

5 Ways to Use "Get" in English

A Phrasal Verb Lesson

Our Method

Step 1

Listen to a real Conversation



Step 2

Focus on New Vocabulary Words



Step 3

Listen to a dialogue



Step 6

Practice with a native speaker



Step 5

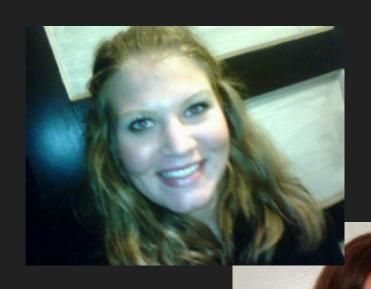
Use Your New Skills



Step 4

Focus on phrases

Step 1: How Did You Get Through this Winter?

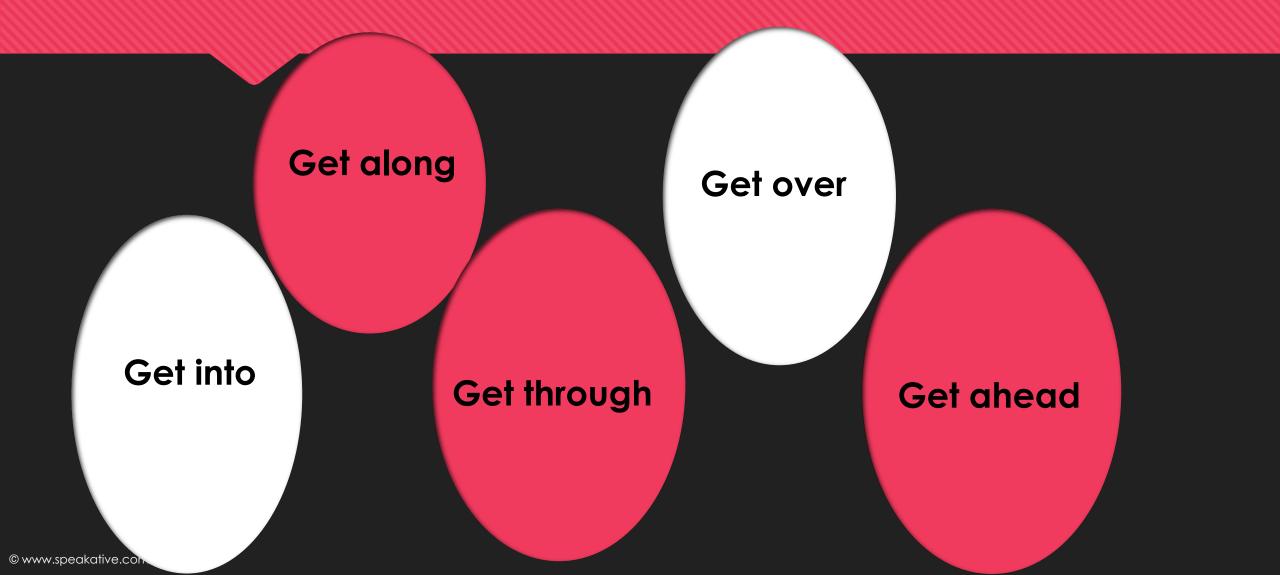


Please listen to Audio Step 1-How Did You Get Through this Winter?

"Get" is one of the most common verbs in the English language. Find out how it is used in 5 different situations in this conversation.

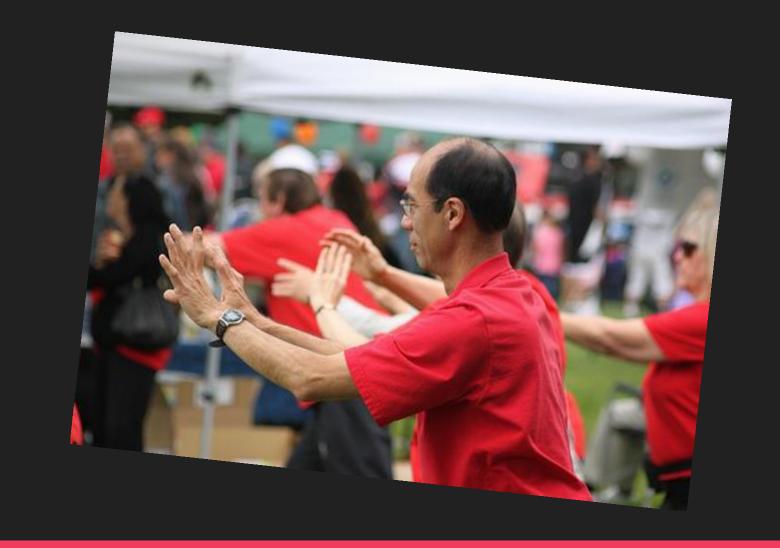
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Step 2: Focus on New Vocabulary Words



Get into

Phrasal verb



To begin to pursue a hobby or a career field, to enter

"How did you get into tai chi?"

Get ahead

Phrasal verb



To advance in a specific field or competitive area

"A good education can help you get ahead in the workforce"

Get along

Phrasal verb



To have a good relationship with someone

"Do you get along with your younger brother?"

Get through

Phrasal verb



To survive a difficult situation, to overcome

"I don't know how we got through this winter."

Get over

Phrasal verb



To overcome, to stop feeling bad about something or concerned about something

"It took her 2 months to get over her boyfriend when he dumped her."

Step 3: Do You Get Along with Your Colleagues?

Listen to a new employee describe her new workplace in this conversation.

Listen to Audio Steps 3 and 4-Do You Get Along with Your Colleagues?



Step 4: Focus on the Vocabulary Phrases

Learn the new vocabulary in context!

Please open Transcript
Steps 3 and 4 – Do You Get
Along with your
Colleagues?

- O "Did you get through your first week?"
- O "Do you get along with your colleagues?"
- O "A lot of them are trying to get ahead in their careers."
- "I realized that I was missing out on time with my family and I got over it."
- O "How did you get into your field by the way?"

Bonus! Say It Another Way!

Learn how to say the phrases in a different way!

Click on the file "Say It Another Way"

Step 5: Use Your New Skills

A: Hey I'm sorry to hear about your breakup. Are you ok?

B: Yeah, I'm feeling better.

A: How did you __1__ (overcome) it?

Get over

Get along

A: How do you like your roommate? Do you two __2__ (have a good relationship)

B: Yeah, pretty much. I am lucky.

Get ahead

Get through

A: How can I ___3__ (advance) in my field?

B: You could go to more conferences and do a lot of networking.

A: Oh great idea. I think I'll try that.

Get into

Answers to Step 5 Quiz

- 1) Get over it?
- 2) Get along?
- 3) Get ahead

Get into







Prepare Your Vocabulary Cards



Get over

Get ahead



Get along



Step 6: Practice with a Native

What is your current career field? How did you get into that field? Did someone or some event influence you to get into it? What have you done in the last year to get ahead in your field? (networking, taking on extra projects, etc.)

Bonus Conversation 1: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

A: (student) What do you do for work?

B: I am a wedding photographer.

A: Oh nice! How did you ____ (get into) that?

B: My brother introduced me to photography when I was ten and I have been doing it ever since.

A: So you have your own business huh? That must be tough. How do you _____ (get ahead) in your market?

B: I have created my own niche. I only photograph intercultural weddings so there's not much competition.

A: Oh sounds great!

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Practice with a Native

- O When you first met your spouse or partner, did you **get along** immediately? Did the two of you **get through** a lot of arguments or challenges when you first started dating? Please share some examples if you want.
- O Have you ever gotten your heart broken? How did you get over it?

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

- A: (student) So did you ____ (get along) with your partner when you first met him or her?
- B: No, we used to fight a lot, but then we faced a huge challenge together and we _____ (got through) it and that made our relationship stronger.
- A: Oh that's nice. And have you ever experienced real heartbreak in a different relationship?
- B: Yes, only once but it took me 3 months to _____ (get over) it.

Answers to Bonus Conversation 2

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

A: (student) So did you communicate well with your partner when you first met him or her?

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Practice with a Native

- O Please discuss one big, challenging event that you have **gotten through** in your life. How did you get through it? How did that challenge shape you as a person? How did it make you smarter and stronger for the future?
- What types of people do you get along with? Why? How is that type of personality similar to or different from your own personality?
- O Please name one new hobby or activity that you have gotten into in the last few years. Why did you decide to get into it? How has it changed your life?
- O Describe the season that has the most intense weather in your home country. Please give three pieces of advice to help someone **get through** that season in your country.

Practice with a Native

O Name one successful person that you admire. How did that person **get ahead?** What can you learn from him or her?

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