

S01E32 | STUDENT | Vocabulary choices

Another way to say it

Suggested B1-B2 | Adults and teens | About 15-20 minutes

1. What is changing?

- A:** It is hot in here.
B: Hot works. You could also say boiling if you mean extremely hot.
A: Hot is enough for me. Shall we open a window?

Was hot wrong? Does A have to use boiling? What extra meaning does boiling add?

2. A correction or another choice?

For each reply, decide: does it fix an error, or offer another choice? Explain the difference.

- 1.** A: I am agree with you. B: Say I agree with you. Leave out am.
- 2.** A: I am tired. B: That works. If you mean very tired, you could say I am exhausted.
- 3.** A: I bought a big bag. B: That works. If it was extremely big, you could say I bought an enormous bag.

3. Find the words that fit

Choose a sentence for each situation. Explain your choice. Could the other sentence fit a different situation?

Situation	Two possible sentences
You feel a little tired after a short walk. You still want to go out.	I am tired. / I am exhausted.
You need to use your friend's pen and will return it.	Can I borrow your pen? / Can I lend your pen?

4. Tell it your way

Tell a partner about a day, a place or something you bought. You may invent it. Your partner asks a question before offering one new expression. Check any new words with your teacher.

- Partner:** You said Do you mean ... ?
Speaker: Yes, very ... / No, only a little
Partner: Your sentence works. You could also say ... if
Speaker: That fits because ... / I will keep ... because

Swap roles. After feedback, tell a new detail. Choose the words you mean; a stronger word is not always better. Your partner says what they understood. Check together.

Optional homework: keep one correct sentence and add an alternative. Write when each fits. Try one in a new conversation next lesson.