

Vocabulary

1. Replace each word or expression in bold with a suitable expression below. Make any necessary changes.

break down • pick up • make waves
cut down • vanish into thin air • bring up

1. She learned photography on her own, without any formal training. **picked up**
2. Many people could easily **decrease** the amount of water they use. **cut down**
3. When the boy saw his injured puppy, he began to cry. **broke down**
4. I don't want to **cause problems**, so I won't complain. **make waves**
5. The suspect seemed to **disappear** while the police were chasing him. **vanish into thin air**
6. Why did you start to talk about my party in front of Donna? I asked you not to! **bring up**

2. Complete the passage with the words and expressions below.

carbon footprint • bellies • amount
a drop in the ocean • renewable energy
fuel • environmentally-friendly

People who work out at Central Gym in Hong Kong are not only trimming fat from their ¹ **bellies**, they're also a source of ² **renewable energy** that helps provide power to the gym. Specially-designed exercise machines capture the electrical energy produced by exercisers, which then becomes ³ **fuel** to power the lights above the machines. Excess energy is stored in a battery. Of course, the ⁴ **amount** of energy that's created by these ⁵ **environmentally-friendly** workouts is only ⁶ **a drop in the ocean** compared to the amount of electricity the gym uses. But researchers hope that eventually, human-powered energy will be much more widely and efficiently captured and used. So, what could be better than increasing your fitness while reducing your ⁷ **carbon footprint**?

Grammar

3. Complete the sentences with the correct form of a modal or modal perfect and the verbs in brackets. There may be more than one correct answer.

1. I think we **should ask** (ask) Lynne for help. She knows a lot about computers.
2. She **shouldn't have/ needn't have prepared** (prepare) so much food. Nobody was very hungry.
3. **I would have called** (call) you sooner, but I was busy.
4. **Can/May/ Could** I **have** (have) some water, please?
5. **Would** you **like** (like) to join us?
6. Nobody **could have predicted** (predict) his reaction. He really surprised us.

4. Write sentences with the words below. Use the correct form of *should* or *had better*.

1. I don't think Ellen looks good with short hair. She / let / her hair / grow / long / again
She should let her hair grow long again.
2. You'll fail the course unless you finish the project on time. We / work / on / it / today
We had better work on it today.
3. David's not feeling well. He / go / out / tonight
He shouldn't go out tonight.

Writing

5. Rewrite the sentence below using formal language. There may be more than one correct answer.

I really think you've got to do something really fast to solve this problem.

Possible Answer

In my opinion, something must be done quickly in order to solve this problem.

6. Rewrite the sentence using parallel structures.

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