

Small problems. Useful replies.

Try the tasks before you turn to the key.

1. Choose the phrase for each situation.

find out · call off · come up with · put off · run out of

Use each phrase once. Write the whole phrase.

1. The talk will not happen. There is no new date.

2. The trip is next Friday instead of tomorrow.

3. There is no paper left in the printer.

4. You need to know what time the shop closes.

5. You need a new idea for a club activity.

2. Repair one small mistake in each reply.

6. Let's put off it. → _____

7. Can you come up a plan? → _____

8. We've run out milk. → _____

3. Reply in your notebook. Use two phrases and suggest a next step.

FROM A FRIEND

The café is closed today. Where shall we meet?

Check, then try again

Your reply can be different from the example.

1. The phrase and the reason

1 • **call off**

The talk is cancelled.

2 • **put off**

The trip will happen later.

3 • **run out of**

There is none left.

4 • **find out**

You need information.

5 • **come up with**

You need an idea.

2. Small repairs

6. Let's **put it off**. Put the pronoun between put and off.

7. Can you **come up with** a plan? Keep with.

8. We've **run out of** milk. Keep of before the thing.

3. One possible reply

Let's find out whether the library café is open. Then we won't need to put off our meeting. I can call them now.

Check: two phrases used correctly, a sensible plan and one next step.