from the online retailer that has reshaped the American retail landscape in recent decades.

**For better or for worse**, the globalization train has long since left the station, and the idea that one can turn it back is utterly naive.

**For better or for worse**, we produce a dynamic snapshot of trends in this way.

**For better or for worse**, feminism has become trendy.

**For good or ill, ...**

**For good or ill**, growing armies of rule-interpreters and enforcers are bringing striking changes to banks' internal cultures.

**For good or ill**, the result next Thursday will surely open a new chapter.

**For good or ill**, in the history of human beings, it has never been easier to organize groups or to communicate both truth and lies.

**For starters, ...**

**For starters**, commercial real estate holders can write off all their interest expenses.

**For starters**, something called “anchoring” is to blame for card holders paying just the minimum.

**For starters**, Trump could turn the management over to people besides his own sons.

**For the moment, ...**

**For the moment**, most Taiwanese, like the government itself, are more interested in the economy.

**For the most part, ...**

**For the most part**, especially on Twitter, and unlike any recent president-elect, Trump has stayed in campaign mode.

**For the time being, ...**

**For the time being**, there are no commercial sanctions whatsoever.

**For the time being**, the UK remains a member of the EU.

**For the time being**, careful maintenance of the longstanding US policy toward Taiwan is the best path forward.

**For the time being**, financial markets can shrug their shoulders at the arrival of President-elect Trump.

**For the time being**, there was not enough evidence to warrant higher borrowing costs.

**For the time being**, games are still the best proof of concept.

**For the time being**, HP's rivals seem likely to carry on finding ways to sell their cheap cartridges.

**For the time being**, investors are trying to work out what comes next for China and its commodities.

**For the time being**, China wishes to draw the Philippines into its camp.

**For the time being**, investors are ignoring the spikes in bond yields and the dollar.

**For the time being**, the most popular AR (augmented reality) apps are still found on smartphones.

**For the time being**, this seems to be helping the market.

**For the time being**, the prevailing view in Bangkok is that the succession will eventually proceed.

**For the time being**, we are diverting most of our engineering development resources to focusing on two huge new projects.

**For the time being**, we have cut staff in only a very few locations – some in Germany, some in Brazil.

**For the time being**, Ryanair is devoting only one plane to the service.

**For the time being**, HSBC can point out that the year is still young.

**For the time being**, Alphabet can do as it pleases.

**For the time being**, more than half of the adult workers are employed in



agriculture.

**For the time being**, with just 12% of the market, Amazon lags behind the home-grown successes, Flipkart (45%) and Snapdeal (26%).

**For the time being**, the matter is being handled by the eurozone's finance ministers.

**For the time being**, it is also fair for Tesco to plead for time.

**For the time being**, there are no commercial sanctions whatsoever.

**For the time being**, games are still the best proof of concept.

**For the time being**, there is no point in pretending.

**For the time being**, almost nothing is certain – which explains the huge rise in Britons abroad seeking EU citizenship.

**For the time being**, the big companies in the sector are having those needs met.

**For the time being**, interest rates will remain the same.

### **If history is a/any guide, ...**

**If history is any guide**, that is exactly how we will find out.

**If history is any guide**, it is good for Apple.

**If history is any guide**, ExxonMobil could be the next oil giant to grow bigger through acquisitions.

**If history is any guide**, the industry's old leaders will not be its new ones.

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**If history is any guide**, this process has further to run.

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**In addition, ...**

**In addition,** cyclical tidal surges erode its coastline and flood nearby neighborhoods, both affluent and poor.

**In addition,** the risks to China's economic and financial stability may also undermine Hong Kong's own economic and financial outlook.

**In addition,** all staff are on individual performance bonus schemes and can receive a share of the company profits at the end of the financial year.

**In addition,** global energy and commodity prices have staged a limited recovery in recent weeks.

**In addition,** English wine producers have been starting from scratch.

**In addition,** the company's 600 local men and women employees are being mentored to increase their business skills.

**In addition,** TPG and Dragoneer are permitted to cash out their shares as soon as 90 days after an IPO.

**In addition,** technology can make any capital more efficient.

**In addition,** it was Germany that opposed tough stress tests and other regulatory standards that have worked well in the US.

**In addition,** rather than splash out on costly advertising, it relied on word-of-mouth recommendations and short-lived online sales campaigns.

**In addition,** consumption is a lower priority than raising investments.

**In addition,** with negative interest rates, banks cannot lend probably.

**In addition,** a rise in bond yields may play a part in choking off economic growth.

**In addition,** the failed deal also hurt Pfizer's plans to break itself up.

**In addition,** the former chief executive received £3.7m of share awards under long-term incentive scheme.

**In addition,** beneficiaries can enroll in training programs.

**In addition,** technology cannot replace the human touch.

**In any case, ...**

**In any case,** a lower minimum wage would probably benefit Puerto Rico.

**In any case,** the declines mean an easier path to college and successful careers for young women.

**In any case,** the national infrastructure bank would funnel its cash to infrastructure projects in the form of loans and loan guarantees.

**In any case,** every county needs at least one insurer.

**In any case,** the referendum campaign faces little organized opposition.

**In any case,** the fate of euro-denominated clearing could be determined by regulators and the Brexit negotiations.

**In any case,** a clear strategic message would be welcome at a time of exceptional global stress.

**In any case,** the identity crises of its parties, and the uncertainty of its future role in Europe, will intermingle and influence British politics for years to come.

**In any case,** there is no need for doom and gloom.

**In any case,** we think that something will change.

**In any case,** it allows for the two-year deadline to be extended.

**In any case,** executives are often forbidden to put company computers in the hold for fear of theft or loss of sensitive information.

**In any case,** the real world is throwing off plenty of evidence of the urgent need to replace Obamacare.

**In any event, ...**

**In any event,** the dollar's ascent has stalled because of concerns about America's faltering economy and doubts that the Fed can raise interest rates again.

**In any event,** we are overlooking a serious point.

**In any event**, the future of the nation's nuclear forces does not lie in loose talk about an arms race.

**In contrast, ...**

**In contrast**, Michigan has favored quantity over quality.

**In contrast**, Siemens excels in product design and factory automation.

**In contrast**, a strengthening dollar causes a general tightening of credit in emerging markets.

**In fact, ...**

**In fact**, the issue is more complicated.

**In fact**, these glaciers will all be gone within our lifetime.

**In fact**, millennials want the experiences that come from campus education.

**In fact**, it has shown that central banks and governments do have the capacity to stir a torpid economy.

**In fact**, nearly one-third of Coca-Cola's revenue comes from non-carbonated drinks,

**In fact**, many are trying to silence the fire alarm by drowning it in gasoline.

**In fact**, we considered Trump unfit for the presidency.

**In fact**, both Intel and Mobileye teamed up with BMW to develop self-driving cars.

**In fact**, big deficits often accompany fast growth.

**In fact**, many of Trump's proposals are not so much proposals as they are aspirations.

**In fact**, many oil and gas producers are struggling.

**In fact**, terms in big cities are below the national average in having babies.

**In fact**, more than 2 million people from Taiwan, one-tenth of Taiwan's population, live in mainland China because of economic opportunities, facilitated by language and cultural affinity.

**In fact**, everyone may have a chance to keep some of their sparkle.

**In fact**, the available evidence points the other way.

**In fact**, immigrants bring vitality that the American economy critically needs.

**In fact**, the company has doubled its debt load in recent years.

**In fact**, the risk business is booming everywhere, not just Brazil.

**In fact**, we have often accepted more inequality than many other nations.

**In fact**, it appears Putin was focused more on psychological operation.

**In fact**, the Mexican peso has fallen by about 10% against the dollar since the election.

**In fact**, South Korea's first woman president is haunted by the past.

**In fact**, some predict UK pain ultimately could mean US gain.

**In fact**, already-low margins for this direct response sort of advertising have become even lower in the digital world.

**In fact**, the monetary policy intended to spark growth will risk reducing consumer spending.

**In fact**, across the four presidential debates, not one question about climate change was asked.

**In fact**, many of the bad things we associate with globalization in America were political choices.

**In fact**, many lost US jobs are not going directly to China to the extent that most Americans think.

**In fact**, the likeliest scenario is far less dramatic.

**In fact**, any change requiring bipartisan cooperation will be difficult.

**In fact**, the buying frenzy has already cooled off.

**In fact**, the Mexican peso has fallen by about 10% against the dollar since the election.

**In fact**, a third of those who read about sport in print and online bet on horses and football.,

**In fact**, the Indian public is tired of endless brinkmanship with Pakistan and yearns for stronger, more effective government.

**In fact**, to control the oil market is harder than ever.

**In fact**, this is not precisely a free-speech issue.

**In fact**, it remains a menace to the world's biggest economy.

**In fact**, we seem to be going through two equal and opposite crises at the same time, depending on who you listen to.

**In fact**, the yuan is not overvalued, but undervalued.

**In fact**, an eight-day losing streak has put Apple shares near their lowest level in nearly two years.

**In fact**, there is almost no hard evidence for midlife crisis at all.

**In fact**, there is little prospect of Western intervention.

**In fact**, they could actually exacerbate difficulties servicing remaining debt.

**In fact**, the world is full of positive trends that also deserve attention.

**In fact**, more than one-third of Americans have nothing saved for retirement.

**In fact**, for the most part it has likely made us better off.

### **In general, ...**

**In general**, Americans do save more than before the financial crisis.

**In general**, this rule makes sense economically.

**In general**, the steel business is not a model for trade policy.

**In general**, the economists are no better than the studio executives.

**In general**, greater opportunity makes people better off.

**In general**, taxes should not overly influence decisions on what to buy or produce.

**In general**, emerging markets were in a funk; two of the largest, Brazil and Russia, were deep in recession.

**In general**, poor countries are glad to have the investment.

**In general**, British brands have been enjoying a boost from tourist spending since last summer's Brexit vote.

**In general**, smaller phones are now scarce.

**In general**, Yahoo is expected to get \$5 billion to \$6 billion for its core business, intellectual property such as patents, and for real estate.

**In general**, regulators said they are increasingly focused on such issues and are grilling banks about their security measures.

**In general**, greater opportunity makes people better off.

**In general**, our policies and practices are applicable to related party transactions.

**In general**, any law that presidents mostly use in their second terms has unusual power to cause rows.

**In general**, we are seeing an uptick in available part-time positions.

### **In other words, ...**

**In other words**, Washington is going to spend more of your money to avoid doing its job

**In other words**, Britain's choice is not all or nothing.

**In other words**, some students believe once they earn their degree and get a high-paying job, their loan payments will be changed.

**In other words**, the Fed's policy shapes credit conditions in rich countries that have both flexible exchange rates and central banks.

**In other words**, this is a political problem as much as an economic one.

**In other words**, there is no advantage in being correct.

**In other words**, all businesses have problems, and as long as the problems are dealt with responsibly.

**In other words,** if people think it works, it must work.

**In other words,** Britain's choice is not all or nothing.

**In other words,** Britain's political spectrum is in flux.

**In other words,** if you are not devoting some part of your day to thinking about this, your head is in the clouds.

**In other words,** it is a widely speculative enterprise.

**In other words,** China has reached a level of development where it needs a more sophisticated financial system.

**In other words,** official borrowing costs could be cut from their record low of 0.5%.

**In other words,** the government must give the market room to work.

**In other words,** China's slowdown has been much sharper in poorer areas than richer ones.

**In other words,** the payday lending system is expressly designed to bleed borrowers who are typically struggling workers or people in fixed incomes.

**In other words,** the recovery may not be complete.

**In other words,** the Satoshi saga is not yet over.

**In other words,** Yellen does not want to react to such a scenario but cushion the potential blow.

**In other words,** China's slowdown has been much sharper in poorer areas than richer ones.

**In other words,** what you cannot see may hurt you.

**In other words,** no matter how bad you think it is, it could be worse.

**In other words,** remainers need to disengage from the last battle, the referendum, before they engage with the next, however hard it is to predict when this will come.

**In other words,** immigration policy trumps pan-EU passporting rights.



**In other words**, investors are lending to companies as if they were becoming safer borrowers, even as their liabilities increase.

**In other words**, while there is certainly a lot of money pouring into digital media, it is not the kind of money that has supported much of traditional media.

**In other words**, there is no risk out there; rather, when the risks at the forefront rotate out, new risks rotate in.

**In other words**, dividend payments to overseas investors into UK assets have far outweighed the investment income that UK investors have earned on their investments overseas.

**In other words**, for future returns to match the past, future economic conditions would have to look completely different.

**In other words**, supporting trade deals doesn't automatically make a chief executive a free-trade purist.

**In other words**, these are customers who wish to be prepared for all eventualities.

**In other words**, banks could be trading at depressed levels because of low interest rates.

**In other words**, we consider ourselves hackers.

**In other words**, Jane Yellen is not keen to rely only on old models.

**In other words**, the US is figuring out how to produce economic growth without consuming more energy.

**In other words**, you only get credit for earnings up to the taxable maximum amount for each year.

**In other words**, much like YouTube's growth was dependent on users not just watching videos but also uploading content.

**In other words**, you cannot exercise away all the bad effects of sitting too much.

**In other words**, the director has too much power and the agency has too much independence.

**In other words**, there is a real chance that prices could fall further, as farmers despair and sell their stocks.

**In other words**, the remaining 40 songs have generated no interest at all.

**In other words**, successful online platforms carry the seeds of their own regulation.

**In other words**, the more technical a policy is, the more technocrats can carve out space for themselves.

**In other words**, car rental customers are looking forward to the newest rental cars.

**In other words**, more voters should be unwilling to cast their ballots for a man who wants to depart millions of immigrants.

**In other words**, the amateurs are better at forecasting downturns than the experts.

**In other words**, a college junior seeking a loan on 1 July 2018 would not be subject to these proposals.

**In other words**, the longer easy money continues, the trickier the exit.

**In other words**, the cost of stability in the economy in the long term is more volatility in the markets.

**In other words**, debt caused the last crash, and it will cause the next.

**In other words**, what you cannot see may hurt you.

**In other words**, it is part of governing the country.

**In other words**, the gains of free trade do not always outweigh the losses.

**In other words**, the Fed usually increases interest rates when the economy is steaming ahead.

**In other words**, the more interest rates rise, the sooner Delta Air Lines will be able to stop devoting \$1 billion annually to pension funding.

**In other words**, she has spent 22 years at the company and has finally claimed to the top.

**In other words**, there is no question that America will end up bearing much of the cost Puerto Ricos' past profligacy.

**In other words**, investors are lending to companies as if they were becoming safer borrowers, even as their liabilities increase.

**In other words**, we are never satisfied, since we quickly become accustomed to our own achievements.

**In other words**, India could do more good for the climate, as well as more harm, than most.

**In other words**, like everyone else before and after, they failed to anticipate the possibility of a President Trump.

**In other words**, President-elect Donald Trump will inherit a patient whose short-term trauma has been fixed – but who has quite a few long-lingering problems still to be addressed.

**In other words**, net trade adds to economic growth when the currency weakens and detracts from growth when it strengthens.

**In other words**, fear is not just a symptom of trouble but also a cause.

**In other words**, the more disposable the content is, the more the ads can effectively compete for a user's attention.

**In other words**, the party must give the market room to work.

**In other words**, the flaws and paradoxes of corporate criminal law are likely to persist.

**In other words**, the Satoshi saga is not yet over.

**In other words**, it is making them feel good.

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**In other words**, net trade adds to economic growth when the currency weakens and detracts from growth when it strengthens.

**In other words**, despite the big fall in the cost of borrowing since the crisis, the hurdle rate has not come down.

**In other words**, central banking is now dominated by academics.

**In other words**, the US is doing the hard work of investing new technologies.

**In other words**, they expect more bad news to come - if not this year, then soon enough.

**In other words**, the reality of Iran is not black and white.

**In particular, ...**

**In particular**, general budget curbs can work for a time.

**In particular**, small companies may still struggle to gain anybody's attention.

**In particular**, shares in smaller companies, which tend to rely more on the domestic economy, would probably underperform.

**In particular**, microfinance can play an important role in empowering female farmers.

**In particular**, commodities firms are learning that lesson the hard way.

**In particular**, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) does enforce taxation on bank rewards when your bank reports them to the IRS as a cash value

**In particular**, the Time Warner side had little respect for its new partners.

**In particular**, the new bankruptcy law is expected to help investors.

**In particular**, those in the tech class are the most liberal of the US business elite.

**In particular**, big banks which were hit by the crisis no longer run huge business-school recruiting programs.

**In particular**, both banks have been suffering from a drop in government deposits.

**In particular**, meat packs much more protein per kilogram than plants do.

**In particular**, Oppo shot to the top because it invested heavily in bricks-and-mortar retail distribution in lower-tier cities.

**In particular**, search advertising makes up around three-quarters of Alphabet's total ad revenues.

**In particular**, executives at UBS have been highly critical of negative interest rates.

**In particular,** it will damage America's image in the world.

**In particular,** yuan-denominated outflows and outward foreign direct investment both dropped sharply in the fourth quarter of 2016.

**In particular,** countries should look again at new registers of company ownership.

**In particular,** stock markets rallied as bank shares benefited from hopes that a period of ultra-low interest rates might be nearing an end.

**In particular,** decision by consensus should be replaced with open discussions and voting procedures.

**In particular,** Inuit men were left scarred by the collapse of the sealskin industry.

**In particular,** the many Italian citizens who own bank bonds should receive adequate protection against losses via a compensation fund.

**In particular,** young tech entrepreneurs are more interested in chalking up experiences than piling up possessions.

**In particular,** an uncertain political environment could be increasingly problematic for eurozone growth prospects over the coming months.

**In particular,** young tech entrepreneurs are more interested in chalking up experiences than piling up possessions.

**In particular,** Italy has become a focus of concerns about the political and economic consequences of Brexit.

**In particular,** there is growing evidence that uncertainty about the referendum has delayed major economic decisions.

**In particular,** the national flag-carrier companies took every opportunity to show the world their best.

**In particular,** the ECB is ready for all contingencies following the UK's EU referendum.

**In particular,** travelers overseas are increasingly able to charge a meal or buy souvenirs without paying a foreign-transaction fee.

**In practice, ...**

**In practice**, anything is possible these days.

**In practice**, it often does not work out like that.

**In practice**, streamlining registration has little effect on informal firms that already exist.

**In practice**, the effectiveness of such policies often depends on the characteristics of individual economies.

**In practice**, the government seems to be urging the Bank of Japan to match its stimulus efforts.

**In practice**, it has barely been used.

**In practice**, it may make little difference.

**In practice**, deportation is tricky and choices must be made.

**In practice**, the government has wavered between the two options.

**In practice**, the lines between the shadow and formal banking systems are badly blurred.

**In practice**, voters often punish the party in power.

**In practice**, recruiting firms act as middlemen, handing out job offers to suitable candidates in exchange for a big fee.

**In practice**, some employers may put limits on overt political activities in the office.

**In practice**, it often does not work out like that.

**In practice**, ordinary savers seldom withdraw their money in a panic, since deposits of \$250,000 or less are insured.

**In practice**, every kind of health work is associated with crushing long hours.

**In practice**, such investors have been forced to take more risk in search of a **higher return**.

**In practice**, the line between the shadow and formal banking systems are badly blurred.

**In practice**, he is an excellent choice for the job.

**In practice**, the government has wavered between the two options.

**In practice**, the armed forces are lousy customers.

**In practice**, many profitable findings are not shared.

**In practice**, this is a recipe for a savage battle.

**In practice**, they may well be Asia's best hope for getting more goods and services to flow across borders.

**In practice**, nearly all workers earn a second income in the unofficial economy.

**In practice**, it helps perplexed Brazilian bosses make sense of the political crisis at home.

**In principle, ...**

**In principle**, openness seems a fair exchange for the privilege of limited liability.

**In principle**, it would be utterly wrong to encourage monopolies at home.

**In principle**, German officials are not opposed to delaying maturities and interest payments.

**In principle**, Britain's exporters ought to get a lift from a cheaper pound.

**In principle**, these new techniques should protect economists from their own sloppy theorizing.

**In principle**, cuts in interest rates boost the economy by nudging consumers and companies to spend now and save later.

**In principle**, this is a fairly solid bank, but due to rumors the bank is getting in trouble.

**In principle**, modern encryption is uncrackable.

**In principle**, the state needs to be able to bug bedrooms, read diaries and listen to privileged conversations.

**In principle**, deporting people who fall foul of immigration rules is wise, even liberal.

**In principle**, it makes good sense.

**In principle**, it should be simpler to interfere with the small number of proteins.

**In principle**, this technology could be used to detect anything for which we have a known genetic link.

**In reality, ...**

**In reality**, that is high unlikely to happen.

**In reality**, the main arguments against an FTT (financial transaction tax) are political rather than technical.

**In reality**, it might take time for the dollar to rise.

**In reality**, Britain's presence in Brussels has made a huge difference.

**In reality**, the work and pensions select committee will be asking questions that require urgent answers.

**In reality**, Britons are as addicted to regulation as anyone else.

**In reality**, campaigners say the law has merely been symbolic.

**In reality**, this has proved very difficult.

**In reality**, this process will take time.

**In reality**, it might take time for the dollar to rise.

**In reality**, nearly all the marketing in these apps remains experimental.

**In reality**, these stricter standards are merely sensible ones that most lenders have adopted already.

**In reality**, globalization, if well managed, is a positive-sum force:

**In reality**, of course, most industry observers expect no single European city to hit the jackpot.

**In reality**, the scammers illegally made \$2.8 million on this penny stock while other investors lost their shirts.



**In reality**, things are tougher.

**In reality**, that is high unlikely to happen.

**In reality**, very few qualified startups actually exist in which to invest.

**In reality**, Americans are paying more for fewer health care choices because of Obamacare,

**In reality**, scams are usually far more complex.

**In reality**, most money is created by private banks.

**In reality**, that day could be years away, if it ever comes.

**In reality**, fewer than 5% of borrowers have balances of \$100,000 or greater.

**In reality**, the proposal has some good features, but they are far outweighed by the bad.

**In reality**, those strict standards are merely sensible ones that most lenders have adopted already.

**In reality**, the city would always be on the hook for the payments.

**In reality**, engineers need quiet place to concentrate.

**In reality**, the US enjoys great support in the Philippines.

**In short, ...**

**In short**, Europe lacks the cohesion to avoid a financial crisis.

**In short**, the biggest risk for oil and gas companies continues to be a financial slump with no end in sight.

**In short**, today's young people view the world through the lens of intergenerational fairness.

**In short**, something is going on.

**In short**, the dividend still looks hostage to the oil price.

**In short**, computers are getting much better at handling natural language in all its forms.

**In short**, the report leaves everyone cross with the government.

**In short**, the global economy is playing by new rules, rules Yellen and the Fed are trying to puzzle out.

**In short**, the little-noticed ruling is the key that unlocks the door for investigations everywhere.

**In short**, exchanges must wait for economies developed enough to sustain them.

**In short**, large enterprises and banks have felt no pain.

**In short**, the Federal Trade Commission's privacy regime created more questions than it answered.

**In short**, the bond market is "brittle".

**In short**, this industry is working in a way it never has.

**In short**, even if Britain left the EU, it would not find it easy to scrap many of its regulations.

**In short**, the euro remains a troubled currency, with question marks over both its membership and its direction.

**In short**, there may well have been a short-term turnaround in financial markets.

**In short**, it suits financial markets and western policymakers to blame China for the world economy's current problems.

**In short**, Zuckerberg has become the face and voice of the tech community for the foreseeable, and distant, future.

**In short**, there is no easy way out for China's banks.

**In short**, there is no crisis in Europe that can be solved without Germany.

**In short**, the euro is headed toward collapse.

**In short**, two nations are staring at each other across a political chasm.

**In short**, Italy is too big to fail.

**In short**, there are further lessons to be learned.

**In short**, there are risks ahead but also opportunities.

**In short**, they do not know what to do either.

**In short**, bankers betting on higher interest rates may be disappointing.

**In short**, while there is no certainty as to what the future will hold, expats' rights will be subject to bilateral renegotiation.

**In short**, you want a voice of reason you can count on.

**In short**, it has been very bad news for journalism and freedom of the press.

**In short**, we are not wild about using it.

**In short**, a weaker yuan makes US products less competitive in China.

**In short**, currency risk could become a big source of turbulence in financial markets.

**In short**, America's disquiet over trade is by no means unique these days.

**In short**, it is very hard to see how rising levels of inequality can be squared.

**In short**, China became richer by transforming itself into the world's factory.

**In short**, financial services industry is a story of interdependence among banks of all sizes.

**In sum, ...**

**In sum**, air pollution contributes to more than 3 million premature deaths each year.

**In sum**, the two candidates offer completely different environmental platforms.

**In the end, ...**

**In the end**, Britain may be on the verge of refashioning the world map.

**In the end**, shareholder democracy depends on investors asserting their right to vote in return for providing capital to risky firms.

**In the end**, profits are what matters.

**In the end**, the EU vote is about politics not economics.

**In the end**, the answer may be somewhere in the middle.

**In the meantime, ...**

**In the meantime**, many consumers are struggling to pay off the debt they have accumulated since last December.

**In the meantime**, politicians will find his opinions and interests all too easy to ignore.

**In the meantime**, more serious stuff is being ignored.

**In the meantime**, the BoE's banking supervisory arm, the Prudential Regulation Authority, will monitor the behavior of banks regarding their capital.

**In the meantime**, it will have to put the amount demanded in escrow.

**In the meantime**, a country that was a synonym for stability is suffused with doubt.

**In the meantime**, small businesses face myriad hurdles as they grapple with compliance.

**In the meantime**, private equity will offer an alternative to a public listing.

**In the meantime**, the cost of capital is going up, and we need private investment to pick up.

**In the meantime**, concerns persist about the impact on buildings and rail systems.

**In the meantime**, 3G seems certain to be looking around for its next prey.

**In the meantime**, market uncertainty would sap confidence in Britain's business and investment environment.

**In the meantime**, any company selling a drug with no competitor can charge pretty much whatever it wants.

**In the meantime**, the Tweeds, like so many other families, look for ways to get by.

**In the meantime,** Britain and all who invest in its future can expect a very rocky ride.

**In the meantime,** nothing will change immediately on either side of the channel.

**In the meantime,** Tesla could do a better job of educating its owners about the Autopilot system before letting owners use it.

**In the meantime,** the lack of clarity is likely to damage economic growth in Britain and beyond.

**In the meantime,** the uncertainty means that few businesses will be inclined to invest in new projects.

**In the meantime,** US interest rates look likely to remain lower.

**In the meantime,** the owners of sick firms retain day-to-day management control.

**In the meantime,** what you do not know can hurt you.

**In the meantime,** they will try to hold on to making money if they can.

**In the meantime,** Morocco is focused on using solar to meet its own needs for resource independence.

**In the meantime,** it is true that the number of duff loans in the system has stabilized and that banks have set aside lots of provisions.

**In the meantime,** what you do not know can hurt you.

**In the meantime,** product development in Cupertino will continue to race ahead at the speed of technology.

**In the meantime,** regulators are trying to undo some of the excesses.

**In the meantime,** house churches continue to grow in China.

**In the meantime,** the terrorist group extends its bloody battlefield ever farther.

**In the meantime,** there are big risks for Goldman itself.

**In the meantime,** Apple is still piling up cash; it now has a cash mountain of \$233bn.

**In the meantime**, they are trying various tactics.

**In the meantime**, companies need to develop a new business model built around a quest for returns rather than for reserves.

**In the meantime**, renewable energy prices are falling fast.

**In the past, ...**

**In the past**, many workers came from Italy, Croatia, and other parts of Europe.

**In the past**, luxury goods were seen as a symbol of wealth and status for Chinese consumers.

**In the past**, many advisers had to abide only by a suitability standard.

**In theory, ...**

**In theory**, they should be quick and easy.

**In theory**, India is keen to help its poor, but not very good at it in practice.

**In theory**, Tesco's better buying clout and more efficient operations should lead to lower prices for shoppers.

**In theory**, the prospect of digging up 2bn tons of ore from a country that is among the poorest on earth should be encouraging.

**In theory**, it would not be able to control prices in these stores as they are run and owned by independent operators.

**In theory**, the money row could be settled in the international courts.

**In theory**, this is official and legal.

**In theory**, this should entail willingness to welcome international capital and labor.

**In theory**, more money sloshing around the banking system should raise prices.

**In theory**, border adjustments do not affect trade, because export subsidies and import taxes both push up the dollar.

**In theory**, the next American President could seek to reverse this.

**In theory**, the level would cause inflation to neither rise nor fall.

**In theory**, China's economy should be able to accommodate many of the unemployed.

**In theory**, shadow banks diversity sources of credit and spread risk away from the regular banks.

**In theory**, such extra features should encourage companies to buy new cloud services from Microsoft.

**In theory**, the profusion of new drugs offers an opportunity to rethink various aspects of drug policy.

**In theory**, the BOJ could buy more government bonds to hold down yields.

**In theory**, they should seek higher returns, but also take care to manage risks.

**In theory**, a financially strong corporate sector is good news for workers.

**In theory**, it should help UK manufacturers to increase market share.

**In theory**, it is not hard for the frackers to increase production rapidly.

**In theory**, negative rates should encourage consumers and businesses to spend more freely and stimulate growth.

**In theory**, the more a government does to revive demand, the less its central bank has to do

**In theory**, poorer places should eventually converge with rich areas because they will attract businesses with their cheaper labor and land.

**In theory**, Chinese officials receive promotions based on their performance against a range of targets.

**In theory**, this should bolster the Fed's commitment to normalizing policy with at least two further rate hikes this year.

**In theory**, China's capital controls can ease the pressure.

**In theory**, that would allow the FBI to get around the pass-code feature on later model iPhones.

**In theory**, we put criminals in prison to punish them and to deter others from following their bad example.

**In theory**, Malaysia's non-Muslims are not subject to religious rules.

**In theory**, outside shareholders could push for changes.

**In theory**, the capital is never touched.

**In theory**, higher pay cuts corruption, but in practice, the opposite happens.

**In theory**, sensitive personal data is still accessible to law enforcement.

**In theory**, it would be better off returning money to shareholders.

**In theory**, night workers could avoid health problems by completely switching to a night-time schedule.

**In theory**, banks have learned to insulate themselves from the adverse effects of rising rates.

**In theory**, this system makes bank failures less contagious and the financial system more resilient.

**In theory**, at least, airlines will soon have a wider choice of planes.

**In theory**, digital central-bank money could even replace cash.

**In theory**, shadow lenders should seek higher returns, but also take care to manage risks.

**In theory**, shadow banks diversify sources of credit and spread risk away from the regular banks.

### **In truth, ...**

**In truth**, most people prefer a decent life at home.

**In truth**, business is too unpredictable for the numbers always to be met.

**In truth**, the overtime rules are probably a better way to assist workers than by tweaking the minimum wage, now at \$7.25 an hour.

**In truth**, the social contract seems to accept that some limited forms of discrimination are acceptable and inevitable.



**In truth**, the EU 27 have little room for complacency.

**In truth**, we all want to be loved, respected, appreciated and acknowledged.

**In truth**, no American wants a bad relationship with Russia.

**In truth**, the two are not necessarily contradictory.

**Like it or not, ...**

**Like it or not**, Obama chose to take a longer-term view.

**Like it or not**, Britain's strengths are its open, flexible, mostly urban service economy and its mobile and international workforce.

**Like it or not**, it is what it is.

**Like it or not**, the Supreme Court has ruled that buying and owning a gun is a constitutional right.

**Like it or not**, some banks are too big to fail.

**Like it or not**, the Supreme Court has ruled that Americans have a Second Amendment right to buy and own guns, subject to reasonable regulation.

**Like it or not**, Washington probably will not change its game plan much during the crisis.

**Like it or not**, TV is part of our history.

**Like it or not**, the US still imports about a quarter of its oil, much of it from volatile nations that are hardly close allies like Canada.

**Like it or not**, prostitution is moving online.

**Like it or not**, TV is part of our history.

**Like it or not**, the Bank of England governor is in the thick of it.

**Like it or not**, the money men still rule.

**Like it or not**, US economic fortunes remain tied to Europe.

**Like it or not**, we are all in advertising now.

**Like it or not**, America's economy and energy security still depend on

petroleum, which powers 250 million vehicles on the nation's highways.

**More often than not, ...**

**More often than not**, we tend to stress over imagined threats, not real ones.

**More or less, ...**

**More or less**, this is the approach adopted by some European countries towards Russia.

**Most of all, ...**

**Most of all**, Brexit would necessitate a comprehensive reordering of Irish diplomatic and political priorities.

**Most of all**, the West needs an education system that works for everyone, of whatever social background and whatever age.

**Most of all**, the youngsters are encouraged to share their digital and physical Lego creations with their peers.

**Needless to say, ...**

**Needless to say**, he never talks about government's ability to deliver on his promises.

**Needless to say**, Amazon will be all too pleased to have you restock the LG fridge.

**Needless to say**, there is always room for improvement.

**Needless to say**, Flipkart and Ola still welcome foreign capital that goes into their own coffers.

**Needless to say**, the One China policy benefits the People's Republic of China because it virtually rules out the possibility of Taiwan independence.

**Needless to say**, a Nexit referendum on whether to leave the EU, would cause much greater upheaval.

**Needless to say**, there is still ample space for further cuts in the negative interest rate

**Needless to say**, further government meddling of this sort is unlikely to solve the coffee industry's problems.

**On average, ...**

**On average**, the New York Fed processes 2,000 such payments a day.

**On average**, the bank lent only three quarters of deposit in the last quarter.

**On average**, consumers will have 30 plans from which to choose and the average insurer has 10 plans for sale.

**On average**, marketplace plans have proved surprisingly cheap.

**On average**, Johannesburg drivers damage 81 robots a month.

**On average**, analysis suggests that products aimed at women are 37% more expensive than identical items marketed to men.

**On average**, Airbnb's rooms in the city are cheaper than hotels.

**On average**, the stock market's longer-term returns have been higher rather than lower.

**On average**, a bankruptcy takes 7.4 years.

**On average**, tech workers earned \$108,900 in 2016 – more than twice the national wage of \$53,040.

**On average**, women make up less than 3% of employees in each role.

**On average**, analysts think the 67 tech stocks will be worth 6.6% more in 18 months.

**On the contrary, ...**

**On the contrary**, it makes it easier to launder illegal goods.

**On the other hand, ...**

**On the other hand**, savers and retirees who depend on income from deposits will continue to see little return for the near future.

**On the other hand**, ExxonMobil has efficiently managed to preserve net income margins while other players have suffered losses.

**On the other hand,** particular industries and companies often have specific requirements that call for customized products.

**On the other hand,** BoJ officials are alarmed by the yen's rise from about yen120 to yen111 against the dollar this year.

**On the other hand,** none of its members has raised more than a voice against another for seven decades.

**On the other hand,** July 4th is our annual reminder that America is very good at constant revolution.

**On the other hand,** tax cuts and infrastructure spending look like an easy and unifying win for the new administration.

**On the other hand,** European and emerging markets have felt pretty nauseating.

**On the other hand,** they are less likely to support affirmative action for women.

**On the other hand,** the average American and Chinese are forecast to be 37 years old.

**On the other hand,** the government is saddled with debt.

**On the other hand,** immigration policy would surely change post-Brexit.

**On the other hand,** a democracy run by competent generals is not a democracy.

**On the other hand,** challenging the One China policy would give China a reason to resist US's military presence in the Asia Pacific.

**On the other hand,** too high a price erodes the welcome boost to purchasing power.

**On the other hand,** money leaving China means banks have less cash to lend out.

**On the other hand,** if people have no jobs and no opportunity, they are not going to worry about protection of the air and water if they cannot feed their kids.

### **On the surface, ...**

**On the surface**, the joint listing could not have come at a worse time.

**On the surface**, Sweden has one of the least troubled labor markets in the world.

**On the surface**, the Dakota access pipeline looks like any of the dozens of oil and gas projects approved in recent years.

**On the surface**, it appears more large businesses that need cash are turning to the corporate bond market.

### **On the whole,...**

**On the whole**, such efforts have been too little, too late.

**On the whole**, the records of the digital economy accrue mostly to the big platforms and media companies.

### **Over time, ...**

**Over time**, these could help countries make faster progress than now seems plausible.

### **Ready or not, ...**

**Ready or not**, the future is coming.

### **Simply put, ... Put simply, ...**

**Simply put**, the latest measure will only have a limited effect.

**Simply put**, Apple needs more eggs in its revenue basket.

**Simply put**, too many patients are priced out of the medicines they need.

**Simply put**, they want it more than everyone else.

**Simply put**, bitcoin is a machine for creating trust.

**Simply put**, there are about to be too many bonds in China, and that could ultimately harm the weakest part of the Chinese economy.

**Simply put**, we are beginning to be a normal business.

**Simply put**, a life insurance policy is a way to look out for loved ones in the event of your death.

**Simply put**, most firms – and especially SMEs (small and medium-size enterprises) – cannot borrow easily at the Treasury-bill rate.

**Simply put**, Deutsche Bank's basic problem is that it is hard to see where profits will come from.

**Put simply**, the minimum wage has boosted spending power.

**Put simply**, the more gas America guzzles, the more it is warming the climate.

**Put simply**, drones sound like fun gizmos until they are falling on our heads or spying on us.

**Put simply**, the system of paying for college is a mess.

**Put simply**, over many years, are you better off or worse off if we leave the EU?

**Put simply**, central and eastern Europe is running out of workers.

**Put simply**, money today can come from one of two sources: the firm's own cash or that of others.

**Put simply**, protectionism is inconsistent with "Make America Great Again".

**So far, ...**

**So far**, big drug makers have been slow to join the mobile-health revolution.

**So far**, 9,435 job cuts have been announced and 261 branches earmarked for closure.

**So far**, Mr. President, we are not tired of wining.

**So far**, neither Airbus nor Boeing sees COMAC as much of a threat to their sales outside China.

**So far**, the messages from the Trump camp are mixed.

**So far**, fast-food chains that depend on avocados have held on prices.

**So far**, the courts are standing strong.

**So far**, these efforts do not seem to be luring many new users.

**So far**, the government has ramped up spending.

**So far**, it is not clear if words will be matched with deeds.

**So far**, all the trainees have been given jobs as analysts at Point72 Asset Management.

**So far**, it appears that neither the best case nor worst case scenarios are occurring.

**So far**, her campaign has not provided many details on how all this would get paid for.

**So far**, consumers have been largely resistant to making their homes smart.

**So far**, the European Central Bank has promised to buy €80bn of mostly government bonds each month until March.

**So far**, the government has offered general statements about the need to curtail immigration.

**So far**, the effects of negative interest-rates on banks' already sagging profitability are hard to pinpoint.

**So far**, 432,000 borrowers have signed up to the scheme, nearly 30% of them have loan balances exceeding \$100,000.

**So far**, bond funds in that sector have received inflows of \$11.5 billion this year.

**So far**, Mr. Trump has declined to place his assets in blind trust.

**So far**, markets have primarily focused on the positives.

**So far**, this has not been a return to careful stock picking.

**So far**, the MBA program has attracted 4,400 applicants from 161 countries.

**So far**, the efforts seem to be working.

**So far**, the results of this two-tier system have been meager.

**So far**, the outlook appears pretty dire

**So far**, the bank has contacted 20,000 customers with questionable credit cards.

**So far**, there have not been any reports of this happening.

**So far**, the company is largely keeping pace with its climate-change agenda.

**So far**, about a dozen studies have concluded that repeated head trauma is a risk factor for Parkinson's disease.

**So far**, Gogo's stock has fallen 30% this year.

**So far**, the scheme is only experimental, in about 30 areas.

**So far**, nothing has really stopped Airbnb from continuing to show listings.

**So far**, all of the \$20 million routed to Sri Lanka has been returned to Bangladesh's central bank.

**So far**, the German chancellor has kept out of the debate and wants to stay out of it.

**So far**, Germany has been mostly immune to these trends.

**So far**, the picture is mixed.

**So far**, it has been worth it.

**So far**, we have not found anything that concerns us.

**So far**, GSK has not said how it will price the new medicine.

**So far**, IT has mainly replaced paper processes.

**So far**, the transport bureau has said the new rules are intended to target what is calls "urban disease".

**So far**, firms from elsewhere in Asia have been keenest.

**So far**, global investors have chosen to overlook this chronic deterioration,

**So far**, contingency plans have not been needed.

**So far**, Mr. Trump's pledge to get the economy moving has received a surprisingly positive response from Wall Street - the stock market has surged since his victory.



**So far**, Mr. Trump's actions are not exceptional by international standards.

**So far**, the company's political achievements have been more transparent than its commercial ones.

**So far**, more customers are selecting choices using the system without getting an agent involved.

**So far**, the bankruptcy investigations have not been able to find out how the wine sellers and their partners spent or lost the money.

**So far**, yields on long-term Treasury bonds remain stubbornly low.

**So far**, more than \$15 million, or half the \$30 million goal for the year, has been raised.

**So far**, only lower-level employees have been punished for the alleged account-opening fraud.

**So far**, US regulators have banned operation of any commercial drones from flying over large numbers of people.

**So far**, things are flowing smoothly as expected.

**So far**, both shippers are getting most deliveries to recipients' home on schedule.

**So far**, the government has revealed no plans for the disputed islands.

**So far**, his timing has proved correct.

**So far**, the spending is relatively small.

**So far**, his actions speak louder than his words.

**So far**, the problem is not with customers defaulting on leases.

**So far**, Citigroup's managers have focused on modest projects.

**So far**, the issue has largely been ignored by authorities and law enforcement agencies.

**So far**, those leaked Panama Papers have left little mark in Russia.

**So far**, the new boss has won accolades for making decisive moves.

**So far**, a large chunk of the finance jobs has been linked to helping process transactions.

**So far**, some of the UK government's efforts to please Mr. Trump's team have been uncomfortable.

**So far**, each citizen has only a few hundred dollars.

**So far**, their ambition has fallen pitifully short.

**So far**, only a very few patents have been issued.

**So far**, Brexit has not dented consumers' confidence about the outlook for jobs, particularly among younger workers.

**So far**, investors are balking at the price.

**So far**, fintech startups that use technology to compete with rich-world banks have not won much market share.

**So far**, Germany's influx of foreigners has not led to an uptick in crime.

**So far**, the authorities have allowed the yuan to partly track the falls in the euro and sterling.

**So far**, the Brexit camp must be pretty pleased with how things are going.

### **Sooner or later, ...**

**Sooner or later**, the money markets affect every business.

**Sooner or later**, Chinese banks will need to take big losses, and the government will have to help repair the damage.

**Sooner or later**, these reforms will have to be taken up again.

**Sooner or later**, a tight labor market can become a restraint on how much the economy can expand.

**Sooner or later**, without market reform they will run out of ammunition.

**Sooner or later**, we will all have our private information exposed.

**Sooner or later**, our party will lose its qualifications to govern and will be consigned to history.

**Sooner or later**, some future US president is bound to confront a richer, stronger, more influential Iran, one with nuclear weapons still within its reach.

**Sooner or later**, big changes to the Vietnam Social Security Fund seem inevitable.

**Sooner or later**, power would have to be handed to the next generation.

**Sooner or later**, the junta will face resistance from an electorate with vigorously democratic elements.

**Sooner or later**, China's banks will need to take big losses, and the government will have to help to repair the damage.

**Sooner or later**, China will have to reduce this pile of debt.

**Sooner or later**, these developments would lead to exit from the euro.

**Sooner or later**, there will be a heavy price for investors to pay for current market distortions.

**Sooner or later**, Theresa May will need to confront those advocating the hardest of "hard" Brexit.

**Sooner or later**, the euro will be beyond saving.

**Sooner or later**, Beijing will have to recognize that a stock market is not a symbol of national economic virility but a place where buyers and sellers meet.

**Sooner or later**, it has to be paid back and Brexit means it will be sooner.

**Sooner or later**, airline traffic will be on the rise again.

**Sooner or later**, all that shoving will have to yield to a delicate balance.

**Sooner or later**, China will have to confront the excesses of its post-crisis stimulus.

### **Take it or leave it, ...**

**Take it or leave it**, China's richest man has essentially told shareholders of the country's biggest mall developer.

### **To be fair, ...**

**To be fair**, Mr. Modi's government cannot solve all these problems on its own.

**To be fair**, the Pearl River delta already has better infrastructure than most developing countries.

**To be fair**, some consumers may be making near-minimum payments because they are struggling with financial difficulties and cannot afford to pay more.

**To be fair**, some people say the downgrades make perfect sense.

**To be fair**, her objective is to avoid Europe swallowing her premiership.

**To be fair**, Brexit may have contributed something to the latest fall in German bond yields.

**To be fair**, the companies do have a strong business case for merging.

**To be sure, ...**

**To be sure**, no one can accuse governments of dithering.

**To be sure**, exceeding expectations has not happened with great frequency.

**To be sure**, Trump's real estate holdings are complicated to unwind.

**To be sure**, the SEC is not technically required to follow the president's orders.

**To be sure**, that gun has seldom been fired at journalists, and never successfully.

**To be sure**, a gang of newcomers have muscled their way into their domains.

**To be sure**, others warn of dangers ahead.

**To be sure**, there are a few positive indicators.

**To be sure**, as transgender Americans become more visible, new puzzles emerge.

**To be sure**, the study looks only at for-sale housing.

**To be sure**, the market is less expensive than during the peak of the dot-com-stock boom in March 2000.

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**To be sure**, this is a significant threat that must be addressed.

**To be sure**, stock prices are affected by many factors besides share repurchase programs.

**To be sure**, the US economy has not entered a recession.

**To be sure**, no one expects coal to go away immediately.

**To be sure**, each side would also lose something.

**To be sure**, bonds backed by online loans account for a fraction of the securitization market.

**To be sure**, Exxon remains financially resilient, with little to no risk of significant financial challenges.

**To be sure**, Chrysler was in more distress than **either GM or Ford** when it emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 2011.

**To be sure**, Obama's quest to reform the immigration system is a worthy cause.

**To be sure**, other indicators show an economy still growing at a modest pace.

**To be sure**, plenty of work lies ahead.

**To be sure**, not all investors were so quick to buy stocks.

**To be sure**, some mortgage loans may require much lower down payments than 20%.

**To be sure**, investors have to make big decisions.

**To be sure**, automakers spent plenty of time showing off glitzy new models.

**To be sure**, Tim Cook has been positioning Apple as a defender of personal privacy for some time now, at the expense of several of his key rivals.

**To be sure**, students at top US schools are in high demand among tech employers.

**To be sure**, polls measure feelings, not hard market data.

**To be sure**, the pact is imperfect.

**To be sure**, lying with statistics is a time-honored tradition.

**To be sure**, the lack of large industry players has left room for plenty of snake-oil salesmen and publicity-seeker.

**To be sure**, markets' recent volatility provides opportunity for many banks.

**To be sure**, production in America is falling, thanks chiefly to cutbacks by struggling shale-oil producers.

**To be sure**, you will not be the first to make this bet.

**To be sure**, pharma companies donate to political campaigns and employ lobbyists for a range of legislative issues.

**To be sure**, this is not a phenomenon exclusive to the eurozone.

### **What is more, ...**

**What is more**, AT&T also pays the richest dividend in the US telecom sector, at 5%.

**What is more**, pension funds and insurance companies will continue to be ready bond buyers as they seek to meet regulatory requirements.

**What is more**, suppliers of credit should remain comfortable for the foreseeable future.

**What is more**, it may turn out to be too small for index funds.

**What is more**, the strong housing market and wage increases are encouraging many buyers to take the plunge.

**What is more**, the gap between London and other UK cities has got bigger over the last decade.

**What is more**, the slowdown in real earnings growth may also act as a gentle brake on prices.

**What is more**, community workers say that they claim even less from the state than they are entitled to.

**What is more**, the countries whose trade balances have adjusted the most, Brazil and Indonesia, are among the best recent performers.

**What is more**, the program entitles each successful plaintiff to at least \$100 in damages, plus fees to lawyers and so on.

**What is more,** there are 500 chips in some of the cards that are on the street today.

**What is more,** fintech firms have provoked a competitive response.

**What is more,** there is strong evidence that technology is the main reason for the decline in manufacturing employment.

**What is more,** shaping the global oil market may become less of a priority.

**What is more,** Credit Suisse does not think restrictions on foreign buyers will be fully eased until the end of 2016 at the earliest.

**What is more,** many coal companies are facing pressure from regulations over funds for mine restoration.

**What is more,** many of the key measures of the US economy are still strong.

**What is more,** countries with extremely low rates have also seen ebbing productivity growth.

**What is more,** the economy suffers from supply-side deficiencies.

**What is more,** the Chinese people are nationalistic.

**What is more,** the euro zone economy is gradually recovering.

**What is more,** the economy is improving despite the fact that many Main Street investors believe a recession is around the corner.

**What is more,** the prospect of having to fly for business is getting more daunting.

**What is more,** there does not appear to be anything approaching a consensus in the Fed for a “high pressure” strategy.

**What is more,** other banks are not the only entities competing for savings.

**What is more,** the service, same as peanuts and a soda, will be free.

**What is more,** big stocks are outperforming small stocks by the widest margin in a long time.

**What is more,** American politics is more polarized than it has been in generations, with both parties retreating to their ideological corners.

**What is more**, new operating systems require makers of apps to rewrite their programs.

**What is more**, bank executives are often paid on the basis of badly designed profit measures, such as return on equity.

**What is more**, more Americans seem to be backing up their words with action.

**What is more**, because exports make up an unusually small share of the economy, the gain from a devaluation would be limited.

**What is more**, with interest rates in many economies near zero, central bankers find themselves increasingly reliant on unconventional tools.

**What is more**, the resolution of the federal criminal investigation will help GM CEO Mary Barra focus more of her company's energy on innovative products.

**What is more**, we expect inflation to pick up further next year.

**What is more**, Britain is a country that delights in having its back to the wall.

**What is more**, Indians are brand-conscious and the types of drinks they know are mostly European.

**What is more**, a minimum wage is not free.

**What is more**, firms have been unable to sell assets pledged as collateral, making it harder to raise money.

**What is worse**, the problems seem to be continuing.

**What is more**, the poor did end up losing a bigger share of their income to the tax than the rich.

**What is more**, with growth in China stalling, projections call for another decline of 2% in 2016.

**What is more**, the designers are getting better at their jobs.

**What is more**, some of the smartest and wealthiest individuals on earth are on the hunt.

**What is more**, new vehicles are becoming less affordable for debt-strapped college students and recent grads.



**What is more,** Warren Buffett has admitted his mistake in picking a very large stake at the wrong time, and it ended up costing him millions.

**What is more,** many smokers simply do not like e-cigarettes.

**What is more,** much of the destruction is not covered by flood insurance.

**What is more,** it is a sign that stock investors see better days ahead.

**What is more,** Bank of America's management has been avidly cutting costs to boost profits.

**What is more,** oppressing youngster is dangerous.

**What is more,** the finance ministry has promised to make transfer payments that will ensure that local governments lose no money from the new VAT tax.

**What is more,** the countries whose trade balances have adjusted the most, Brazil and Indonesia, are among the best recent performers.

**What is more,** addicts of some new varieties of opioids do not respond to the treatment.

**What is more,** given the size of Deutsche Bank, there is little doubt that authorities would take the necessary steps to keep the bank operating and avoid a failure.

**What is more,** Shell keeps telling us it is committed to its current dividend for the next two years.

**What is more,** the Fed is unlikely to bump up rates at a meeting in which Chair Janet Yellen can explain the move.

**What is more,** most consumers continue to spend on their cards, making it even more difficult to figure out how much they should repay.

**What is more,** as schemes mature, they will increasingly become net sellers of assets.

**What is more,** you can check your credit score at a glance, no third-party service required.

**What is more,** back-office issues have proven to be big problems at Delta Air Lines and other carriers.

**What is more,** US mutual funds hold about \$8.38 billion in Puerto Rico debt.

**What is more,** memories of crises past have prompted Asian governments to build up their foreign-exchange reserves.

**What is more,** it has never been cheaper to borrow.

**What is more,** the places that have seen the greatest surges in migration have become poorer.

### **Whatever happens next, ...**

**Whatever happens next,** Britain will need policies that share globalization's gains and pains fairly.

### **Whatever the reason, ...**

**Whatever the reason,** their behavior has changed.

**Whatever the reason,** she has been fighting the fight for several years.

**Whatever the reason,** the sheer size of this generation means that these behavioral changes may endure for those that follow.

**Whatever the reason,** she has been fighting the fight for several years.

**Whatever the reason,** it is clear that the 2% target is not within reach.

**Whatever the reason,** Trump seems destined to learn that one speech in the heart of the Muslim world is hardly enough to alter ancient enmities.

**Whatever the reason,** the stronger economic growth means juicier tax revenues.

### **Win or lose, ...**

**Win or lose,** the athletes face a new challenge: managing their money.

**Win or lose,** the standoff he had engineered will diminish the credibility of the government.

**Win or lose,** GOP needs to unify and change.

**Win or lose,** the obligation to protect American constitutional democracy rests on both candidates.

**Win or lose**, we will have to deal with that after the election.

**Win or lose**, GOP nominee has dragged us all down into the muck with him.

**Win or lose**, the party is chained to Angela Merkel.

**With luck, ...**

**With luck**, Europe can muster a little more ambition.

**With luck**, the industry has reformed and such scandals are things of the past.

**With luck**, China and America will catch their colds at different times.

**Worst of all, ...**

**Worst of all**, Mrs. Clinton sometimes ignores her own diagnosis.

## Part 2. Verb + Gerund

**to abandon + V~ing**

Almost one in four of bar-goers admitted they had considered **abandoning buying** drinks because of queues.

to abandon + V~ing (*buying*)

### **to admit + V~ing**

One in 12 drivers **admitted driving** drunk at least once over the course of a year.

to admit + V~ing (*driving*)

Japan's sixth-largest carmaker has lost half its market value since it **admitted** last week to **manipulating** test data for four domestic mini-vehicle models

to admit + V~ing (*manipulating*)

The misconduct has revived memories of a scandal more than 15 years ago in which Mitsubishi Motors **admitted covering** up customer complaints for more than two decades.

to admit + V~ing (*covering*)

The Japanese carmaker Mitsubishi Motors has **admitted using** fuel-economy testing methods that did not comply with Japanese regulations for 25 years.

to admit + V~ing (*using*)

Mitsubishi Motors has **admitted manipulating** test data to overstate the fuel efficiency of 625,000 cars.

to admit + V~ing (*manipulating*)

The British Prime Minister **admitted benefiting** from his father's offshore trust

to admit + V~ing (*benefiting*)

In 2000, Mitsubishi Motors executives **admitted covering** up vehicle defects for decades, tarnishing its reputation for safety.

to admit + V~ing (*covering*)

Clinton's campaign **admitted making** mistakes in its handling of the health information.

to admit + V~ing (*making*)

### **to acknowledge + V~ing**

After the New York Times uncovered the loans, Ted Cruz **acknowledged failing** to report those loans.

to acknowledge + V~ing (*failing*)

Millennials **acknowledged typing** or **sending** a text or email while driving.

to acknowledge + V~ing (*typing, sending*)

### **to advise + V~ing**

A number of advisory groups have **advised voting** against the pay report.

to advise + V~ing (*voting*)

### **to advocate + V~ing**

The ministry **advocates helping** exporters hit by slowing global demand.  
to advocate + V~ing (*helping*)

The free-market thinker Paul Atkins emphasized protecting small investors and **advocated leaving** sophisticated ones alone.  
to advocate + V~ing (*leaving*)

The lawmaker has long **advocated leaving** the EU and will be in charge of implementing the exit.  
to advocate + V~ing (*leaving*)

Leave campaigners such as Michael Gove have **advocated exiting** the single market and negotiating a bespoke trade deal.  
to advocate + V~ing (*exiting*)

Those who **advocate leaving** make much of the chance to trade more easily with the rest of the world.  
to advocate + V~ing (*leaving*)

### **to anticipate + V~ing**

People were laid off or are **anticipating being** laid off.  
to anticipate + V~ing (*being*)

More chief executives **anticipate decreasing** hiring rather than increasing it as costs rise.  
to anticipate + V~ing (*decreasing*)

Boeing Co. **anticipates returning** an additional \$10.5 billion over the next two years or so.  
to anticipate + V~ing (*returning*)

Boeing said it does not **anticipate reducing** the number of direct Boeing employees at the South Carolina plant.  
to anticipate + V~ing (*reducing*)

### **to appreciate + V~ing**

They are the sandwiched generation and are time-pressed, and **appreciate being** able to get salient information quickly.  
to appreciate + V~ing (*being*)

However worrisome those hits may be for banks, investors will **appreciate getting** some clarity after a months-long legislative guessing game.  
to appreciate + V~ing (*getting*)

### **to avoid + V~ing**

Voluntary payments will mean UK manufacturing giant **avoids being** prosecuted by anti-corruption investigators  
to avoid + V~ing (*being*)

The US Travel Association says that the frustrations of flying have caused some people to **avoid traveling** by air.  
to avoid + V~ing (*traveling*)

There are plenty of opportunities to **avoid hitting** a wall.  
to avoid + V~ing (*hitting*)

Chinese media have largely **avoided reporting** on the leaks of Panama Papers.  
to avoid + V~ing (*reporting*)

Many fintech firms tend to structure their operations to **avoid holding** risky assets for any length of time.  
to avoid + V~ing (*holding*)

Now governments need to take quick action to **avoid becoming** liable for these exposures.  
to avoid + V~ing (*becoming*)

Wars are won or lost by what a country does, not what it **avoids doing**.  
to avoid + V~ing (*doing*)

It is also a sign of the growing desire of tech start-ups to **avoid going** public by relying on private placements from well-capitalized insiders.  
to avoid + V~ing (*going*)

This is an easy way to **avoid making** a hard decision on prices.  
to avoid + V~ing (*making*)

As a general rule, banks should **avoid using** stock buybacks to create shareholder value.  
to avoid + V~ing (*using*)

Coke management knows it has to get moving to **avoid becoming** an acquisition target.  
to avoid + V~ing (*becoming*)

Errant bankers will no longer be able to **avoid having** their bonuses clawed back by moving jobs.

to avoid + V~ing (*having*)

CEOs usually **avoid picking** fights with incoming presidents.

to avoid + V~ing (*picking*)

Knowing the tactics they use can help you **avoid being** scammed.

to avoid + V~ing (*being*)

Some of China's trade partners will have to devalue their own currencies to **avoid losing** a competitive commercial advantage.

to avoid + V~ing (*losing*)

Some casinos assiduously **avoid using** the number four, which sounds like the Chinese word for death.

to avoid + V~ing (*using*)

A lawmaker from her party said officials in Taiwan had **avoided playing** up the phone call with Mr. Trump so as not to antagonize Beijing.

to avoid + V~ing (*playing*)

Put simply, a bank may have a large derivatives position but **avoid posting** cash upfront with its trading partner as others do.

to avoid + V~ing (*posting*)

Countries usually compromise to **avoid triggering** an escalating trade war.

to avoid + V~ing (*triggering*)

To **avoid contaminating** the sea floor, most dispersants are used only in deep water.

to avoid + V~ing (*contaminating*)

The best way to **avoid having** to save Spain is by saving Greece.

to avoid + V~ing (*having*)

Can Indian software companies **avoid being infected** by Europe's economic woes?

to avoid + V~ing (*being*)

In addressing these two intertwined crises, we must **avoid ameliorating** one problem while worsening the other.

to avoid + V~ing (*ameliorating*)

### **to bear + V~ing**

It always **bears reminding** just how far China has come diplomatically, and how fast.

to bear + V~ing (*reminding*)

Mr. Trump's view of women's place does not **bear thinking** about – and should not be voted for.

to bear + V~ing (*thinking*)

A repetition of last year's tragedies does not **bear thinking** about.

to bear + V~ing (*thinking*)

She just could not **bear seeing** the worry on her parents' faces.

to bear + V~ing (*seeing*)

### **to beat + V~ing**

For boosting earnings, nothing **beats being** a straight, white, married man.

to beat + V~ing (*being*)

Analyzing big data is all very well; but nothing **beats hanging** out with your biggest fans.

to beat + V~ing (*hanging*)

### **to bother + V~ing**

Customers should not **bother trying** to figure out which people in which lanes will be slow at checkout.

to bother + V~ing (*trying*)

### **to cease + V~ing**

Banks have collectively **ceased working** with hundreds of thousands of individual or company accounts.

to cease + V~ing (*working*)

Malaysia will **cease hosting** the sport once its contract ends in 2018.

to cease + V~ing (*hosting*)

If he starts getting to be normal, he will **cease being** Donald Trump.

to cease + V~ing (*being*)

Health insurer Aetna said it would **cease offering** health care insurance options in 2017.

to cease + V~ing (*offering*)



As a result, we have made the difficult decision to **cease trading** the business.  
to cease + V~ing (*trading*)

### **to come + V~ing**

At least the Camorra does not **come asking** for money in bars any more.  
to come + V~ing (*asking*)

### **to consider + V~ing**

BMW yesterday became the first European carmaker publicly to **consider tapping** Germany's government-backed banking rescue scheme.  
to consider + V~ing (*tapping*)

Japan's ailing Emperor **considers stepping** down.  
to consider + V~ing (*stepping*)

Those with high levels of foreign debt but with reserves should also **consider buying** back their sovereign debt in the international capital market.  
to consider + V~ing (*buying*)

Soft drink makers are **considering taking** legal action against the government over its controversial sugar tax.  
to consider + V~ing (*taking*)

Only a certain type of investor should **consider buying** Bank of America's stock.  
to consider + V~ing (*buying*)

Governments should **consider scrapping** high denomination banknotes to combat financial crime and tax evasion.  
to consider + V~ing (*scrapping*)

Hawaiian Airlines **considers adding** Asian destinations in 2011.  
to consider + V~ing (*adding*)

It is ridiculous to not **consider involving** half of the world's population.  
to consider + V~ing (*involving*)

In the US, inflation would force the Fed to **consider raising** interest rates.  
to consider + V~ing (*raising*)

A number of multinationals may **consider diversifying** future investments to other parts of the world.  
to consider + V~ing (*diversifying*)

The Greek government is **considering selling** islands and other luxury properties to erase some of its debt.  
to consider + V~ing (*selling*)

Singapore is now **considering removing** estate duties to match a similar move by Hong Kong.  
to consider + V~ing (*removing*)

The US has introduced a series of rule changes in recent months to encourage US companies to **consider investing** in Cuba.  
to consider + V~ing (*investing*)

The SEC could **consider expanding** disclosure requirements beyond periodic reporting.  
to consider + V~ing (*expanding*)

Despite the success of our actions, however, the European Central Bank has refused to **consider doing** the same.  
to consider + V~ing (*doing*)

Other banks are **considering following** suit, according to individuals familiar with the discussions.  
to consider + V~ing (*following*)

The US economy is in no shape to even **consider raising** rates.  
to consider + V~ing (*raising*)

Under this new trend, it may be time for investors to **consider adjusting** their strategy.  
to consider + V~ing (*adjusting*)

### **to contemplate + V~ing**

At one point, Carlyle executives **contemplated recruiting** a high-profile chief executive to helm the firm after the IPO.  
to contemplate + V~ing (*recruiting*)

It is very difficult to **contemplate losing** the steel plant.  
to contemplate + V~ing (*losing*)

Reports had hinted that Intel was **contemplating thinning** its ranks.  
to contemplate + V~ing (*thinning*)

The prime minister opposed Britain joining the euro and would never **contemplate giving** up the pound.

to contemplate + V~ing (*giving*)

Meanwhile, the FHA (Federal Housing Administration) is **contemplating increasing** its required minimum down payment from 3.5% to 5% over time.  
to contemplate + V~ing (*increasing*)

Greater affluence has made it easier for people to **contemplate living** alone.  
to contemplate + V~ing (*living*)

### **to delay + V~ing**

The US central bank will **delay raising** interest rates next week amid concerns over the state of the global economy.  
to delay + V~ing (*raising*)

We no longer need to **delay converting** our dollar profits into renminbi.  
to delay + V~ing (*converting*)

The US Federal Reserve **delayed raising** interest rates again last month.  
to delay + V~ing (*raising*)

The BoE's Financial Policy Committee decided to **delay announcing** its own decision on the leverage ratio until Thursday.  
to delay + V~ing (*announcing*)

The outsourcing company blamed Brexit jitters as customers **delayed making** big investment decisions following the referendum.  
to delay + V~ing (*making*)

### **to deny + V~ing**

German officials **deny sparking** the past month's investor panic.  
to deny + V~ing (*sparking*)

Melania Trump **denies working** unlawfully as a model in the US.  
to deny + V~ing (*working*)

Apple **denies breaking** any laws.  
to deny + V~ing (*breaking*)

An Italian fertility doctor **denies taking** egg without consent of his patient.  
to deny + V~ing (*taking*)

Russia has **denied interfering** in the 2016 US presidential election.  
to deny + V~ing (*interfering*)

The trader **denied knowing** about the practices and prosecutors have never accused him of involvement in, or knowledge of, the plot.

to deny + V~ing (*knowing*)

Many exiled writers in China **deny having** anything to do with the letter's publication.

to deny + V~ing (*having*)

The prime minister **denied taking** money for personal gains.

to deny + V~ing (*taking*)

Mossack Fonseca has **denied doing** anything illegal.

to deny + V~ing (*doing*)

The president's son Tommy Suharto **denied receiving** the money for a blue Rolls-Royce car.

to deny + V~ing (*receiving*)

PetroSaudi has **denied doing** anything wrong.

to deny + V~ing (*doing*)

Other banks **denied using** the same kind of transaction.

to deny + V~ing (*using*)

The prime minister **denies ever having** taken public money for personal gain.

to deny + V~ing (*having*)

The opposition party figure has **denied accepting** \$5 million in bribes linked to the construction of two Petrobras oil-drilling ships.

to deny + V~ing (*accepting*)

They **denied sending** tax messages or making calls to Uber drivers.

to deny + V~ing (*sending*)

### **to discuss + V~ing**

Private equity firms have **discussed buying** Anglo Irish's US loans.

to discuss + V~ing (*buying*)

The officials also **discussed strengthening** economic ties as Iraq prepares for the end of the campaign against Islamic State and the US.

to discuss + V~ing (*strengthening*)

US officials have also **discussed implementing** new tariffs and other policies that other countries say might violate WTO agreements.

to discuss + V~ing (implementing)

G-Resources Group has **discussed expanding** its financial-services division since late 2014.

to discuss + V~ing (*expanding*)

Chinese authorities are **discussing reducing** the required coverage for bad loans so that banks can keep booking profits and lending.

to discuss + V~ing (*reducing*)

UK **discusses paying** billions to retain single-market access for the City of London.

to discuss + V~ing (*paying*)

The mayor says he has met with the Trump Administration and **discussed addressing** Chicago's railroad issues in any potential infrastructure package.

to discuss + V~ing (*addressing*)

Washington is also **discussing positioning** military equipment for the first time in 40 years in Vietnam.

to discuss + V~ing (*positioning*)

The UN Security Council met behind closed door on Tuesday to **discuss tightening** sanctions on North Korea.

to discuss + v~ing (*tightening*)

### **to dislike + V~ing**

While Americans, like dominant groups everywhere, **dislike** constantly **being** told that they are privileged.

to dislike + V~ing (*being*)

Western policymakers **dislike tinkering** with their inflation targets.

to dislike + V~ing (*tinkering*)

Governments tend to **dislike being** called torturers.

to dislike + V~ing (*being*)

### **to emphasize + V~ing**

The free-market thinker Paul Atkins **emphasized protecting** small investors and advocated leaving sophisticated ones alone.

to emphasize + V~ing (*protecting*)

### **to enjoy + V~ing**

Lady Green says she **enjoys looking** after the family.

to enjoy + V~ing (*looking*)

Eccentric souls have long **enjoyed exploring** miserable bits of the continent.

to enjoy + V~ing (*exploring*)

The president **enjoys hurling** curve balls and wrenches.

to enjoy + V~ing (*hurling*)

### **to entail + V~ing**

The single market **entails giving** up legislative autonomy.

to entail + V~ing (*giving*)

### **to envisage + V~ing**

The proposal still **envisages restricting** drone flights within sight of a single operator on the ground.

to envisage + V~ing (*restricting*)

### **to envision + V~ing**

The ban **envisions restricting** travel from a handful of mostly Muslim countries that the US has identified as specific terrorism risks.

to envision + V~ing (*restricting*)

### **to escape + V~ing**

We need to close the loopholes that let corporations **escape paying** their taxes.

to escape + V~ing (*paying*)

That model would allow both sides to **escape being** dragged into unprincipled bargaining.

to escape + V~ing (*being*)

This portfolio has **escaped being** classified as systemically important by national regulators.

to escape + V~ing (*being*)

### **to favor + V~ing**

Some members of the governing council **favor taking** more action to stimulate the economy immediately.

to favor + V~ing (*taking*)

Rentokil Initial **favours buying** family businesses in cities to take market share and extracts synergies.  
to favor + V~ing (*buying*)

Most economists **favor moving** away from taxing capital and towards taxing consumption through value-added or sales taxes.  
to favor + V~ing (*moving*)

In July Ms. Tsai proposed replacing the clause with language that **favours maintaining** the status quo.  
to favor + V~ing (*maintaining*)

There is no dispute that several people involved in the Trump campaign have **favoured opening** more formal channels between the US and Taiwan as a way to put pressure on China.  
to favor + V~ing (*opening*)

Nearly three-quarters of the food and drink industry **favor remaining** in the EU.  
to favor + V~ing (*remaining*)

Nationalists politicians in Europe have **favor protecting** domestic manufacturing jobs by imposing barriers on imported goods.  
to favor + V~ing (*protecting*)

In 11 out of the 15 countries we surveyed, most people **favoured extending** doctor-assisted drying to patients who are in great physical suffering but not close to death.  
to favor + V~ing (*extending*)

The survey shows that 72% of Americans **favor lifting** the embargo.  
to favor + V~ing (*lifting*)

They **favor imposing** heavy tariffs on China to level the playing field.  
to favor + V~ing (*imposing*)

### **to fear + V~ing**

They **fear being** viewed as gold-diggers or spoiling the ardor.  
to fear + V~ing (*being*)

Governments often **fear angering** politically powerful religious groups.  
to fear + V~ing (*angering*)

Locals **fear being** priced out of their own housing market by their newly rich

mainland cousins.  
to fear + V~ing (*being*)

They **fear missing** out if Tesco ends up having to write a check.  
to fear + V~ing (*missing*)

Some **fear being** used as a bargaining chip in negotiations with China.  
to fear + V~ing (*being*)

Many refugees and German Muslims **fear being** tarred with the same brush as the offenders.  
to fear + V~ing (*being*)

People protest because they want things rapidly, and **fear missing** a golden opportunity.  
to fear + V~ing (*missing*)

When the internet went mainstream in the mid-1990s, online firms **fear being** held liable if their services were used in illegal ways.  
to fear + V~ing (*being*)

After losing insurance coverage, patients **feared having** to go through savings to afford treatment.  
to fear + V~ing (*having*)

### **to go + V~ing**

If it **goes hunting** for a new acquisition, its options are far more limited now than they were just last week.  
to go + V~ing (*hunting*)

In America today, speech is everywhere, it is the listening that has **gone missing**.  
to go + V~ing (*missing*)

People **go missing** in every country.  
to go + V~ing (*missing*)

Some investigators have said that they believe \$6 billion has **gone missing**.  
to go + V~ing (*missing*)

Have you ever **gone shopping** and forgot where you parked your car? It has happened to all of us.  
to go + V~ing (*shopping*)



San Francisco police are searching for a relic believed to trace back to 325 AD that **went missing** from a Catholic church on Thursday.  
to go + V~ing (*missing*)

Both Halliburton and an enriched Baker Hughes may **go shopping** for equipment companies or even offshore drillers.  
to go + V~ing (*shopping*)

The possibility now is that Pfizer **goes shopping** again.  
to go + V~ing (*shopping*)

### **to hate + V~ing**

Platforms cost money, and millennials are said to **hate paying** for stuff.  
to hate + V~ing (*paying*)

### **to imagine + V~ing**

The Facebook founder cannot **imagine accomplishing** his mission of connecting the world without incorporating China.  
to imagine + V~ing (*accomplishing*)

The women feel traumatized, and the majority of guys cannot even **imagine behaving** that way.  
to imagine + V~ing (*behaving*)

It is harder to **imagine** all parties **agreeing** on the appropriate size of government.  
to imagine + V~ing (*agreeing*)

People cannot **imagine going** back to their old homes.  
to imagine + V~ing (*going*)

It is hard to **imagine getting** either measure through a gridlocked Congress.  
to imagine + V~ing (*getting*)

Can you **imagine being** able to visit these 51 unique places in the world in one's lifespan?  
to imagine + V~ing (*being*)

We cannot **imagine** the UK government not **respecting** the choice of the British people.  
to imagine + V~ing (*respecting*)

It is easy to **imagine** Manchester, another pro-European commercial city with a big student population, **seeking** a special deal with the EU.

to imagine + V~ing (*seeking*)

It is harder to **imagine** all parties **agreeing** on the appropriate size of government.

to imagine + V~ing (*agreeing*)

It is hard to **imagine** Vitol itself **moving** too far from its core competences.

to imagine + V~ing (*moving*)

### **to include + V~ing**

These recommendations **include linking** long-term care insurance to retirement benefits.

to include + V~ing (*linking*)

These services **include distributing** and **collecting** cash, processing checks and clearing international payments.

to include + V~ing (*distributing, collecting*)

Other measures **include forcing** the banks to cap unarranged overdraft fees.

to include + V~ing (*forcing*)

Part of the puzzle will **include figuring** out whether older people should be screened for signs of the disease.

to include + V~ing (*figuring*)

The quantitative easing (QE) program will now **include buying** bonds issued by companies and not just by financial institutions.

to include + V~ing (*buying*)

Any plan should **include funding** to help local governments offer sufficient early voting locations.

to include + V~ing (*funding*)

### **to insist + V~ing**

Theresa May **insists retaining** control of migration and **refusing** to abide by European court decisions.

to insist + V~ing (*retaining, refusing*)

### **to involve + V~ing**

The best ways **involve bumping** up the retirement age for able-bodied workers to reflect longer lifespans.

to involve + V~ing (*bumping*)

It will also **involve making** some huge decisions.  
to involve + V~ing (*making*)

That will **involve striking** a deal with the EU.  
to involve + V~ing (*striking*)

These transactions **involve transferring** US dollars out of the onshore market.  
to involve + V~ing (*transferring*)

The plan **involves creating** hundreds of thousands of new technology and engineering jobs for Saudi nationals.  
to involve + V~ing (*creating*)

Sometimes elections precisely **involve picking** lesser evils.  
to involve + V~ing (*picking*)

It **involves asking** difficult, complex and uncomfortable questions about what and whom we value.  
to involve + V~ing (*asking*)

Their approach **involves making** a digital copy of the phone's chips.  
to involve + V~ing (*making*)

One of the methods **involves creating** a digital copy of the phone's chips.  
to involve + V~ing (*creating*)

The comprehensive and logical way to do this first **involves drawing** up a budget that tracks your spending patterns over the course of the past year.  
to involve + V~ing (*drawing*)

Sharing risk also **involves sharing** the rewards.  
to involve + V~ing (*sharing*)

The plans **involve letting** individuals and firms open accounts at the central bank.  
to involve + V~ing (*letting*)

This proposal would also **involve setting** up connections for regional airports.  
to involve + V~ing (*setting*)

Those efforts would not **involve setting** a dollar amount but might try to alter certain incentives that companies use to set compensation.  
to involve + V~ing (*setting*)

For car insurance, that **involves working** out which are least likely to have an

accident.

to involve + V~ing (*working*)

These often **involve slicing** the tops off mountains or drying up lakes.

to involve + V~ing (*slicing*)

China's strategy **involves solving** China's problems – not the world's.

to involve + V~ing (*solving*)

There are drawbacks to transparency, especially if it **involved publishing** individual wages.

to involve + V~ing (*publishing*)

That would **involve decontrolling** interest rates and halting directed lending to heavily indebted state-owned enterprises and local governments.

to involve + V~ing (*decontrolling*)

### **to justify + V~ing**

Governments will find it much harder to **justify squeezing** their hard-pressed citizens to pay foreign creditors.

to justify + V~ing (*squeezing*)

The ride-sharing market is one the few markets where the upside is big enough to **justify going** in.

to justify + V~ing (*going*)

Whether the gains will be large enough to **justify tolerating** the more damaging parts of Mr. Trump's economic agenda is another matter.

to justify + V~ing (*tolerating*)

Even if you're a conservative who really dislikes the Democratic candidate, how can you **justify choosing** Donald Trump?

to justify + V~ing (*choosing*)

Fed officials question whether the economy can expand fast enough to **justify lifting** them much beyond that.

to justify + V~ing (*lifting*)

John Lewis pointed to the challenging market outlook and the importance of investment for the future to **justify paying** a bonus that is likely to be significantly lower than last year.

to justify + V~ing (*paying*)

None of this **justifies outbidding** Marriott, which has more experience and can reap more savings from Starwood.

to justify + V~ing (*outbidding*)

Some people **justify spending** more because they want the status of having an Apple product and the Apple experience.

to justify + V~ing (*spending*)

This, as Mr. Yellen often acknowledges, **justifies keeping** rates lower than they otherwise would be.

to justify + V~ing (*keeping*)

It is therefore difficult to **justify raising** the legal age for cigarettes to match alcohol, while leaving marijuana alone.

to justify + V~ing (*raising*)

To **justify putting** everyone's tax information in the public domain, the case must be made that it is the best way to achieve a greater good.

to justify + V~ing (*putting*)

Companies risk their reputations if they **justify draining** water in one aquifer by promising to improve water conditions in another.

to justify + V~ing (*draining*)

There are cases which **justify** the courts **looking** at them in the public interest.

to justify + V~ing (*looking*)

It is hard to **justify handing** power to unelected technocrats if they fall down on the job.

to justify + V~ing (*handing*)

### **to keep + V~ing**

While the oil price has fallen back since the start of July, loan prices just **keep marching** ahead.

to keep + V~ing (*marching*)

With bond markets in the midst of a brutal post-election sell-off, investors are set to **keep asking** these questions.

to keep + V~ing (*asking*)

Real people no longer benefit from those low rates, even as the policy allows corporations to **keep borrowing** money to compensate rich investors via share buybacks.

to keep + V~ing (*borrowing*)

It has previously said it is concerned about the ability of some households to **keep paying** their debts if unemployment rises and wage growth stalls.

to keep + V~ing (paying)

Prices for the original Apple smartphones have **kept getting** more and more absurd.

to keep + V~ing (*getting*)

For now, the best advice for most investors is to **keep focusing** on costs.

to keep + V~ing (*focusing*)

There may be political pressure on the Bank of Japan to **keep buying** bonds to prevent this.

to keep + V~ing (*buying*)

The answer is to impose costs on carbon emissions so polluters cannot **keep using** the atmosphere as a free dumping ground for greenhouse gases.

to keep + V~ing (*using*)

The fat cats **keep dogging** British business.

to keep + V~ing (*dogging*)

If Britain wants to go on trading with its neighbors, its exporters will have to **keep following** their rules.

to keep + V~ing (*following*)

Sometimes conventional lenders **keep extending** credit but recoup their costs in other ways.

to keep + V~ing (*extending*)

They are the people who **keep buying** your stuff through thick and thin.

to keep + V~ing (*buying*)

To stay ahead, front-runners must **keep investing** new things.

to keep + V~ing (*investing*)

There is plenty of room for the company to **keep growing**.

to keep + V~ing (*growing*)

Yet Shell's debt **keeps bubbling** up, and only more asset sales can cut these liabilities.

to keep + V~ing (*bubbling*)

Instead, they work together voluntarily to ensure that the pie **keeps growing**, and that everyone gets a decent slice.

to keep + V~ing (*growing*)

The government **keeps telling** us that leaving the EU is good for the UK.

to keep + V~ing (*telling*)

We are going to **keep growing** everywhere.

to keep + V~ing (*growing*)

We are surprised that everybody **keeps calling** this a comic novel.

to keep + V~ing (*calling*)

We are going to **keep digging** deep into this deal and press regulators to make sure consumers do not get slammed.

to keep + V~ing (*digging*)

### **(be) like + V~ing**

It is **like seeing** cracks in a dam.

(be) like + V~ing (*seeing*)

With a tsunami of information washing into our phones, tablets and laptops, it is a bit **like emptying** the ocean with teaspoon.

(be) like + V~ing (*emptying*)

Trump has even bragged that having a Twitter account is **like “owning *The New York Times* without the losses.”**

(be) like + V~ing (*owning*)

Inquiring about the roots of nationalism is **like asking** what makes people love their families or fear strangers.

(be) like + V~ing (*asking*)

It is **like locking** yourself in a dark room; wind and rain are kept out, but so are light and air.

(be) like + V~ing (*locking*)

It is **like trying** to bluff at poker when the other players can see your cards.

(be) like + V~ing (*trying*)

It is **like going** to the dentist and fixing problems while they are small.

(be) like + V~ing (*going*)

It is **like living** with a snake under your desk.

(be) like + V~ing (*living*)

This is **like trying** to reverse the rotation of the earth.

(be) like + V~ing (*trying*)

It is **like falling** in love.

(be) like + V~ing (*falling*)

It was like planting a bomb in a world full of men.

(be) like + V~ing (*planting*)

Some marketers have advised homeowners to **quit making** monthly mortgage payments while they worked on renegotiating their loans.

to quit + V~ing (*making*)

It is **like watching** kung-fu movies.

(be) like + V~ing (*watching*)

Owning the Yankees was **like owning** the Mona Lisa.

(be) like + V~ing (*owning*)

It is **like going** from the shop window to the cash register with missing steps in between.

(be) like + V~ing (*going*)

For heavy Internet surfers, this is **like living** next to our oasis if you are a thirsty person.

(be) like + V~ing (*living*)

Taking on a business partner is **like taking** on a spouse.

(be) like + V~ing (*taking*)

Interviewing him is **like trying** to catch fish in a fast-moving river with your bare hands.

(be) like + V~ing (*trying*)

Launching into coverage of climate change right now is **like tuning** into a football game that is half over and your team is on its way to losing.

(be) like + V~ing (*tuning*)

Bringing Lincoln there might be **like bringing** American champagne to China.

(be) like + V~ing (*bringing*)

Working in Pakistan is **like** always **being** in a nightmare.

(be) like + V~ing (*being*)

For many of us, managing money is kind of **like keeping** a tidy house.

(be) like + V~ing (*keeping*)

It is rather **like giving** the keys of your car to a five-year old and allowing the five-year old to go off and crash the car.

(be) like + V~ing (*giving*)



Riding an auto rickshaw is **like jumping** on an older carnival ride – terrifying for some, but fun for me.

(be) like + V~ing (*jumping*)

That is **like blaming** rape victims for not running away.

(be) like + V~ing (*blaming*)

Living there is **like living** in heaven.

(be) like + V~ing (*living*)

It is **like asking** me to climb Mount Everest in high heels.

(be) like + V~ing (*asking*)

Living in the city is not **like living** on the beach.

(be) like + V~ing (*living*)

It is a bit **like saying** you should not water the lawn because it will make the grass wet.

(be) like + V~ing (*saying*)

It is **like living** with a snake under your desk.

(be) like + V~ing (*living*)

It is **like buying** a carpet in Morocco, and the figures are always negotiable.

(be) like + V~ing (*buying*)

This is **like prioritizing** experiences (which create lasting memories) over material goods.

(be) like + V~ing (*prioritizing*)

It is more **like applying** a steering lock before motoring towards a brick wall.

(be) like + V~ing (*applying*)

Getting a wind farm is **like landing** a luxury home development.

(be) like + V~ing (*landing*)

It is almost **like buying** a Mercedes and the stereo is bad.

(be) like + V~ing (*buying*)

Betting on Silicon Valley “unicorns” – startups valued at \$1 billion or more – last year was basically **like flipping** a coin

(be) like + V~ing (*flipping*)

## **to mean + V~ing**

In the stock market, that **means focusing** on things like the economy in general and corporate earnings in particular.

to mean + V~ing (*focusing*)

Most expect Theresa May to acknowledge that leaving the EU automatically **means leaving** the single market.

to mean + V~ing (*leaving*)

China has been accused of “dumping” its steel on European markets – which **means selling** it not just cheaply, but at a loss.

to mean + V~ing (*selling*)

Automakers must focus on economies of scale, which could **mean consolidating** or **forging** new partnerships in strategic areas.

to mean + V~ing (*consolidating, forging*)

Signing up for a credit card or opening a bank account can often **mean signing** away your right to take the company to court if things go wrong.

to mean + V~ing (*signing*)

That **means working** with the Chinese people without giving away too much technology.

to mean + V~ing (*working*)

This **means sharing** the pain as well as the gain.

to mean + V~ing (*sharing*)

Others fear overtime pay will **mean demoting** white-collar workers and **altering** workplace cultures.

to mean + V~ing (*demoting, altering*)

Being a statesman **means trying** to control the message, and thus the media.

to mean + V~ing (*trying*)

Owning a green portfolio **means enduring** stormy moments.

to mean + V~ing (*enduring*)

Failing to maintain a healthy sleep schedule could **mean putting** yourself or others on the road at risk.

to mean + V~ing (*putting*)

For consumers, it could **mean paying** more for goods.

to mean + V~ing (*paying*)

That **means transferring** a habit of corruption from one job to another.

to mean + V~ing (*transferring*)

Legalization does not **mean replacing** criminalization with a marijuana free-for-all.

to mean + V~ing (*replacing*)

Would a vote for Brexit **mean relocating** any of your UK businesses?

to mean + V~ing (*relocating*)

Being the world's second-largest economy does not **mean being** strong or advanced.

to mean + V~ing (*being*)

For Yellen, risk management **means doing** everything she can to keep the US recovery on track.

to mean + V~ing (*doing*)

For some less scrupulous hotel owners, that **means giving** customers the bare minimum.

to mean + V~ing (*giving*)

Accepting an election result does not **mean embracing** the winner.

to mean + V~ing (*embracing*)

But that does not **mean getting** rid of the debt will be easy.

to mean + V~ing (*getting*)

## **to mind + V~ing**

Food may be one realm where people do not **mind getting** stuck with version 1.0.

to mind + V~ing (*getting*)

The hedge fund manager David Einhorn does not seem to **mind revealing** his bets against a company, at least on his own terms.

to mind + V~ing (*revealing*)

Many airports are getting much better at being places where travelers really do not **mind spending** time.

to mind + V~ing (*spending*)

If I were Nespresso, I would not **mind losing** share if the other guys were helping to grow the category.

to mind + V~ing (*losing*)

We do not **mind keeping** in touch and replying to occasional emails.

to mind + V~ing (*keeping*)

### **to need + V~ing**

If the amount of your direct debit **needs changing**, your supplier must explain why.

to need + V~ing (*changing*)

The presidential candidate has complained about the media and disloyalty at the Pentagon where there are a lot of generals who **need firing**.

to need + V~ing (*firing*)

### **to oppose + V~ing**

The administration has **opposed taxing** bonuses in the past, saying shareholders should **determine** corporate pay policies.

to oppose + V~ing (*taxing*)

Americans overwhelmingly **opposed cutting** off federal funds for Planned Parenthood.

to oppose + V~ing (*cutting*)

To be sure, conservatives **oppose spending** tens of billions of dollars subsidizing green energy.

to oppose + V~ing (*spending*)

### **to preclude + V~ing**

This **precludes staying** in the single market with which Britain does almost half its trade.

### **to prioritize + V ~ing**

Turkey has **prioritized combating** Assad and **containing** Kurdish militants over fighting ISIS.

to prioritize + V~ing (*combating, containing*)

### **to propose + V~ing**

The Obama administration has **proposed spending** nearly \$4 billion over 10 years in order to spur automated vehicles.

to propose + V~ing (*spending*)

Mr. Trump has **proposed raising** tariffs on China and Mexico.

to propose + V~ing (*raising*)

Donald Trump has also **proposed separating** investment banking from commercial and retail banking  
to propose + V~ing (*separating*)

In July Ms. Tsai **proposed replacing** the clause with language that favors maintaining the status quo.  
to propose + V~ing (*replacing*)

### **to quit + V~ing**

Seven years ago, Panasonic **quit using** lead or hazardous materials in TV production.  
to quit + V~ing (*using*)

### **to recall + V~ing**

Priscilla Chan, Facebook Mark Zuckerberg's wife, spoke through tears as she **recalled telling** parents their child had an incurable disease.  
to recall + V~ing (*telling*)

I **recall feeling** somewhat uneasy about his appointment at the time.  
to recall + V~ing (*feeling*)

### **to recommend + V~ing**

We **recommend keeping** your seat belt fastened when you are in your seat to avoid the risk of injury from unexpected turbulence.  
to recommend + V~ing (*keeping*)

It is legal in 41 states for drivers to use handheld cellphones, and a leading highly safety organization **recommends keeping** it that way for now.  
to recommend + V~ing (*keeping*)

Given the declining market for beer in Australia, we **recommend accepting** the offer.  
to recommend + V~ing (*accepting*)

A report on semiconductors for the White House this month **recommends protecting** the chip industry from Chinese competition.  
to recommend + V~ing (*protecting*)

It would be premature to **recommend** people **starting** taking aspirin specifically to prevent cancer.  
to recommend + V~ing (*starting*)

Citigroup continues to **recommend buying** shares of Macau casino operators.  
to recommend + V~ing (*buying*)

Professionals **recommend cutting** losses at 10% of the price you paid.  
to recommend + V~ing (*cutting*)

We would **recommend skipping** the burgers and just sampling the chili peppers, which are really delicious and practically fat-free.  
to recommend + V~ing (*skipping*)

Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) does not **recommend voting** against the remuneration report.  
to recommend + V~ing (*voting*)

We **recommend hiring** a financial planner or seeking assistance with finances.  
to recommend + V~ing (*hiring*)

If it leads to something inconclusive or nothing, he is not going to **recommend filing** charges.  
to recommend + V~ing (*filing*)

### **to regret + V~ing**

More than a third of graduates **regret going** to university, and half reckon they would have landed their current job without having to study for a degree.  
to regret + V~ing (*going*)

Presidential candidate will **regret putting** women in their place on the ballot.  
to regret + V~ing (*putting*)

The MPs may **regret setting** the terms of reference so widely.  
to regret + V~ing (*setting*)

### **to relish + V~ing**

Many Republicans would **relish thwarting** an important part of Mr. Obama's legacy.  
to relish + V~ing (*thwarting*)

### **to remember + V~ing**

We **remember feeling** both excited and a little nervous.  
to remember + V~ing (*feeling*)

Every time I **remembered reading** something about the Deepwater Horizon, it was about the natural disaster.  
to remember + V~ing (*reading*)

### **to report + V~ing**

The legendary investor's firm **reported owning** 9.81 million shares of Apple as of 31 March 2016, valued at roughly \$1.07 billion.  
to report + V~ing (*owning*)

Despite the money sloshing around American politics, only 30% of millennials **reported having** been contacted by one of the campaigns.  
to report + V~ing (*having*)

Trump **reported having** two brokerage accounts containing 150 stock and bond investments.  
to report + V~ing (*having*)

Some people **reported being** gloomier about their finances.  
to report + V~ing (*being*)

Women **report being** more stressed than men and are twice as likely to be diagnosed with anxiety disorders.  
to report + V~ing (*being*)

The firm **reported having** just 25 shareholders in 2013.  
to report + V~ing (*having*)

The study found girls are less likely to **report being** told by parents or teachers they would be good at computer science.  
to report + V~ing (*being*)

Some victims have **reported being** forced to have sex without protection, or gang-raped.  
to report + V~ing (*being*)

Women with similar experiences typically **report being** approached on the street when they were in their teens or early 20s by porn industry touts.  
to report + V~ing (*being*)

### **to require + V~ing**

Improving profits may thus **require cutting** costs, and that means fewer jobs.  
to require + V~ing (*cutting*)

Everyone knows that selling illiquid assets such as brands and real estate in a hurry **requires accepting** huge losses.  
to require + V~ing (*accepting*)

Dealing with this **requires closing, selling or restructuring** loss-making businesses, including its European steel arm and its telecoms unit.  
to require + V~ing (*closing, selling, restructuring*)

Further progress **requires recognizing** that America's economy is an enormously complicated mechanism.  
to require + V~ing (*recognizing*)

Future rises in the retirement age to keep up with longer lives would not **require amending** the constitution.  
to require + V~ing (*amending*)

Fixing that does not **require turning** away from trade.  
to require + V~ing (*turning*)

But doing so would **require loosening** the Communist Party's control over the economy.  
to require + V~ing (*loosening*)

In reality, such a system will **require creating** a class of new insolvency professionals to settle cases out of court.  
to require + V~ing (*creating*)

Both presidential candidates recognize the need for improvement, but that will **require** more than simply **opening** the checkbook.  
to require + V~ing (*opening*)

It **requires confronting** the reality that the world has not evolved nearly as much as we have been led to believe it has.  
to require + V~ing (*confronting*)

It does not **require tearing** up Mr. Obama's legacy.  
to require + V~ing (*tearing*)

That is going to **require maintaining** stable relations with the mainland – which absorbs around 40% of Taiwan's exports  
to require + V~ing (*maintaining*)

That **requires knowing** when the amyloid in the brain makes its first appearance.  
to require + V~ing (*knowing*)



This **requires tracking** information from search engines and **following** anti-vaccination websites.

to require + V~ing (*tracking, following*)

### **to resent + V~ing**

Many Hong Kongers **resent** mainland immigrants and visitors **snapping** up everything from real estate to school places to even infant formula.

to resent + V~ing (*snapping*)

### **to resist + V~ing**

France has also long **resisted making** sanctions automatic.

to resist + V~ing (*making*)

Yet the government has **resisted giving** Parliament any say in its strategy.

to resist + V~ing (*giving*)

He is hardly the first leader to **resist doing** painful things until he had no alternative.

to resist + V~ing (*doing*)

Panama has consistently **resisted joining** the rest of the international community in bringing laws and regulations in line with global standards.

to resist + V~ing (*joining*)

Some police officers **resist wearing** seat belts because the restraints slow their movement in and out of the cars.

to resist + V~ing (*wearing*)

Few producers and producers record accurately what they throw away, and supermarkets **resist sharing** such information.

to resist + V~ing (*sharing*)

Many would-be donors also **resisted giving** money for fear of attracting unwanted official attention.

to resist + V~ing (*giving*)

Yet the government has **resisted giving** Parliament any say in its strategy.

to resist + V~ing (*giving*)

Corrupt officials – known to accept ivory as bribes – had **resisted curbing** sales for years.

to resist + V~ing (*curbing*)

## to risk + V~ing

Smaller business loans **risks repeating** failures of the financial crisis.

to risk + V~ing (*repeating*)

Courses paid for by taxpayers **risk being** wasteful.

to risk + V~ing (*being*)

Any time you do a dramatic transformation of the appearance of a newspaper, you **risk losing** or **alienating** some of your traditional audience.

to risk + V~ing (*losing, alienating*)

Bankers warn that the deal **risks becoming** a heavily politicized issue.

to risk + V~ing (*becoming*)

They **risk pushing** through the most misguided set of tax changes in US history.

to risk + V~ing (*pushing*)

Students who cheat during this year's university entrance exams in China **risk being** jailed for up to seven years.

to risk + V~ing (*being*)

They may **risk being** voted out, but they earn more respect by standing up for the national interest as best they can determine.

to risk + V~ing (*being*)

India may **risk squandering** the benefits of a ground-breaking economic reform.

to risk + V~ing (*squandering*)

If they go too far, they **risk putting** him off.

to risk + V~ing (*putting*)

While Brexit may not be ruinous for the UK economy, it does **risk damaging** the UK-based financial services sector.

to risk + V~ing (*damaging*)

However, full employee status would **risk breaking** the business model of most platforms.

to risk + V~ing (*breaking*)

This ridiculous situation will **risk losing** valuable assets.

to risk + V~ing (*losing*)

The pay rise **risk attracting** more low-skilled workers from Europe.

to risk + V~ing (*attracting*)

Britain also **risks making** enemies.  
to risk + V~(*making*)

Vietnam will **risk being** vulnerable to external shocks if it does not push through reforms to strengthen its banking system.  
to risk + V~ing (*being*)

In pursuing its domestic objectives, China **risks inadvertently amplifying** global financial instability.  
to risk + V~ing (*amplifying*)

Even if the new policy can be enforced, opponents sway it **risks altering** hiring policies.  
to risk + V~ing (*altering*)

China will **risk turning** cultural insensitivity into ethnic clashes.  
to risk + V~ing (*turning*)

The Chinese government even **risks clashing** with foreign governments by claiming some form of jurisdiction over their ethnic-Han citizens.  
to risk + V~ing (*clashing*)

The US and Cuba governments **risk enraging** a growing portion of their populations if they try to take any of those benefits away.  
to risk + V~ing (*enraging*)

This slowdown will **risk fueling** public unrest among Chinese already burdened by growing pollution and harsh labor conditions.  
to risk + V~ing (*fueling*)

Such policies will **risk triggering** another bout of commodity inflation that squeezes consumers.  
to risk + V~ing (*triggering*)

If the Fed moves too quickly, it **risks undermining** the current recovery.  
to risk + V~ing (*undermining*)

Political uncertainty **risks derailing** the steady progress the region has made.  
to risk + V~ing (*derailing*)

As the company grows, it **risks exceeding** the 499 shareholder limit.  
to risk + V~ing (*exceeding*)

With the UK's destination uncertain, the transition – a place half-in and half-out of the EU – **risks becoming** its final resting place.

to risk + V~ing (*becoming*)

Higher inflation and slower wage growth **risk squeezing** household budgets and spending next year.

to risk + V~ing (*squeezing*)

We **risk seeing** the fragile recovery derailed.

to risk + V~ing (*seeing*)

America's growing entanglement with the mortgage market also **risks aggravating** overinvestment in housing.

to risk + V~ing (*aggravating*)

The companies also **risk losing** sales if anything is late.

to risk + V~ing (*losing*)

That is a rare opportunity; China **risks missing** it.

to risk + V~ing (*missing*)

### **to relish + V~ing**

No one of either party **relished doing** something that would benefit undeserving bankers.

to relish + V~ing (*doing*)

### **to suggest + V~ing**

Some have **suggested privatizing** some mail operations to limit the Postal Service's losses.

to suggest + V~ing (*privatizing*)

The committee has **suggested restricting** the use of banks' in-house models in assessing loans to large companies and other banks.

to suggest + V~ing (*restricting*)

Some Brexiteers **suggest giving** up the single market and falling back on World Trade Organization rules.

to suggest + V~ing (*giving*)

Trump himself has **suggested being** updated only when major developments warrant.

to suggest + V~ing (*being*)

Financial advisers overwhelmingly **suggest paying** off the most costly loans first.

to suggest + V~ing (*paying*)

Researchers **suggest seeking** a more balanced diet of whole wheat.  
to suggest + V~ing (*seeking*)

The new president has **suggested imposing** a 35% tariff on BMW if it sells cars made in Mexico to the US.  
to suggest + V~ing (*imposing*)

### **to warrant + V~ing**

They will discuss whether the results are strong enough to **warrant using** the technology for live trades.  
to warrant + V~ing (*using*)

## **Part 3. Verb + Adjective**

### **to come + adjective**

In the currency of the cosmos, stars **come cheap**.

to come + adjective (*cheap*)

The criticism **came hard** and **fast**.

to come + adjective (*hard, fast*)

What is more, Ms. Yellen's prediction is beginning to **come true**.

to come + adjective (*true*)

Such degrees of MBA programs do not **come cheap**.

to come + adjective (*cheap*)

Weddings do not **come cheap**.

to come + adjective (*cheap*)

You have to take control and make your wishes **come true**.

to come + adjective (*true*)

After years of sweeping bad-loan problems under the rug, India's lenders have started to **come clean**.

to come + adjective (*clean*)

That underground supply of funds did not **come cheap**.

to come + adjective (*cheap*)

Their pain is real; but the answers do not **come easy**.

to come + adjective (*easy*)

### **to die + adjective**

Old gambling habits **die hard**.

to die + adjective (*hard*)

But old habits **die hard**, and too many vestiges of the past remain.

to die + adjective (*hard*)

Studies suggest that married people have better health, wealth and even better sex lives than singles, and will probably **die happier**.

to die + adjective (*happier*)

Superstitions **die hard**, in any part of the world.

to die + adjective (*hard*)

A new UN report shows these pollinators are **dying fast**, threatening global food security.

to die + adjective (*fast*)

The story of endless global growth, now driven by China and other key emerging markets, is a dream that **dies hard**.

to die + adjective (*hard*)

Unfortunately, old habits **die hard**.

to die + adjective (*hard*)

### **to feel + adjective**

There are not many people who **feel bad** for oil companies.

to feel + adjective (*bad*)

From our perspective we **feel well-positioned** in terms of energy exposure.

to feel + adjective (*well-positioned*)

If you want to **feel empowered**, you need to be improved.

to feel + adjective (*empowered*)

It **feels good** to put this story behind.

to feel + adjective (*good*)

No relationship can flourish if its members **feel trapped**, and a union is no different.

to feel + adjective (*trapped*)

People must **feel safe** in order to speak freely.

to feel + adjective (*safe*)

But for what it's worth the argument is that people **feel miserable** because Christmas is over.

to feel + adjective (*miserable*)

The middle class is **feeling better**, but the wealthy are **feeling worse**.

to feel + adjective (*better, worse*)

People do not like **feeling dependent** on something they simply do not understand.

to feel + adjective (*dependent*)

It looks wrong and **feels worse**.

to feel + adjective (*worse*)

In China, the Communist Party's mannerisms can often **feel exaggerated**.

to feel + adjective (*exaggerated*)

It is not enough to make investors **feel good** about themselves; they also want to make money.

to feel + adjective (*good*)

It was so satisfying that I **felt good** to walk away.

to feel + adjective (*good*)

Obviously the wins **feel extra special** because of the tough losses, so Andy Murray is proud to get his hands on the trophy again.

to feel + adjective (*special*)

The percentage of CFOs who **feel worse** about their companies' access to capital has more than doubled, from just 20% in 2015 to 45% this year.

to feel + adjective (*worse*)

Only the wealthy **feel** more economically **secure**.

to feel + adjective (*secure*)

Many locals **feel nervous** if they cannot identify a figure in a mosque or market.

to feel + adjective (*nervous*)

A lot of people are intimidated by electronics, but they **feel comfortable** hanging out in a bookstore.

to feel + adjective (*comfortable*)

Many employees do not **feel comfortable** disclosing a mental health problem to their employer.

to feel + adjective (*comfortable*)

We **feel good** about being able to execute on that.

to feel + adjective (*good*)

Like a lot of air travelers, Scott Cocking **feels safe** when he board a plane.

to feel + adjective (*safe*)

When you find out that you are the best at something, normally it makes sense to **feel happy**.

to feel + adjective (*happy*)

Most of us **feel** more **productive** than ever.

to feel + adjective (*productive*)

### **to get + adjective**

Conditions are likely to **get worse**.



to get + adjective (*worse*)

It is **getting harder** to do both.

to get + adjective (*harder*)

Ordinary people in the emerging world have been **getting richer** alongside the billionaires.

to get + adjective (*richer*)

The situation is also likely to **get worse**.

to get + adjective (*worse*)

Big Tobacco is about to **get even bigger**.

to get + adjective (*bigger*)

That trend could be turning, as trips to Japan **get more expensive**.

to get + adjective (*expensive*)

But what keeps you going when the going **gets tough**?

to get + adjective (*tough*)

Whatever churches were **getting wrong**, cathedrals seemed to be **getting right**.

to get + adjective (*wrong, right*)

This bad news **gets worse**.

to get + adjective (*worse*)

As markets stagnate, investors are **getting impatient** for more profits.

to get + adjective (*impatient*)

Africans are **getting fatter**, a side-effect of economic growth.

to get + adjective (*fatter*)

Things are definitely **getting more complicated** for Tesla CEO Elon Musk.

to get + adjective (*complicated*)

The American workforce is **getting grayer**, and that includes the chief executives at the top of the food chain.

to get + adjective (*grayer*)

The pressure is already **getting worse**.

to get + adjective (*worse*)

Apple is **getting ready** for a busy week.

to get + adjective (*ready*)

The company has basically two choices: **get bigger** or break apart.  
to get + adjective (*bigger*)

China's debt burden is only going to **get bigger**.  
to get + adjective (*bigger*)

The landlords **got too piggy**, and the tenants are starting to flee.  
to get + adjective (*piggy*)

Warren Buffett **got wealthy** by growing a small insurance company into a behemoth.  
to get + adjective (*wealthy*)

The story is **getting harder** and **harder** to believe.  
to get + adjective (*harder*)

There are worries that things may be **getting worse**.  
to get + adjective (*worse*)

For hotel firms, one solution is to **get bigger**.  
to get + adjective (*bigger*)

The situation in Hong Kong appears to be **getting worse**.  
to get + adjective (*worse*)

As far as we can tell, the problem is still **getting worse**, not better.  
to get + adjective (*worse*)

Coke's investors were **getting impatient** after the beverage giant missed profit targets the last two years.  
to get + adjective (*impatient*)

The market is **getting crowded** with domestic and international players.  
to get + adjective (*crowded*)

If the regulators do uncover evidence of real misconduct, things could **get nasty** for China's most celebrated firm.  
to get + adjective (*nasty*)

But now things are **getting scary**.  
to get + adjective (*scary*)

Shortages will **get even worse** in March.  
to get + adjective (*worse*)

This can **get dangerous** – and create a liquidity situation.

to get + adjective (*dangerous*)

Things will slowly **get better**, unless they slowly **get worse**.

to get + adjective (*better, worse*)

You are going to **get old** no matter what you do; it is a condition of being human.

to get + adjective (*old*)

Some people exposed to radiation will **get sick**; some workers may die.

to get + adjective (*sick*)

When challenged, men tend to play harder or **get aggressive**, while women often withdraw and generally blame themselves.

to get + adjective (*aggressive*)

The trick is **getting harder** as bad loans surge.

to get + adjective (*harder*)

It's easy to see why collecting payment is **getting harder** in China.

to get + adjective (*harder*)

Looking further ahead, things **get more speculative**.

to get + adjective (*speculative*)

Things can only **get messier**.

to get + adjective (*messier*)

That is why the stress test is likely to **get tougher** still for the biggest banks.

to get + adjective (*tougher*)

That leads people to conclude that things are **getting worse** when they are, in fact, **getting better**.

to get + adjective (*worse, better*)

If we do not **get tough**, and if we do not **get smart** and **fast**, we are not going to have our country anymore.

to get + adjective (*tough, smart, fast*)

When the going **gets tough**, even the Swiss producer of KitKat chocolate bars takes a break.

to get + adjective (*tough*)

Unfortunately, at the moment, the situation is **getting worse**, not better.

to get + adjective (*worse*)

The IMF report indicates that problems of the economy have **got worse** in the past year.

to get + adjective (*worse*)

### **to go + adjective**

A vast majority of crimes against women **go unreported**.

to go + adjective (*unreported*)

Its success has not **gone unnoticed**.

to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

How can anything **go wrong** if you are just a passive participant, rather than an aggressive go-getter?

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

The issue has not **gone unnoticed**.

to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

There is always stuff that can **go wrong**, and no doubt something will eventually **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If things do **go wrong**, somebody will be left with the bill.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

The implication seemed to be that women in burkinis are un-French, while true French women **go topless**.

to go + adjective (*topless*)

Big clearing houses can also tap big default funds if things **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Courts in big cities are getting better at handling disputes over investments that **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Even when everything **goes right**, moving can be a financial and emotional nightmare.

to go + adjective (*right*)

The presence of eye-popping prices has not **gone unnoticed** in the country.

to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

No one ever **goes hungry**.

to go + adjective (*hungry*)

That means he and his fellow travelers – his sister, her friend and five children – sometimes **go hungry**.  
to go + adjective (*hungry*)

The price rises of cancer drug were **going unnoticed** because they were “under the radar”.  
to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

The appeal of the modern cathedrals **goes deeper**.  
to go + adjective (*deeper*)

A lot can still **go wrong**: the Zika virus, serious concerns about water quality, and that small matter of the Russian doping scandal.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If things **go** really **good**, we can do it again.  
to go + adjective (*good*)

When America **goes nuts**, the world **goes nuts**.  
to go + adjective (*nuts*)

Few companies are able to **go public** with a valuation of more than \$50 billion less than a decade after their founding.  
to go + adjective (*public*)

When they **go low**, we **go high**.  
to go + adjective (*low, high*)

Some people blame economic globalization for what has **gone wrong** in our world.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

When they **go low**, we **go high**.  
to go + adjective (*low, high*)

Alibaba founder Jack Ma thinks America **went wrong** over the past 30 years by focusing too much on war and Wall Street.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

When things do **go wrong** for emerging-market borrowers, it seems to happen faster.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If bees **go extinct**, it is simple: no bees, no food.  
to go + adjective (*extinct*)

Trump is about all that has **gone wrong** in our society, and nothing of what has **gone right**.

to go + adjective (*wrong, right*)

China's very biggest couriers have been rushing to **go public** on the back of the strong growth.

to go + adjective (*public*)

Real-world institutions can adjust when things **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

There is now so much that can **go wrong** in such devices.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

For years, I have advised travelers to take pictures and videos when something **goes wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

You know markets turn round and **go positive** as quickly as they **go negative**.

to go + adjective (*positive, negative*)

Theresa May's stroll into Downing Street offered some hope that Britain has not **gone** completely **mad**.

to go + adjective (*mad*)

Iraqi forces have placed the city under siege and forced thousands of trapped civilians to **go hungry**.

to go + adjective (*hungry*)

The world's two biggest industrial conglomerates differ on how best to **go digital**.

to go + adjective (*digital*)

Today, lenders are left with little recourse when sovereign debtors **go bust**.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

Courts in big cities are getting better at handling disputes over investments that **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

About 70 shale-related firms have **gone bust** in America since the start of last year.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

One in 10 people out of the current global population of 7.4 billion already **goes hungry**.

to go + adjective (*hungry*)

That stuff **goes underreported** all the time.

to go + adjective (*underreported*)

The reality is that there are innumerable reasons why things can and will **go wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If things **go** really **bad**, we can do it again.

to go + adjective (*bad*)

Some of the concern is to be expected in a slowing economy but the worrying **goes deeper**.

to go + adjective (*deeper*)

As banks run out of cash, people have to **go hungry** if they do not make it to the front of the line.

to go + adjective (*hungry*)

Nearly \$65 billion of bank loans have **gone bad**.

to go + adjective (*bad*)

A company that is willing to **go public** with a bid is usually willing to bid more.

to go + adjective (*public*)

China's Internet industry was booming and many of the companies were flocking to the U.S. market to **go public**.

to go + adjective (*public*)

If one party **goes bust**, the clearer will make the trade good.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

If a client **goes bust** and its margin payments are insufficient, the clearer still has other funds to call on.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

BP's corporate blindness **goes deep**.

to go + adjective (*deep*)

Prices go nuts as coconuts **go trendy**.

to go + adjective (*trendy*)

A lot still could **go wrong** in emerging markets.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

US companies will invest in things that are going to keep America's economy **going strong** for future generations.  
to go + adjective (*strong*)

Chinese buyers became interested in amber after their jade became exhausted, and things have just **gone mad**.  
to go + adjective (*mad*)

The whole flow of money **goes underground**.  
to go + adjective (*underground*)

As profit growth at commercial banks **goes flat**, the so-called bad banks are flourishing.  
to go + adjective (*flat*)

The deal could serve as a model for other Taiwan electronics firms which want to **go global**.  
to go + adjective (*global*)

Since 1950, 367 languages have **gone extinct**, a rate of loss of five languages per year.  
to go + adjective (*extinct*)

More and more companies are **going bankrupt**.  
to go + adjective (*bankrupt*)

China is now finding that many of the loans are **going sour**.  
to go + adjective (*sour*)

This is a very serious matter that we will not allow to **go unquestioned**.  
to go + adjective (*unquestioned*)

The trend has not **gone unnoticed** by hedge-fund investors.  
to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

If you look beyond the next few weeks, the fear that something will **go wrong** later is all too realistic.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Something is **going wrong** at this bank, and you are the head of it.  
to go + adjective (*wrong*)

When things **go wrong**, there is no one else to blame.



to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If you start seeing those numbers **go negative**, you have got a real problem.

to go + adjective (*negative*)

Before asking how the industry's fortunes could **go wrong**, however, how did it all **go right**?

to go + adjective (*wrong, right*)

Last year's budget was full of tax rises that will **go almost unnoticed** by consumers.

to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

If things **go wrong**, they carry the can.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Things can **go wrong** in a hurry in countries.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Things have **gone so wrong** that the situation raises bigger questions.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

As the recent crisis has shown, these bets can **go wrong** and endanger the global financial system.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Sometimes if you want to **go big**, you have to **go small**.

to go + adjective (*big, small*)

The parents **go broke** trying to help their children out and then the children **go broke** trying to help the parents out.

to go + adjective (*broke*)

Scores of companies wait to **go public**, but appetite for equity remains weak.

to go + adjective (*public*)

In Asia skies, mistakes frequently **go unreported**.

to go + adjective (*unreported*)

US economists reckon that if all **goes right** and nothing terrible **goes wrong**, the global economy might grow nearly 4% this year.

to go + adjective (*right, wrong*)

Financial markets no longer know what is good or what is bad for them – so how can they know who to blame when things **go wrong**?

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

But sometimes things can **go** badly **wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

If anything **goes wrong** at all, the central banks of the world know precisely what to do to put the fire out.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

One obstacle to Finland's revival **goes** largely **unmentioned**.

to go + adjective (*unmentioned*)

If a bank **goes bust**, the region will be a no-go area for years.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

Jam City is looking to **go public** later this year or in early 2018.

to go + adjective (*public*)

In a recession, highly indebted companies are likely to **go bust** more quickly whereas companies with lots of equity capital can ride out the storm.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

There are many opportunities for things to **go** terribly **wrong**.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Taxpayers' calls to IRS (Internal Revenue Service) often **go unanswered**.

to go + adjective (*unanswered*)

You can seldom **go wrong** by bringing back the best.

to go + adjective (*wrong*)

Some all-cargo airlines have **gone bust** in recent years.

to go + adjective (*bust*)

Mrs. Merkel's isolation has not **gone unnoticed** in Germany.

to go + adjective (*unnoticed*)

### **to grow + adjective**

But competition will only **grow fierce** in the coming months.

to grow + adjective (*fierce*)

The innovation may help America's mountain of car loans **grow** even **taller**.

to grow + adjective (*taller*)

We are mostly satisfied with understanding about 10% of something before we **grow bored** and turn to the next thing.

to grow + adjective (*bored*)

Users may also **grow uncomfortable** if Microsoft deploys their data elsewhere.

to grow + adjective (*uncomfortable*)

As people **grow richer**, they eat more meat.

to grow + adjective (*richer*)

In spite of the prospect of Brexit, the industry has been **growing fast** this year.

to grow + adjective (*fast*)

Most people like to eat meat; as they **grow richer** they eat more of it.

to grow + adjective (*richer*)

Perhaps the UK and Europe have **grown** increasingly **uncomfortable** in their relationship.

to grow + adjective (*uncomfortable*)

It is essential if Peru is ever to **grow** truly **prosperous**.

to grow + adjective (*prosperous*)

Despite years of economic growth, popular discontent at widespread corruption has **grown stronger**.

to grow + adjective (*stronger*)

As the economy deteriorates, the calls for intervention will **grow louder**.

to grow + adjective (*louder*)

Germans **grew** more **jittery** with each round of breaking news.

to grow + adjective (*jittery*)

Faced with an emergency which it can no longer deny, the government has at last **grown** more **ready** to accept help.

to grow + adjective (*ready*)

The industry has also **grown** increasingly **competitive** amid a consolidation that has created three huge US carriers.

to grow + adjective (*competitive*)

If Russians **grow angry** at their corrupt elite, there is only one target for their anger.

to grow + adjective (*angry*)

The ECB top officials will face a dilemma that has only **grown** more **difficult** over the summer.

to grow + adjective (*difficult*)

As machines **grow** more **powerful**, deciding who must go and who must stay becomes harder.

to grow + adjective (*powerful*)

The people who move there tend to **grow richer, freer** and more **tolerant**.

to grow + adjective (*richer, freer, tolerant*)

The eurozone economy **grew faster** than expected in the first three months of 2016.

to grow + adjective (*faster*)

China may have **grown** too **powerful** for most countries in the world to handle alone.

to grow + adjective (*powerful*)

South Korea's mess will only **grow worse** if impeachment is rejected.

to grow + adjective (*worse*)

Anti-abortion groups have **grown louder** in many countries in recent years.

to grow + adjective (*louder*)

As China **grew richer** and more **innovative**, people assumed it would counterfeit less.

to grow + adjective (*richer, innovative*)

Since then, Chinese policy had **grown** much more **conservative**.

to grow + adjective (*conservative*)

It also hints that the EU is **growing** more protectionist.

to grow + adjective (*protectionist*)

Cubans **grow impatient** with slow pace of reform.

to grow + adjective (*impatient*)

Investors in the loans have **grown** more **selective**.

to grow + adjective (*selective*)

LendingClub has **grown faster** than the average bank, but expectations for growth are much higher as well.

to grow + adjective (*faster*)

Innovation may help America's mountain of car loans **grow** even **taller**.

to grow + adjective (*taller*)

All the same, shareholders are **growing impatient**.

to grow + adjective (*impatient*)

Applying for a student visa has **grown slower** and **costlier**.

to grow + adjective (*slower, costlier*)

People do not grow up and **grow old** in the same place with the same people.

to grow + adjective (*old*)

Lenders burned by loan defaults often **grow more conservative**.

to grow + adjective (*conservative*)

Stock prices are **growing expensive** as the bull market moves deeper into its seventh year.

to grow + adjective (*expensive*)

China has do it the easier way or the harder way: It is their choice and time is **growing short**.

to grow + adjective (*short*)

The public **grows more uncertain** about how to square abortion with reality.

to grow + adjective (*uncertain*)

As well as moving into advertising, the marijuana industry is **growing more professional** in its lobbying.

to grow + adjective (*professional*)

If investors **grow more concerned** about any of these factors, they demand a wider spread.

to grow + adjective (*concerned*)

As China **grows richer**, it will need more copper for electric cables, and petrol for its growing fleet of cars.

to grow + adjective (*richer*)

### **to hold + adjective**

Where water is in ample supply, his words still **hold true**.

to hold true

Although parents who disapprove of their children's partners may be quick to warn that half of all marriages end in divorce, that statistic no longer **holds true**.

to hold + adjective (*true*)

### **to lie + adjective**

Eight nuclear reactors are currently **lying idle** and several may not restart for weeks or months.

to lie + adjective (*idle*)

Many of these former BHS stores will **lie vacant** for some time to come.

to lie + adjective (*vacant*)

### **to look + adjective**

It is not **looking good** for the airline industry that has not been **looking good** for eight years.

to look + adjective (*good*)

Neither argument **looks** entirely **convincing**.

to look + adjective (*convincing*)

It all **looked** very **different** 25 years ago.

to look + adjective (*different*)

Chinese banks **look cheap**, at round 0.7 to 0.8 times of book value.

to look + adjective (*cheap*)

The test footage **looked steadier** in the air than on the ground.

to look + adjective (*steadier*)

The trouble is that the terrain **looks trickier** for the supermarket chain.

to look + adjective (*trickier*)

For advanced economies, the picture **looks** very **different**.

to look + adjective (*different*)

Our future **looks** far **bleaker** if we stay in the EU.

to look + adjective (*bleaker*)

Things do not **look bright** if Monsanto remains standalone.

to look + adjective (*bright*)

There are fundamental economic reasons why exchange rates tend to **look cheap** in developing countries.

to look + adjective (*cheap*)

To many, this structure **looks lopsided**.

to look + adjective (*lopsided*)

Commercial real estate **looked** very **vulnerable** as we entered the referendum.

to look + adjective (vulnerable)

Do you care about maintaining healthy bee populations but also want to **look good** while doing it?

to look + adjective (*good*)

Like most exercise, yoga **looks better** online than in real life.

to look + adjective (*better*)

More than 20 years later, the world **looks** very **different**.

to look + adjective (*different*)

If Grexit **looked scary**, Brexit raises bigger uncertainties.

to look + adjective (*scary*)

Several trends make household-income statistics **look gloomier** than they really are.

to look + adjective (*gloomier*)

It is a terrible sign for investors because it **looks** very **protective**.

to look + adjective (*protective*)

From one angle, the investments **look odd**.

to look + adjective (*odd*)

This **looked unrealistic** then and it **looks** even more **unrealistic** now.

to look + adjective (*unrealistic*)

Corporate bottom lines **look** pretty **ugly** for most companies.

to look + adjective (*ugly*)

Things are **looking rosy**.

to look + adjective (*rosy*)

If so, whatever happens at Engie, the days of “le PDG” **look numbered**.

to look + adjective (*numbered*)

Theresa May has one great advantage as a politician; she **looks serious** and responsible.

to look + adjective (*serious, responsible*)

Despite the work to be done, that **looks** too **big** a gap.

to look + adjective (*big*)

Unless Asian and African police work together better, the rhino’s future **looks grim**.

to look + adjective (*grim*)

Yet eight years on, the tax system **looks** as **fiddly** as ever.

to look + adjective (*fiddly*)

Unless something turns up in the next year, a dividend cut **looks inevitable**.

to look + adjective (*inevitable*)

The celebration **looks** highly **premature**.

to look + adjective (*premature*)

There is no way it **looks good**.

to look + adjective (*good*)

As we look ahead into the future, the market's confidence that the Fed will not raise rates further **looks** more **dubious**.

to look + adjective (*dubious*)

The Brexit vote made the smart money **look** pretty **dumb**.

to look + adjective (*dumb*)

A lot of developed-market government debt may also **look expensive**.

to look + adjective (*expensive*)

Lately, the results **look** pretty **good**.

to look + adjective (*good*)

The company's other businesses **looked** even **worse**.

to look + adjective (*worse*)

As the situation worsens, several technological approaches may start to **look appealing**.

to look + adjective (*appealing*)

Even that approach **looks optimistic**.

to look + adjective (*optimistic*)

Chinese already make up 20% of Bhutan's visitors; from their smoky cities its green hills **look tempting** indeed.

to look + adjective (*tempting*)

Judged by the numbers, the Chinese economy still **looks robust**.

to look + adjective (*robust*)

When you open your eyes, the world **looks different** to you.

to look + adjective (*different*)



While the headline news **looks** very **positive**, we believe the majority of the extra profit will be taken by the government.  
to look + adjective (*positive*)

Companies that have resisted the temptation to borrow are **looking** pretty **smart** now.  
to look + adjective (*smart*)

Fees, typically fixed for the life of a fund, may **look reasonable** at first but prove wrong later.  
to look + adjective (*reasonable*)

The spat makes everyone **look bad**.  
to look + adjective (*bad*)

Evidence of the measure's costs is mounting, while the benefits **look** ever more **uncertain**.  
to look + adjective (*uncertain*)

When commodity prices fell, the boom began to **look unsustainable**.  
to look + adjective (*unsustainable*)

Other currencies **look** more **precarious**.  
to look + adjective (*precarious*)

Even if oil prices stay low, energy companies may start to **look good**.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

It **looks wrong** and feels worse.  
to look + adjective (*wrong*)

Now things **look** quite **different**.  
to look + adjective (*different*)

Chefs are artists at heart, and they want the food to **look good**, not just taste good.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

The trouble is that apart from India and China, demand is not **looking promising** anywhere this year.  
to look + adjective (*promising*)

You need your website to **look professional**, and to communicate your brand to the world.  
to look + adjective (*professional*)

For a time, the Australian bet **looked good**.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

That **looked optimistic** when the forecast was made in November; it looks even less plausible now.  
to look + adjective (*optimistic*)

Meanwhile, the world economy is **looking** more **fragile**.  
to look + adjective (*fragile*)

The present binge already **looks alarming**.  
to look + adjective (*alarming*)

The deal **looks** highly **attractive** for Virgin America.  
to look + adjective (*attractive*)

Even so, this debt still **looks** too **expensive** given the risks.  
to look + adjective (*expensive*)

They make the numbers **look good**.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

This **looks** remarkably **good**.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

As the Google kerfuffle shows, trying to **look tough** can backfire.  
to look + adjective (*tough*)

Riyadh's new buildings **look good**; investors hope they are not built on sand.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

The long term **looks** more **worrisome**.  
to look + adjective (*worrisome*)

For advanced economies, the picture **looks** very **different**.  
to look + adjective (*different*)

Things do not **look** so **good** for international trade these days.  
to look + adjective (*good*)

Practical hurdles for the deal **look high**.  
to look + adjective (*high*)

**to prove + adjective**

The results of this broken system may **prove criminal** as well as **fatal**.  
to prove + adjective (*criminal, fatal*)

The era of digital downloads in any case **proved short**.  
to prove + adjective (*short*)

Most of the bets do not pay off – just as most new businesses fail, and most ideas **prove half-baked**.  
to prove + adjective (*half-baked*)

That may **prove challenging**.  
to prove + adjective (*challenging*)

If you look at all the interventions that have ever been tried, diet has **proven superior** to anything else.  
to prove + adjective (*superior*)

If the schools do not move quickly, autonomy could **prove short-lived**.  
to prove + adjective (*short-lived*)

Yet Mr. Trump's victory may **prove more problematic** for the Kremlin than it seems.  
to prove + adjective (*problematic*)

Not all these assumptions can be **proved right**.  
to prove + adjective (*right*)

The disruption could **prove extremely costly** to taxpayers.  
to prove + adjective (*costly*)

The modifications can **prove less costly** to the firm over time.  
to prove + adjective (*costly*)

However, that has **proved difficult**, in part because of the huge technological challenges of setting up a new IT system at the bank.  
to prove + adjective (*difficult*)

Yet getting started is **proving harder** than many expected.  
to prove + adjective (*harder*)

Fees, typically fixed for the life of a fund, may look reasonable at first but **prove wrong** later.  
to prove + adjective (*wrong*)

Her first step in that direction may **prove controversial**.  
to prove + adjective (*controversial*)

Algeria's new constitutional guarantees have **proved meaningless**.  
to prove + adjective (*meaningless*)

The hope is that this election will **prove cathartic**.  
to prove + adjective (*cathartic*)

The strategy **proved useful** in taming inflation decades ago.  
to prove + adjective (*useful*)

Western security services have **proved effective** at preventing large, complex attacks.  
to prove + adjective (*effective*)

Yet, for all this, tobacco companies have **proved crafty and resilient**.  
to prove + adjective (*crafty, resilient*)

The designs quickly **proved popular** with parents and are now sold in 900 independent bike stores in the UK and 30 countries overseas.  
to prove + adjective (*popular*)

Perhaps that will **prove true** for the Article 50 talks, too.  
to prove + adjective (*truer*)

The opposite has **proved true**.  
to prove + adjective (*true*)

On the other hand, eliminating malaria-carrying mosquitoes might **prove more difficult**.  
to prove + adjective (*difficult*)

Eliminating the red tape also has **proved daunting**.  
to prove + adjective (*daunting*)

VW's financial penalties may **prove painful** but not life-threatening.  
to prove + adjective (*painful*)

Some industries will **prove immune**.  
to prove + adjective (*immune*)

The audiences will **prove attractive** for advertisers because they are highly engaged, not passive listeners.  
to prove + adjective (*attractive*)

It would **prove much more difficult** for Britain to win access to European services markets.

to prove + adjective (*difficult*)

Lending to coal companies is too risky and could ultimately **prove unprofitable**.

to prove + adjective (*unprofitable*)

The myth of the omnipotent central banker is **proving hard** to kill.

to prove + adjective (*hard*)

An outside method to bypass the locking function of a San Bernardino terrorist's phone has **proved successful**.

to prove + adjective (*successful*)

Such radicalism will **prove feasible** in a few countries.

to prove + adjective (*feasible*)

Apple has been the master of invention, but real innovation is now **proving tough**.

to prove + adjective (*tough*)

It is no secret that betting on declines is **proving profitable** in what has been the worst start to a year ever for global stocks.

to prove + adjective (*profitable*)

While this has helped China to weather the economic storm in flamboyant style so far, it may **prove costly**.

to prove + adjective (*costly*)

Shale-oil supply did indeed **prove** more **elastic** than the conventional sort when prices were falling.

to prove + adjective (*elastic*)

Rolling out new businesses and improving existing ones has **proved pricey**.

to prove + adjective (*pricey*)

Having to deal with multiple trade treaties in Europe could **prove cumbersome** for US companies.

to prove + adjective (*cumbersome*)

So far those fears have **proved unfounded**.

to prove + adjective (*unfounded*)

It would **prove** much more **difficult** to win access to European services markets.

to prove + adjective (*difficult*)

In the long term, large-scale online retailing, using central warehouses, will surely **prove** more **efficient**.

to prove + adjective (*efficient*)

Increasing production has **proved** **troublesome** in the past.

to prove + adjective (*troublesome*)

Evidence from their handling of the political and economic policies suggests that the worriers may **prove** **right**.

to prove + adjective (*right*)

Unifying the country may **prove** **difficult**.

to prove + adjective (*difficult*)

Yet China knows that turning from suitor to bully is likely to **prove** **counter-productive** in winning over public opinion in Taiwan.

to prove + adjective (*counter-productive*)

Despite the Saudis' efforts, however, oil producers have **proved** **resilient**.

to prove + adjective (*resilient*)

That learning curve has already **proved** **costly**.

to prove + adjective (*costly*)

Giving cash directly to people in extreme poverty has been **proven** **effective** again and again, by study after study.

to prove + adjective (*effective*)

It is **proving** **harder** for banks to generate profits.

to prove + adjective (*harder*)

### **to remain + adjective**

The ability to **remain** **patient** is a competitive advantage.

to remain + adjective (*patient*)

We **remain** **confident** in our strategy.

to remain + adjective (*confident*)

Mind-blowing tests **remain** **unexplained**.

to remain + adjective (*unexplained*)

The benefits **remain unconfirmed** and largely **unexplained**.  
to remain + adjective (*unconfirmed, unexplained*)

The markets **remain nervous**: bank shares are down by 36% since the start of the year.  
to remain + adjective (*nervous*)

The outlook for coal players **remains bleak**.  
to remain + adjective (*bleak*)

Mortgages may **remain** extraordinarily **cheap** in the new world.  
to remain + adjective (*cheap*)

While much of the leaked material will **remain private**, there are compelling reasons for publishing some of the data.  
to remain + adjective (*private*)

Confidence **remained fragile** in most sectors.  
to remain + adjective (*fragile*)

The terms of the deal **remain unchanged**.  
to remain + adjective (*unchanged*)

Despite decades of advances, the gender gap **remains wide**.  
to remain + adjective (*wide*)

Overall growth in the US economy **remains disappointing**.  
to remain + adjective (*disappointing*)

Unless we see fundamental changes, this rule will **remain unworkable**.  
to remain + adjective (*unworkable*)

The pledges we have made in the past **remain unchanged**.  
to remain + adjective (*unchanged*)

Online betting may **remain illegal** amid addiction fears.  
to remain + adjective (*illegal*)

Apple did not **remain silent** about what it thinks about its scrum with the FBI.  
to remain + adjective (*silent*)

A Federal Reserve survey of loan officers suggested that banks will **remain tight-fisted** for some time.  
to remain + adjective (*tight-fisted*)

Interest rates and inflation look set to **remain low** for some time.

to remain + adjective (*low*)

Many social workers and teachers, however, **remain uncomfortable**.

to remain + adjective (*uncomfortable*)

Interest rates may **remain low** for quite some time.

to remain + adjective (*low*)

However, interest rates still **remain extremely low** by historical standards.

to remain + adjective (*low*)

More important, China's slowdown **remains manageable**.

to remain + adjective (*manageable*)

The price of raw materials often **remains stable** or declines when rates rise.

to remain + adjective (*stable*)

Consumers **remain optimistic** about the economy.

to remain + adjective (*optimistic*)

Chinese consumers **remain hungry** for iPhones, for example.

to remain + adjective (*hungry*)

The risks from nuclear energy **remain unchanged**.

to remain + adjective (*unchanged*)

General news is likely to **remain free** on the internet.

to remain + adjective (*free*)

Low oil prices **remain good** for the US economy as a whole.

to remain + adjective (*good*)

Saudi Arabia also assumes oil prices **remain low**, which experts consider likely for the time being.

to remain + adjective (*low*)

The growth picture **remains two-sided**.

to remain + adjective (*two-sided*)

Their biggest challenge **remains unresolved**.

to remain + adjective (*unresolved*)

The international situation **remains complex**.

to remain + adjective (*complex*)

Consumers will adopt voice computing even if such issues **remain unresolved**.



to remain + adjective (*unresolved*)

Interest rates on mortgages and other kinds of loans, and on savings accounts and other kinds of investments, are likely to **remain low** for years to come.

to remain + adjective (*low*)

Cash allows us to **remain anonymous** during day-to-day transactions.

to remain + adjective (*anonymous*)

The hackers **remain undetected** but are believed to have so far gathered only \$42,000 in ransom payments from about 100 victims.

to remain + adjective (*undetected*)

Bank rate, at 0.5pc for more than six years, looks set to **remain fixed** until well into 2017.

to remain + adjective (*fixed*)

Tokyo stocks are expected to **remain volatile** this week over concerns about continuing drop in oil prices.

to remain + adjective (*volatile*)

Consumers put off purchases on the expectation that prices would **remain flat**.

to remain + adjective (*flat*)

### **to ring + adjective**

The argument that 'bigger is better' rarely **rings true** for consumers.

to ring + adjective (*true*)

### **to run + adjective**

Rivers are **running dry**, and reservoirs stand half-empty.

to run + adjective (*dry*)

When the river starts **running dry**, people start looking for water elsewhere.

to run + adjective (*dry*)

Corruption **runs so deep** that it is hard to eliminate.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

While consumers may unknowingly use a handful of cloud-based services, their concerns over privacy and security **run high**.

to run + adjective (*high*)

Public antipathy towards Mr. Trump **runs deep**, which raises the costs of doing business with him.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

Passionate opposition to the war in Iraq has long **run deep** in the UK.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

The idea that the EU brings peace, stability and collaboration **runs deep** in Germany.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

Yet concern **runs deep** about the pace of reform to improve governance.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

Malaysia's problem **run deep**.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

The association between Easter and eggs **runs deep**.

to run + adjective (*deep*)

It is fair to say that emotions are **running high** on both sides.

to run + adjective (*high*)

### **to sit + adjective**

Time spent **sitting still** can heighten the likelihood of serious ills.

to sit + adjective (*still*)

Agencies accustomed to driving the agenda are **sitting idle**.

to sit + adjective (*idle*)

We are **sitting** almost **idle** as there are no buyers.

to sit + adjective (*idle*)

Young workforce may **sit idle** during power cuts.

to sit + adjective (*idle*)

Although new apartment complexes typically take time to lease up, many units have been **sitting empty** longer than normal.

to sit + adjective (*empty*)

Plants and equipment are **sitting idle**.

to sit + adjective (*idle*)

Cars that now **sit idle** could become much more active.

to sit + adjective (*idle*)

We will just **sit tight** before we move out.

to sit + adjective (*tight*)

They will **sit tight** and wait for more data.

to sit + adjective (*tight*)

### **to smell + adjective**

Central banks say there is nothing to worry about, but something does not **smell right**.

to smell + adjective (*right*)

### **to sound + adjective**

Although it **sounds simple**, it is not that easy in China.

to sound + adjective (*simple*)

A \$27 billion bid **sounds big** in Japan.

to sound + adjective (*big*)

While it **sounds good**, it turns out it is not sound advice.

to sound + adjective (*good*)

Spectacular growth **sounds good**.

to sound + adjective (*good*)

The national sales pitch of Bhutan **sounds** oddly **boastful** for a shy mountain kingdom.

to sound + adjective (*boastful*)

You probably like it the way I am explaining it because it **sounds** more **sensible**.

to sound + adjective (*sensible*)

However, it **sounds appealing** to the consumers.

to sound + adjective (*appealing*)

None of this should **sound far-fetched**.

to sound + adjective (*far-fetched*)

That will **sound familiar** to others.

to sound + adjective (*familiar*)

This **sounds nebulous** but is, in fact, simple.

to sound + adjective (*nebulous*)

That all **sounds nice** but it could all just end up as pretty promises.

to sound + adjective (*nice*)

This dynamic may not **sound** very **new**.

to sound + adjective (*new*)

It does not **sound** very **romantic**: Costs go down and accuracy goes up.

to sound + adjective (*romantic*)

The federal government's wait-and-see policy **sounds prudent**; in fact it is irresponsible.

to sound + adjective (*prudent*)

Getting rid of big banknotes is not as **easy** as it **sounds**.

to sound + adjective (*easy*)

These measures may **sound dramatic** and possibly **impractical**, but there is data to suggest they are needed.

to sound + adjective (*dramatic, impractical*)

That **sounds impressive**, but it brought shareholders relatively little to cheer.

to sound + adjective (*impressive*)

It **sounds nice** to focus on people's potential rather than their past performance.

to sound + adjective (*nice*)

While low prices may **sound good**, they also signal weak demand.

to sound + adjective (*good*)

While it may **sound straightforward**, this study will be something of a breakthrough itself.

to sound + adjective (*straightforward*)

That may **sound great** if the changes prevent a person from developing lung cancer.

to sound + adjective (*great*)

That **sounds great**, and it does make some sense.

to sound + adjective (*great*)

The situation might **sound humorous**, but it reflects more than just a difference of one hour.

to sound + adjective (*humorous*)

It **sounds appealing** to me.

to sound + adjective (*appealing*)

It might **sound strange** to them that we do not trust them with making health decisions.

to sound + adjective (*strange*)

Running away may **sound** rather **extreme** but it turns out to be popular.

to sound + adjective (*extreme*)

The goal **sounds** less **realistic** in light of the price cuts.

to sound + adjective (*realistic*)

It may all **sound simple**, yet some chains have flopped.

to sound + adjective (*simple*)

Giving a Chinese person a clock as a gift is unthinkable; the Chinese words for “clock” and “funeral ritual” **sound similar**.

to sound + adjective (*similar*)

This all **sounds fanciful**, but there is evidence that it works.

to sound + adjective (*fanciful*)

Lawmakers also must avoid wasting time and money with changes that **sound tough** but will not stand up in court.

to sound + adjective (*tough*)

If that **sounds** a little **far-fetched**, that is the point.

to sound + adjective (*far-fetched*)

As a strategy for global domination, it **sounds underwhelming**.

to sound + adjective (*underwhelming*)

If this kind of communal setup **sounds appealing** to you, forget all the legalese for a second.

to sound + adjective (*appealing*)

That does not **sound** radically **different** from how food-to-detergent companies have always fiddled with their best sellers.

to sound + adjective (*different*)

On paper it does not **sound** so **bad**: on average, unicorn IPOs were up 10% by the end of the year.

to sound + adjective (*bad*)

"Smart gun" technology **sounds** most **promising** to those who know least about guns.

to sound + adjective (*promising*)

## **stand + adjective**

Rivers are running dry, and reservoirs **stand half-empty**.

to stand + adjective (*half-empty*)

Never be satisfied with **standing still**.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

The new district **stood empty** for years, a symbol of ill-planned extravagance.

to stand + adjective (*empty*)

The company could still end up running very hard just to **stand still**.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

As Wales shows, devolution can also be used to keep things **standing still**.

This attitude is not limited to Cambridge's student population.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

They need to **stand firm** on pay ratios.

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

Admittedly, we might **stand vulnerable** to terrorist attacks.

to stand + adjective (*vulnerable*)

Apple is **standing firm** for now and has received support from other technology giants.

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

The EU agrees to **stand firm** against Russia.

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

Commerzbank may be doing the right things, but it is running ever harder just to **stand still**.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

Emerging markets **stand united** at BRICS summit.

to stand + adjective (*united*)

Retailing does not **stand still** and we need to challenge the business to move with the time.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

Amazon **stands firm** on sales tax collection.

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

It is a cliché of trade policy that you need to keep moving to **stand still**.

to stand + adjective (*idle*)

English roses are not **standing still**.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

While Britain heads for the EU exit door uncertain of what it is doing, the EU's remaining 27 **stand strong** and united in diversity.

to stand + adjective (*strong*)

As banks have adapted to the crisis and its aftermath with varying degrees of success, the rest of the world has not **stood still**.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

We should simply **stand firm**, take control of the situation and handle it calmly.”

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

On the country's outskirts, apartment blocks **stand empty**.

to stand + adjective (*empty*)

**Standing still**, however, has not been the American way.

to stand + adjective (*still*)

German Chancellor Angela Merkel **stood firm** on Monday on her refugee policy.

to stand + adjective (*firm*)

### **to stay + adjective**

The US unemployment rate is likely to **stay high** for years.

to stay + adjective (*high*)

Subaru Corp. is betting big on **staying small**.

to stay + adjective (*small*)

Inflation and interest rates have **stayed low**.

to stay + adjective (*low*)

It is hard to **stay angry** when there is good news.

to stay + adjective (*angry*)

The winds are making so many bad noises; we are just doing our best to **stay calm**.

to stay + adjective (*calm*)

Monetary policy in the euro zone will **stay easy**.

to stay + adjective (*easy*)

The yuan has **stayed stable** against a basket of currencies.

to stay + adjective (*stable*)

The public offering stands as evidence that Snap wants to **stay independent**.

to stay + adjective (*independent*)

We just **stay busy** all the time, and we are sure that helps.

to stay + adjective (*busy*)

All that is really clear is that in digital form, no one's secrets **stay secret**.

to stay + adjective (*secret*)

The UK's latest report sets out in detail the way ahead for the industry to **stay competitive**.

to stay + adjective (*competitive*)

Until now, the Eurozone has not seen a similar swing in rates as short-term rates have **stayed low** – or even **negative** in some markets – while the ECB has been engaged in aggressive QE (quantitative easing).

to stay + adjective (*low, negative*)

Even if they **stay steady**, overall profits should get a boost so long as sales increase.

to stay + adjective (*steady*)

In order to people with diabetes to **stay healthy**, they must continually check their blood sugar and adjust it with insulin or snacks.

to stay + adjective (*healthy*)

Moody's fears that if interest rates **stay low** for another four years, loss-making insurers will eat into their capital buffers.

to stay + adjective (*low*)

The ability of chickens to **stay warm** in winter has inspired a new energy-efficient home insulation product.

to stay + adjective (*warm*)

The college administration has worked hard to **stay small**: the student population has rarely topped 350.

to stay + adjective (*small*)

The interest income from their investment portfolios could **stay so low** for so long.

to stay + adjective (*low*)



There are several things travelers can do to **stay safe**.  
to stay + adjective (*safe*)

The impact on the company's reputation with car-buyers has been less severe than predicted: sales and profits have **stayed strong**.  
to stay + adjective (*strong*)

Ultimately, things paid off for investors who **stayed long** and **stayed strong**.  
to stay + adjective (*long, strong*)

It is about moving forward all the time and not **staying still**.  
to stay + adjective (*still*)

Shareholders looking for the best returns trump the wishes of management who want to **stay independent**.  
to stay + adjective (*independent*)

Brussels airport **stays closed** as police strike over security.  
to stay + adjective (*closed*)

Ensuring that these ecosystems **stay healthy** is getting harder as the oceans absorb excess carbon dioxide.  
to stay + adjective (*healthy*)

As long as Cuba **stays poor** and **despotic**, the tradition will thrive.  
to stay + adjective (*poor, despotic*)

Profits tend to **stay steadier** for companies that sell everyday items to consumers.  
to stay + adjective (*steadier*)

Today's firms are **staying private** for longer.  
to stay + adjective (*private*)

How long will Obama **stay silent** on genocide?  
to stay + adjective (*silent*)

Some analysts expect oil prices to **stay strong** into early 2017.  
to stay + adjective (*strong*)

We are going to **stay united** in NATO, which is the world's strongest alliance.  
to stay + adjective (*united*)

If demand **stays low**, Mengniu Dairy will have to write down more inventories on its books.

to stay + adjective (*low*)

The night shift has become so common that some karaoke bars in Manila **stay open** around the clock.

to stay + adjective (*open*)

The chancellor therefore cannot **stay silent** on this issue.

to stay + adjective (*silent*)

Lots of people who end their formal careers may opt to work part time for pocket money or volunteer to **stay active**.

to stay + adjective (*active*)

The only voters who mainly **stayed loyal** to Mrs. Clinton were high-earners and those aged 65 and over.

to stay + adjective (*loyal*)

Consumer prices will **stay lower** for longer due to oil price weakness and limited earnings growth

to stay + adjective (*lower*)

Although the cars require drivers to **stay alert**, this remains blurred territory.

to stay + adjective (*alert*)

Now the sales have leveled but **stay very good**.

to stay + adjective (*good*)

Nonetheless, the debate will **stay hot** for the coming years.

to stay + adjective (*hot*)

The key message is to **stay calm** and avoid taking risks.

to stay + adjective (*calm*)

However, many bankers think that greater consolidation could occur if rates **stay low** for a protracted period.

to stay + adjective (*low*)

If Europe is going to **stay safe**, it will need a coherent, transnational plan of action.

to stay + adjective (*safe*)

Some bank branches now **stay open** until 8pm to cater to people who work late.

to stay + adjective (*open*)

### **to taste + adjective**

Chefs are artists at heart, and they want the food to look good, not just **taste good**.

to taste + adjective (*good*)

We have been throwing away this perfectly good coffee fruit for a long time, and there is no real reason for it, because it **tastes delicious**.

to taste + adjective (*delicious*)

### **to turn + adjective**

China's external demand is more likely to **turn worse** in the coming months.

to turn + adjective (*worse*)

As exports have slipped, the mood in Germany has **turned glum**.

to turn + adjective (*glum*)

The phony war may soon **turn hotter**.

to turn + adjective (*hotter*)

Far from taking a softer line on Brexit Britain, Denmark is **turning hard**.

to turn + adjective (*hard*)

Financial markets have **turned volatile** in the past week ahead of the Fed's decision.

to turn + adjective (*volatile*)

In Europe and Japan, interest rates have **turned negative**, something long thought impossible.

to turn + adjective (*negative*)

Here is a safe prediction for 2017: Greece's debt crisis will **turn ugly** again.

to turn + adjective (*ugly*)

Their only alternative to stashing large pots of cash is safe and liquid government bonds, whose yields have also **turned negative**.

to turn + adjective (*negative*)

It is important for earnings to **turn positive** now to justify lofty stock prices.

to turn + adjective (*positive*)

If a UK recession, however mild or brief, lies ahead, banks will see more loans **turn sour** while consumers' appetite for fresh debt will shrink.

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

Its continued popularity is dependent on the weather, and it will fade when the weather **turns cold**.

to turn + adjective (*cold*)

In the final days of this campaign, that divide has **turned ugly**.

to turn + adjective (*ugly*)

It is fairly common for interest rates to **turn negative** on an inflation-adjusted basis.

to turn + adjective (*negative*)

It is possible loans will **turn sour** if pressed borrowers cannot repay.

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

Investors have **turned** deeply **cautious** about tech startups in recent months.

to turn + adjective (*cautious*)

In April 2014, three men were shot when a drug deal **turned sour** on a tree-lined residential street in Baltimore.

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

When the financial crisis **turned nasty** in 2008, central banks were handed the responsibility for cleaning up the mess.

to turn + adjective (*nasty*)

Loans could **turn bad**, funding could dry up, or both could happen at once.

to turn + adjective (*bad*)

The battle for the world's biggest mobile-payment market is **turning cutthroat**.

to turn + adjective (*cutthroat*)

Cash flow **turned negative** partly because payables fell.

to turn + adjective (*negative*)

Foreign investors have **turned** more **optimistic** about the outlook for the nation's equities than their mainland counterparts.

to turn + adjective (*optimistic*)

If things **turn sour**, the blame will be heaped not on Brexit, but on the obstructionist EU.

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

China's once-placid currency has **turned stormy**.

to turn + adjective (*stormy*)

In Germany, government-bond yields have **turned negative** for terms of up to eight years.

to turn + adjective (*negative*)

Views have **turned** markedly more **positive** since companies started beating estimates.

to turn + adjective (*positive*)

There is still plenty of potential for negotiations to **turn sour**

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

When excessive risk **turns sour**, it is the taxpayer who suffers.

to turn + adjective (*sour*)

If China responds to its slowdown by exporting deflation to the rest of the global economy then things could quickly **turn nasty**.

to turn + adjective (*nasty*)