

What are the first symptoms of a person running into a credit card trap?	<i>The first symptoms of a person running into a credit card trap are when they start to pay off one card with another.</i>
Would you cheat if you were up to your ears in debt?	<i>Yes, I'd cheat if I were up to my ears in debt.</i>
What may happen to a company that has enormous debts?	<i>A company that has enormous debts may go broke.</i>
Do we all owe a debt to our parents for bringing us up?	<i>Yes, we all owe a debt to our parents for bringing us up.</i>

ape [eɪp]
monkey ['mʌŋki]
descend [dɪ'send]
be descended from [dɪ'sendɪd frɒm]
descend to [dɪ'send tə]
tail [teɪl]

sit on somebody's tail follow somebody's car closely

Which animal has got a tail: a monkey or an ape?	<i>A monkey has got a tail.</i>
Would you say that apes were relatively intelligent?	<i>Yes, I'd say that apes were relatively intelligent.</i>
Do you believe we're descended from apes?	<i>Yes, I believe we're descended from apes.</i>
Is your family descended from someone famous? From whom?	<i>Yes, my family's descended from someone famous. It's descended from King George.</i>
Why do you think politicians so often descend to personal attacks?	<i>I think politicians so often descend to personal attacks because they lack the intelligence and education to think of proper arguments.</i>
Had you better descend wet stairs carefully if you don't want to fall down?	<i>Yes, you had better descend wet stairs carefully if you don't want to fall down.</i>



What does it mean ‘to sit on somebody’s tail’?
 Why do you think drivers in some countries like to sit on somebody’s tail so much?

*‘To sit on somebody’s tail’ means to follow somebody’s car closely.
 I think drivers in some countries like to sit on somebody’s tail so much because they don’t want other drivers to jump into the space in front of them.*

disaster [di'zɑ:stə]
earthquake ['ɜ:θkweɪk]
flood [flʌd]
famine ['fæmɪn]
starve [stɑ:v]

What’s an earthquake?

An earthquake’s a sudden shaking of the earth’s surface.

Can losing a job be a disaster?

Yes, losing a job can be a disaster.

What has been the most serious disaster in your country till now?

The flood in 1997 has been the most serious disaster in my country till now.

Which disaster caused many Irishmen to leave Ireland for the USA in the 19th century?

The disaster which caused many Irishmen to leave Ireland for the USA in the 19th century was the potato famine.

Why do people still starve to death in so many areas of the world?

People still starve to death in so many areas of the world because of such disasters as floods or famine.

Is the market in your country flooded with cheap Chinese goods?

Yes, the market in my country’s flooded with cheap Chinese goods.

What kind of things make people flood newspapers with letters?

The behaviour of politicians / local affairs make people flood newspapers with letters.

Have you ever been to a party that turned out to be a complete disaster?

Yes, I’ve been to a party that turned out to be a complete disaster.

What happened?

Two men got seriously drunk and started arguing loudly.

Do some people starve themselves in order to lose weight?

Yes, some people starve themselves in order to lose weight.