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Examples 1 - 200

abuse	He showed how the rich and powerful can abuse their position.
accomplish	They are skeptical about how much will be accomplished by legislation.
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advice	Your community officer can give you advice on how to prevent crime in your area...
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approach	Employers are interested in how you approach problems.
argument	Anny described how she got into an argument with one of the marchers.
arrest	The work of an architect of genius always arrests the attention no matter how little remains...
artistic	Mary's got it all so nice—you remember how artistic she always was with colors.
ask	How is Frank?' he asked...
assess	Ask them to send you information on how to assess the

value of your belongings...

- attractive** Most of us would maintain that physical attractiveness does not play a major part in **how** we react to the people we meet.
- babble** Momma babbled on and on about **how** he was ruining me...
- back^1** Going back to the school, **how** many staff are there?
- bad** `How are you, mate?'—`Not bad, mate, how's yourself?' ...
- bad** `How much is he paying you?'—`Oh, five thousand.'—`Not bad.' ...
- badly off** It is outrageous that people doing well-paid jobs should moan about **how** badly off they are.
- baggage** **How** much emotional baggage is he bringing with him into the relationship?
- bail out** They will discuss **how** to bail the economy out of its slump...
- bake** **How** did you learn to bake cakes?...
- bandy about** Young players now hear various sums bandied around about **how** much players are getting.
- beforehand** **How** could she tell beforehand that I was going to go out?...
- begin** He didn't know **how** to begin.
- begin** You can't begin to imagine **how** much that saddens me.
- better** `I came to ask your advice—no, to ask for your help.'—`That's better. And **how** can I help you?'
- bite** Any dog bite, no matter **how** small, needs immediate medical attention.
- blunder** People wanted to know **how** they had blundered into war, and **how** to avoid it in future.
- blur** ...her belief that scientists are trying to blur the

distinction between `how' and `why' questions...

- body ...that large body of people which teaches other people **how** to teach.
- break down These rules tell us **how** a sentence is broken down into phrases.
- broad Broadly, it makes connections between ideas about healing and **how** they link to plants.
- bruise **How** did you get that bruise on your cheek?...
- budget I'm learning **how** to budget.
- build **How** much delay should we build into the plan?
- business plan She learned **how** to write a business plan for the catering business she wanted to launch.
- calibrate ...instructions on **how** to calibrate a thermometer.
- can^1 You can't think **how** glad I was to see them all go...
- can^1 **How** can you expect me to believe your promises?
- can^1 **How** can you complain about higher taxes?...
- can^1 **How** can you say such a thing?...
- careless I'm sorry. **How** careless of me...
- case^1 They know **how** everything works—or doesn't work, as the case may be.
- Catch-22 It's a Catch 22 situation here. Nobody wants to support you until you're successful, but without the support **how** can you ever be successful?
- change We are trying to detect and understand **how** the climates change...
- child **How** are the children?...
- chilling He described in chilling detail **how** he attacked her during one of their frequent rows.
- claim Barbara Follett's greatest claim to fame is that she taught Labour MPs **how** to look good on television.
- clear Our therapists will show you **how** to clear your mind of

worries.

- colour-blind** What exactly is colour-blindness and **how** do you find out if you have it?
- combine** The Church has something to say on **how** to combine freedom with responsibility...
- come** **How** did you come to meet him?
- come by** **How** did you come by that cheque?...
- come off** Some Democrats still have bitter memories of **how**, against all odds, they came off worst during the inquiry...
- come on** Lee is coming on very well now and it's a matter of deciding **how** to fit him into the team...
- communicate** Family therapy showed us **how** to communicate with each other.
- compare** **How** do the two techniques compare in terms of application?
- compare** Note **how** smooth the skin of the upper arm is, then compare it to the skin on the elbow.
- compromising** **How** had this compromising picture come into the possession of the press?
- compunction** He has no compunction about relating **how** he killed his father.
- conceptualize** **How** we conceptualize things has a lot to do with what we feel...
- concern** **How** they are paid should be of little concern to the bank as long as they are paid.
- concern** ...a story that illustrates **how** dangerous excessive concern with safety can be.
- conclusion** I have tried to give some idea of **how** I feel—other people will no doubt draw their own conclusions.
- condense** We have learnt **how** to condense serious messages into short, self-contained sentences...

configure	How easy was it to configure the software?
confront	We are learning how to confront death...
confuse	I can't see how anyone could confuse you with another!
conjecture	The attitudes of others were matters of conjecture although there were plenty of rumours about how individuals had behaved.
consider	Consider how much you can afford to pay for a course, and what is your upper limit.
consult	Consult your doctor about how much exercise you should attempt...
contact	They compared how these organisms behaved when left in contact with different materials...
converse	What you do for a living is critical to where you settle and how you live - and the converse is also true.
cook	...some basic instructions on how to cook a turkey...
co-operate	The couple spoke about how they would co-operate in the raising of their child...
co-ordinate	She'll show you how to co-ordinate pattern and colours...
cope	It was amazing how my mother coped with bringing up three children on less than three pounds a week...
cost	...training days for charity staff on how to draw up contracts and cost out proposals...
could	How could you allow him to do something like that?...
could	How could she do this to me?...
cover up	How do we know you're not just covering up for your friend?
critical	How you finance a business is critical to the success of your venture.
curtsy	We were taught how to curtsy to the Queen...
dad	How do you feel, Dad?...
dampener	Boy, did this woman know how to put a dampener on

your day.

- dare** **How** dare you pick up the phone and listen in on my conversations!...
- day** ...this story about **how** he saved the day at his daughter's birthday party...
- de-** ...**how** to decontaminate industrial waste sites.
- debt** **How** can I accumulate enough cash to get out of debt?
- deep** **How** deep did the snow get?
- demonstrate** He's demonstrated **how** a campaign based on domestic issues can move votes.
- demonstrate** A style consultant will demonstrate **how** to dress to impress.
- demonstration** This is a clear demonstration of **how** technology has changed...
- depend** 'But **how** long can you stay in the house?'—'I don't know. It depends.'...
- depend** **How** much it costs depends upon **how** much you buy.
- de-stress** I make sure I make time for fishing because it's **how** I de-stress.
- detail** See the bottom of this page for details of **how** to apply for this exciting offer...
- develop** It's hard to say at this stage **how** the market will develop...
- dictate** Of course, a number of factors will dictate **how** long an apple tree can survive...
- difference** The two communities are learning **how** to resolve their differences.
- different** If he'd attended music school, **how** might things have been different?...
- disagree** You must continue to see them no matter **how** much you may disagree with them...

disciplined	For me it meant being very disciplined about how I run my life...
discover	They discovered how to form the image in a thin layer on the surface.
discuss	The cabinet met today to discuss how to respond to the ultimatum.
dissociate	Almost the first lesson they learn is how to dissociate emotion from reason.
distribute	We didn't understand how difficult it was to distribute a national paper.
division	I taught my daughter how to do division at the age of six.
divorced	This just shows how divorced from reality she's become.
do^1	I had fantasies, as do all mothers, about how life would be when my girls were grown...
do^2	How did I do?
dreaded	No one knew how to treat this dreaded disease.
dunno	` How on earth did she get it?'—`I dunno.'
earth	How on earth did that happen?...
effective	The project looks at how we could be more effective in encouraging students to enter teacher training...
emotional	It's a very emotional issue. How can you advocate selling the ivory from elephants?
emphasize	Discuss pollution with your child, emphasizing how nice a clean street, lawn, or park looks.
enclose	The enclosed leaflet shows how Service Care can ease all your worries.
energy-efficient	...information on how to make your home more energy efficient.
engage	...a lesson in how to engage the four-wheel drive.
entertain	I feel how foolish I am to entertain doubts...
entomb	Neither of them had any idea how long the body had

been entombed.

establish It will be essential to establish **how** the money is being spent...

estimate Try to estimate **how** many steps it will take to get to a close object...

even^2 **How** important is it to have an even temperature when you're working?...

exalted You must decide **how** to make the best use of your exalted position.

exception Most people have no real idea **how** to change to healthy food, and Maureen was no exception.

experiment The astronauts are conducting a series of experiments to learn more about **how** the body adapts to weightlessness...

explain Professor Griffiths explained **how** the drug appears to work...

face^1 You have to wonder **how** anyone could say that seriously and with a straight face.

face^1 It is, on the face of it, difficult to see **how** the West could radically change its position.

fact **How** much was fact and **how** much fancy no one knew.

faculty **How** can faculty improve their teaching so as to encourage creativity?

fade No matter **how** soft the light is, it still plays havoc, fading carpets and curtains in every room.

faintest I haven't the faintest idea **how** to care for a snake...

fair I have a fair idea of **how** difficult things can be.

far You can only judge **how** high something is when you know **how** far away it is...

far **How** far did the film tell the truth about Barnes Wallis?...

far **How** far can you throw?...

- far Think of **how** far we have come in a little time...
- far **How** far is it to Malcy?...
- far It's still not clear **how** far the Russian parliament will go to implement its own plans...
- far **How** far is Pawtucket from Providence?...
- far You can only judge how high something is when you know **how** far away it is...
- far out Fantasies cannot harm you, no matter **how** bizarre or far out they are.
- fast **How** fast were you driving?...
- fast **How** fast would the disease develop?
- fast The only question is **how** fast the process will be.
- fasten There were no instructions on **how** to fasten the carrying strap to the box...
- fault It is a big fault to think that you can learn **how** to manage people in business school.
- fecund It has now become clear **how** extraordinarily fecund a decade was the 1890s.
- fee Find out **how** much your surveyor's and solicitor's fees will be.
- feel Feel **how** soft the skin is in the small of the back...
- fight I told him **how** we had fought to hold on to the company...
- figure It would be very nice if we had a true figure of **how** many people in this country haven't got a job...
- figure out It took them about one month to figure out **how** to start the equipment...
- find **How** could anyone find pleasure in hunting and killing this beautiful creature?...
- fit^1 Fostering is a full-time job and you should carefully consider **how** it will fit into your career...

fit into	It's hard to see how he would fit into the team.
flake	They can see how its colours have faded and where paint has flaked.
flash	People will be looking in to see how good we are now and whether our success has just been a flash in the pan.
flatter	...a story of how the president flattered and feted him into taking his side.
flip-flop	He seemed so sure of his decision, how could he flip-flop so dramatically now?
formula	It is difficult to imagine how the North and South could ever agree on a formula to unify the divided peninsula.
fortune	Government ministers are starting to wonder how long their good fortune can last.
freeze	...the discovery of how to freeze water at higher temperatures.
from	How far is it from here?
full	How did the meeting go, did you get your full membership?...
funny	It's funny how love can come and go.
gain	The company didn't disclose how much it expects to gain from the two deals...
gent	Mr Blake was a gent. He knew how to behave.
geriatric	... how can it be acceptable to have a load of geriatric judges deciding what should happen?
get^1	How did we get into this recession, and what can we do to get out of it?
get^1	How did you get him to pose for this picture?
get^1	No one could figure out how he got to be so wealthy.
get^3	I mean, how crazy can you get?
get away with	The criminals know how to play the system and get

away with it...

- get on When he came back to see me I asked **how** he had got on.
- get over **How** would they get over that problem, he wondered?
- get through It is hard to see **how** people will get through the winter...
- gimme `Gimme a break, kid! You know **how** much those things cost?'
- give out **How** often do you give your phone number out?
- gleeful He took an almost gleeful delight in showing **how** wrong they can be.
- go^3 **How** did it go at the hairdresser's?
- go^3 Learning **how** to become a parent takes time. It's a skill you learn as you go along.
- go about I want him back, but I just don't know **how** to go about it.
- go over I won't know **how** successful it is until an accountant has gone over the books.
- god Gunga spoke God knows **how** many languages...
- god God, **how** I hated him!...
- good-for-nothing ...a good-for-nothing fourteen-year-old son who barely knows **how** to read and count.
- grass **How** many of them are going to grass up their own kids to the police?
- gravy train We were disgusted when bosses awarded themselves a massive pay rise. **How** can they get on the gravy train, but ask us to take a wage freeze?
- gritty We have to prove **how** gritty we are.

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gross	I feel disgusted and wonder how I could ever have been so gross.
grouse	` How come we never know what's going on?' he groused...
guy	Hi, guys. How are you doing?...
habituated	People in the area are habituated to the idea of learning from the person above how to do the work...
hack	The saboteurs had demanded money in return for revealing how they hacked into the systems.
haggle	Ella taught her how to haggle with used furniture dealers...
harm	These men were never told how they'd been put in harm's way...
harmonize	How far will members have progressed towards harmonising their economies?
hazard	He could not believe that, had the Englishman known how much he was at risk, he would have hazarded his grandson.
head	It is not clear how many of them will be heading back to Saudi Arabia tomorrow...
heart	She opened her heart to millions yesterday and told how she came close to suicide.
-hearted	They are now realising just how much they owe to kind-hearted strangers...
heartstrings	She knows exactly how to tug at readers' heartstrings.
heating	I wish I knew how to turn on the heating.
heavy	How heavy are you?...
heel	It's still not clear how the president will use his power to bring the republics to heel.
helpful	They had helpfully provided us with instructions on how to find the house...
her	Talk to your baby, play games, and show her how much

you enjoy her company.

hereafter

I realised **how** hard life was going to be for me hereafter.

herself

How can anyone blame her for actions for which she feels herself to be in no way responsible?

high

Measure your garage: **how** high is the door?

hiya

Hiya. **How** are you?

hold^3

How long would the roof hold?

hold on to

...a politician who knew **how** to hold onto power.

hot

It took hot competition from abroad, however, to show us just **how** good Scottish cashmere really is.

how

I wonder **how** Sam got on with him.

how

How was your trip down to Orlando?...

how

Hi! **How** are you doing?...

how

He was asked **how** serious the situation had become.

how

How fast were you driving?...

how

I didn't realize **how** heavy that shopping was going to be...

how

Franklin told them all **how** happy he was to be in Britain again.

how

How old is your son now?...

how

How strange that something so simple as a walk on the beach could suddenly mean so much...

how

How long will you be staying?...

how

How many full-time staff have we got?...

how

How much money are we talking about?...

how

How can you drink so much beer, Luke?...

how

How could he be so indiscreet?

how

It's important to become acutely aware of **how** your eating ties in with your stress level.

how

It's amazing **how** people collect so much stuff over the years...

- how I didn't know **how** to tell you.
- how **How** about a cup of coffee?...
- how You want Jeannie to make the appointment for you?
- How** about the end of next week?...
- how I don't want to know **how** he died...
- how Well, I enjoyed that. **How** about you two?...
- how **How** are you going to plan for the future?
- how Are your products and services competitive? **How** about marketing?
- how **How** do you manage to keep the place so tidy?...
- how **How** do I make payments into my account?...
- how 'They don't say a single word to each other.'—'**How** come?'
- hubris ...a tale of **how** an honourable man pursuing honourable goals was afflicted with hubris and led his nation towards catastrophe.
- hurl **How** would you handle being locked in the back of a cab while the driver hurled abuse at you?
- idea This table will give you some idea of **how** levels of ability can be measured...
- idea No one has any real idea **how** much the company will make next year.
- idealize ...an idealised image of **how** a parent should be...
- illustrate The incident graphically illustrates **how** parlous their position is...
- imagine Can you imagine **how** she must have felt when Mary Brent turned up with me in tow?...
- imbue As you listen, you notice **how** every single word is imbued with a breathless sense of wonder.
- impermanent We are reminded just **how** small and **how** impermanent we are.

inconsequential	...a constant reminder of just how insignificant and inconsequential their lives were...
incredible	It's incredible how much Francesca wants her father's approval...
informed	We are able to make more informed choices about how we use drugs.
ingenuous	Somewhat ingenuously, he explains how the crime may be accomplished...
intentional	How can I blame him? It wasn't intentional.
interact	You have to understand how cells interact...
interpret	Both approaches agree on what is depicted in the poem, but not on how it should be interpreted.
into	I have no idea how he got into Iraq...
investigate	Police are still investigating how the accident happened.
itself	Scientists have discovered remarkable new evidence showing how the body rebuilds itself while we sleep...
ivory tower	They don't really, in their ivory towers, understand how pernicious drug crime is.
jibe	How did your expectations jibe with the reality?
judge	It's for other people to judge how much I have improved...
judge	Though the shoreline could be dimly seen, it was impossible to judge how far away it was...
just^1	There are no statistics about just how many people won't vote...
know	No matter how well you know Paris, it is easy to get lost...
know	I don't know how he could do this to his own daughter...
know	' How did he meet your mother?'—'I don't know.'...
know	You don't know how good it is to speak to somebody from home.

know	The health authorities now know how to deal with the disease...
know-how	He hasn't got the know- how to run a farm.
kowtow	See how stupidly they kow-tow to persons higher in the hierarchy.
lace	I have a good pair of skates, but no matter how tightly I lace them, my ankles wobble.
lady	My dear Lady Mary, how very good to see you.
lady	Our governess was told to make sure we knew how to talk like English ladies.
language	Students examined how children acquire language...
launder	How many guests who expect clean towels every day in an hotel launder their own every day at home?...
law	The book analyses why women kill and how the law treats them.
lazy	I was too lazy to learn how to read music.
lead on	I bet she led him on—but how could he be so weak?
leaf	Maybe we should take a leaf out of Branson's book. It's easy to see how he became a billionaire...
leak	We don't know how the transcript leaked.
learn	We are learning how to confront death instead of avoiding its reality.
learn	...learning how to use new computer systems...
leaven	He found congenial officers who knew how to leaven war's rigours with riotous enjoyment.
let	' How long you been living together then?'—'Erm, let me think. It's about four years now.'
liberate	He asked how committed the leadership was to liberating its people from poverty.
life	How did you adjust to college life?
like^2	How did you like the trip?

like^2	How do you like America?...
likely	`How about having a phone out here?'—`Not likely!
limit	There is no limit to how much fresh fruit you can eat in a day...
liven	How could we decorate the room to liven it up?...
load	I knew how to load and handle a gun...
long^1	How long is the usual stay in hospital?...
long^1	How long have you lived around here?...
long^2	How long is the tunnel?...
long-haul	...learning how to avoid the unpleasant side-effects of long-haul flights.
look^1	Now, look, here is how things stand.
look^1	It depends how you look at it.
look back	Looking back, I am staggered how easily it was all arranged.
loss	The government is at a loss to know how to tackle the violence.
loss	They took the time to talk about the loss of Thomas and how their grief was affecting them.
lot	I learned a lot from him about how to run a band...
lousy	There can be no argument about how lousy he is at public relations.
lovely	Mary! How lovely to see you!...
mainly	The stockmarket scandal is refusing to go away, mainly because there's still no consensus over how it should be dealt with...
make^6	All I want to know is how many T-shirts Jim Martin has got. I make it three...
mandate	How much longer does the independent prosecutor have a mandate to pursue this investigation?...
manicure	He was surprised to see how carefully she had

manicured her broad hands.

manoeuvre Allied troops begin maneuvers tomorrow to show **how** quickly forces could be mobilized in case of a new invasion...

many `How many of the songs that dealt with this theme became hit songs?'—`Not very many.'...

many How many years have you been here?...

many No-one knows **how** many people have been killed since the war began.

many How many do you smoke a day?

many How many years is it since we've seen each other? Too many, anyway.

marital status How well off you are in old age is largely determined by race, sex, and marital status.

marketable ...telling them **how** to turn their prize research projects into marketable products.

matter As long as staff are smart, it does not matter **how** long their hair is...

measure That is a measure of **how** bad things have become at the bank.

meet I honestly don't know **how** I will react the next time I meet a potentially dangerous situation...

meet Parallel lines will never meet no matter **how** far extended...

mention She shouldn't have mentioned **how** heavy the dress was...

merge Then he showed me **how** to merge the graphic with text on the same screen.

mile `How do you know he's Irish?'—`Sticks out a mile.'...

mind^1 He raged on about **how** he had a good mind to resign.

mind^1 `How about a game of tennis?' suggested Alan. `That'll

take your mind off things.'

- misery Please put me out of my misery. **How** do you do it?
- mistake No one should mistake **how** serious the issue is.
- mistaken ...a limited understanding of addiction and mistaken beliefs about **how** it can be overcome.
- mixed Girls who have always been at a mixed school know **how** to stand up for themselves...
- moot **How** long he'll be able to do so is a moot point.
- motivate **How** do you motivate people to work hard and efficiently?...
- motivate Never let it be said that the manager doesn't know **how** to motivate his players.
- mouthpiece He showed him **how** to blow into the ivory mouthpiece.
- moving It is very moving to see **how** much strangers can care for each other...
- much She knows **how** much this upsets me but she persists in doing it...
- much **How** much do you earn?...
- much **How** much money can I afford?...
- much See just **how** much fat and cholesterol you're eating...
- muck up Scientists should figure out **how** to keep the natural world from mucking up the affairs of people.
- murmur '**How** lovely,' she murmured...
- nibble ...**how** best to compete with the overseas nations nibbling at our traditional markets...
- nice '**How** are your boys?'—'**How** nice of you to ask.'...
- nobody Nobody realizes **how** bad things are...
- none None of us knew **how** to treat her.
- nonsense I think there is a limit to **how** much of this nonsense people are going to put up with.
- nor '**None** of us has any idea **how** long we're going to be

here.'—`Nor do I.'...

- note Haig noted **how** he `looked pinched and rather tired'.
- nothing Youngsters learn nothing so fast as **how** to beat the system...
- numbskull **How** were we to know that he was a numbskull?
- O, o O **how** mistaken you are!...
- object lesson It was an object lesson in **how** to use television as a means of persuasion.
- oblige We called up three economists to ask **how** to eliminate the deficit and they obliged with very straightforward answers...
- obliterate There was time enough to obliterate memories of **how** things once were for him.
- obscurity `**How** can that be?' asked Hunt, irritated by the obscurity of Henry's reply...
- obvious Determining **how** the Democratic challenger would conduct his presidency isn't quite so obvious.
- odd `**How** long have you lived here?'—`Twenty odd years.'
- often **How** often do you brush your teeth?...
- old **How** old are you now?...
- old age They worry about **how** they will support themselves in their old age...
- ombudsman The leaflet explains **how** to complain to the banking ombudsman.
- on I know **how** to darn, and **how** to sew a button on.
- on Later on I learned **how** to read music...
- on People complain about **how** children spend so much time on computer games...
- on I know how to darn, and **how** to sew a button on.
- one **How** would you like to have dinner one night, just you and me?...

one	One after another, people described how hard it is for them to get medical care.
onto	As he got on to the plane, he asked me how I was feeling...
ooh	'Red? Ooh how nice.'
open	They are open to suggestions on how working conditions might be improved.
open	It is an open question how long that commitment can last.
open up	He said he wanted to see how Albania was opening up to the world...
outdo	Both sides have tried to outdo each other to show how tough they can be.
out of date	Think how rapidly medical knowledge has gone out of date in recent years.
overdose	Medical opinion varies on how many tablets it takes to overdose.
own	I told him how scared I was of being on my own...
panic	There was a moment of panic in Britain as it became clear just how vulnerable the nation was...
patter	Fran began her automatic patter about how Jon had been unavoidably detained.
pep up	How about pepping up plain tiles with transfers?
peppy	At the end of every day, jot down a brief note on how peppy or tired you felt.
perception	He is interested in how our perceptions of death affect the way we live.
phonetics	It's wonderful to watch her now going through things phonetically learning how to spell things.
piano	I taught myself how to play the piano...
piece	How very thoughtless. I'll give him a piece of my mind.

- pin down If we cannot pin down exactly what we are supposed to be managing, **how** can we manage it?
- pit Mary Ann asked him **how** dinner had been. 'The pits,' he replied.
- politics You need to understand **how** office politics influence the working environment.
- politics The key question in British politics was **how** long the prime minister could survive...
- ponder I'm continually pondering **how** to improve the team.
- ponder I found myself constantly pondering the question: '**How** could anyone do these things?'...

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ponder	I found myself constantly pondering the question: 'How could anyone do these things?'...
practical	We can offer you practical suggestions on how to increase the fibre in your daily diet...
precisely	Nobody knows precisely how many people are still living in the camp...
predict	It's hard to predict how a jury will react...
preppy	I couldn't believe how straight-looking he was, how preppy.
prevail	How people in a certain era bury their dead says much about the prevailing attitudes toward death.
prickly	You know how prickly she is.
proffer	The army has not yet proffered an explanation of how and why the accident happened.
progress	He will visit once a fortnight to see how his new staff are progressing...
prompt	How exactly did he prompt her, Mr Markham?
prosecute	The attorney who will prosecute the case says he cannot reveal how much money is involved.
prove	...trying to prove how groups of animals have evolved...
pt	Here's how it works—3 pts for a correct result, 1 pt for the correct winning team.
put	How much faith should we put in anti-ageing products?
put	I had already met Pete a couple of times through—how should I put it—friends in low places...
put up to	How do you know he asked me out? You put him up to it.
ravish	She'll never know how close she came to being dragged off and ravished.
raw	Her grief was still raw and he did not know how to help her.
reach	Has the doctor told you how to reach him or her in

emergencies?...

- read **How** can I read a Microsoft Excel file on a computer that only has Works installed?
- read Later on I learned **how** to read music.
- realize People don't realize **how** serious this recession has actually been...
- realize He nearly cried out at the sudden realization of **how** much Randall looked like him.
- reasonable 'I can understand **how** you feel,' Desmond said with great reasonableness.
- recall Colleagues today recall with humor **how** meetings would crawl into the early morning hours...
- recap Each report starts with a recap of **how** we did versus our projections.
- reconcile Negotiators must now work out **how** to reconcile these demands with American demands for access.
- recount He recounted **how** heavily armed soldiers forced him from the presidential palace.
- reign Confusion reigned about **how** the debate would end...
- relate At the end, we have a sense of names, dates, and events but no sense of **how** they relate.
- relate Other recommendations relate to the details of **how** such data is stored...
- relate Cornell University offers a course that investigates **how** language relates to particular cultural codes...
- relax **How** much can the President relax his grip over the nation?...
- repair Many women know **how** to carry out repairs on their cars...
- repay It was very kind. I don't know **how** I can ever repay you...
- report She came back to give us a progress report on **how** the

project is going...

- resistant** ...**how** to improve plants to make them more resistant to disease...
- rest^2** **How** can any woman rest easy now, knowing her breast cancer may be misdiagnosed?
- restorative** She opened the door to her bedroom, thinking **how** restorative a hot bath would feel tonight.
- restrain** The radical 500-day plan was very clear on **how** it intended to try to restrain inflation...
- reveal** No test will reveal **how** much of the drug was taken.
- reverse engineering** Xerox set about a process of reverse engineering. It pulled the machines apart and investigated the Japanese factories to find out **how** they could pull off such feats.
- rewrite** We have always been an independent people, no matter **how** they rewrite history...
- rhetorical** 'Do these kids know **how** lucky they are?' Jackson asked rhetorically.
- rotten** You rotten swine! **How** dare you?...
- rough** We were only able to make a rough estimate of **how** much fuel would be required...
- rule** Scientists have always been aware of **how** fear can rule our lives and make us ill.
- satisfaction** It is hard to see **how** the issue can be resolved to everyone's satisfaction.
- say** I think that says a lot about **how** well Seles is playing...
- scare** It scared him to realise **how** close he had come to losing everything.
- scratch** The Institute spends a lot of time scratching its head about **how** to boost American productivity.
- scuba diving** I signed up to learn **how** to scuba dive.

- see We saw in Chapter 16 **how** annual cash budgets are produced...
- seem No matter **how** hard I try I cannot seem to catch up on all the bills...
- self-congratulatory Officials were self-congratulatory about **how** well the day had gone.
- sensitize **How** many judges in our male-dominated courts are sensitized to women's issues?
- separate **How** can one ever separate out the act from the attitudes that surround it?
- serving Quantities will vary according to **how** many servings of soup you want to prepare...
- set back It has set us back in so many respects that I'm not sure **how** long it will take for us to catch up...
- set off It could take months before evidence emerges on **how** the bomb was made, and who set it off.
- set up Tell us when and why you started your business and **how** you went about setting it up.
- sexual **How** many kids in this school are sexually active?
- shake His voice shaking with rage, he asked **how** the committee could keep such a report from the public.
- shape up I did have a few worries about **how** Hugh and I would shape up as parents...
- shark Beware the sharks when you are making up your mind **how** to invest.
- short^1 **How** could you do it in such a short period of time?...
- show Our photograph shows **how** the plants will turn out.
- show Claire showed us **how** to make a chocolate roulade...
- show **How** else did his hostility to women show itself?
- show **How** about going shopping and seeing a show in London?...

simulate	Cars are tested to see how much damage they suffer in simulated crashes.
singalong	How about a nice sing-along around the piano?
situate	How do we situate Christianity in the context of modern physics and psychology?
slim	Some people will gain weight, no matter how hard they try to slim...
slip	It amazed him how easily one could slip into a routine...
slowdown	It's impossible to assess how many officers are participating in the slowdown.
sneak	You sneak a look at your watch to see how long you've got to wait.
so	So how was your day?...
soften	...He could not think how to soften the blow of what he had to tell her.
solicitous	He took her hand in greeting and asked solicitously how everything was.
someone	If somebody asks me how my diet is going, I say, 'Fine'...
sometimes	You must have noticed how tired he sometimes looks...
sort out	How do we sort out fact from fiction?
sound off	It is surprising how many people start sounding off about something without really deciding what they think about it.
soundly	How can he sleep soundly at night?...
spell	How do you spell 'potato'?...
spell	It's shocking how students can't spell these days...
spell out	Be assertive and spell out exactly how you feel...
spell out	How many times do I have to spell it out?
spray paint	The youths are taught how to spray paint cars and mend fences...

stack up	How does this final presidential debate stack up and compare to the others, do you think?
stagnant	He is seeking advice on how to revive the stagnant economy...
stand	How does he stand the pain?
stand up	How well does this thesis stand up to close examination?
start	I started by asking how many day-care centers were located in the United States...
stay	...community care networks that offer classes on how to stay healthy...
stoop	How could anyone stoop so low?
strange	It's strange how things turn out.
strengthen	I am also looking urgently at how we can strengthen the law...
stride	Beth was struck by how Naomi took the mistake in her stride.
strike	What struck me about the firm is how genuinely friendly and informal it is.
stroke	How can Britain reduce its prison population in one stroke?
stubborn	He stubbornly refused to tell her how he had come to be in such a state.
successful	How successful will this new treatment be?...
such	How can we make sense of such a story as this?
such	There'd be no telling how John would react to such news as this.
such	If your request is for information about a child, please contact the Registrar to find out how to make such a request...
suction	Michael was showing the nurse how to suction his

saliva...

- sugar **How** many sugars do you take?
- suggest No one has suggested **how** this might occur...
- suggest Could you suggest someone to advise me **how** to do this?...
- suggestion The dietitian was helpful, making suggestions as to **how** I could improve my diet...
- sure Be sure to read about **how** mozzarella is made, on page 65...
- surf No one knows **how** many people currently surf the Net.
- suss They're sussing out the area to see **how** strong the police presence is...
- sway **How** mothers keep daughters under their sway is the subject of the next five sections.
- sweet **How** sweet of you to think of me!
- swing Everyone understood **how** hard it was to get back into the swing of things after such a long absence.
- sympathize I must tell you **how** much I sympathize with you for your loss, Professor...
- tackle I tackled him about **how** anyone could live amidst so much poverty.
- take up I know **how** busy you must be and naturally I wouldn't want to take up too much of your time...
- tale You lived to tell the tale this time but who knows **how** far you can push your luck.
- talk back **How** dare you talk back to me!...
- tall **How** tall are you?...
- teach George had taught him **how** to ride a horse...
- tease He told her **how** the boys in East Poldown had set on him, teasing him...
- tell I called Andie to tell her **how** spectacular the stuff

looked...

- tell **How** do you tell one from another?...
- telling There's no telling **how** long the talks could drag on...
- telling **How** a man shaves may be a telling clue to his age.
- temper When I try to explain **how** I feel he just flies into a temper.
- temporal One is also able to see **how** specific acts are related to a temporal and spatial context...
- term The video explains in simple terms **how** the new tax works...
- test She may be testing her mother to see **how** much she can take before she throws her out.
- the It's sometimes hard to imagine **how** bad things were in the thirties.
- there `Come on over, if you want.'—`**How** do I get there?'...
- thick **How** thick are these walls?
- thick **How** could she have been so thick?
- thickener **How** much thickener is used?
- thing Patricia Hewitt knows a thing or two about **how** to be well-organised...
- think I remember thinking **how** lovely he looked...
- think When I think of **how** you've behaved and the trouble you've got into!
- think back Thinking back, I don't know **how** I had the courage.
- thirsty People should understand **how** thirsty for revenge they are.
- this I don't know **how** bad the injury is, because I have never had one like this before.
- thorough **How** thorough is the assessment?
- thoughtful I can't tell you **how** much I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

thumb	I cannot tell you what pain I feel when I see how much my mother is under my father's thumb...
ticklish	So car makers are faced with the ticklish problem of how to project products at new buyers.
tightrope	School administrators walk a tightrope between the demands of the community and the realities of how children really behave...
tip	How do you stop people tipping?...
tip	It shows how to prepare a CV, and gives tips on applying for jobs.
today	How are you feeling today?...
top	How are you going to top that?
top	How does he stay on top, 17 years after becoming foreign minister?
touch	It has touched me deeply to see how these people live...
toughen	They believe that participating in fights toughens boys and shows them how to be men.
trick	Stephen is going to be pretty upset when he finds out how you tricked him...
trill	` How adorable!' she trills.
trip up	The two occasions she tripped up tell you nothing about how often she got away with it.
trivialize	It never ceases to amaze me how the business world continues to trivialize the world's environmental problems.
try	No matter how bad you feel, keep trying.
tucker	...a man who knows what constitutes decent tucker and how to go about serving it up.
turn around	I feel that if I say how tired I get, David will turn around and say, `I told you so'.
turn around	It's an example of how you can turn around the

sentence and create a whole new meaning.

- ultrasound** I had an ultrasound scan to see **how** the pregnancy was progressing.
- unaware** Many people are unaware of just **how** much food and drink they consume...
- unbalanced** I knew **how** unbalanced Paula had been since my uncle Peter died...
- uncertain** He stopped, uncertain **how** to put the question tactfully...
- uncertain** **How** far the republics can give practical help, however, is uncertain...
- unclear** It is unclear **how** much popular support they have among the island's population...
- unclothed** He learned **how** to draw the unclothed human frame...
- undaunted** Undaunted by the scale of the job, Lesley set about planning **how** each room should look.
- underline** But the incident underlines **how** easily things can go wrong.
- under way** An investigation is underway to find out **how** the disaster happened...
- uneasy** Richard was uneasy about **how** best to approach his elderly mother...
- unfasten** When Ted was six we decided that he needed to know **how** to fasten and unfasten his seat belt...
- unfathomable** **How** odd life was, **how** unfathomable, **how** profoundly unjust.
- unfold** The outcome depends on conditions as well as **how** events unfold...
- unknown** **How** did you expect us to proceed on such a perilous expedition, through unknown terrain...
- unknown** I could not understand **how** someone with so many awards could be unknown to me.

unsuited	By the end of that first year, I knew how totally unsuited we were to each other.
up^1	How are you Lennox? Good to see you up and about.
up^2	It was up to him to make it right, no matter how long it took...
used^1	This is how we do things here. You'll soon get used to it...
very	` How well do you know her?'—`Not very.'
vision	That's my vision of how the world could be...
visualize	It was hard to visualize how it could have been done.
volley	It's still not known how many died in the volleys of gunfire...
volume	Senior officials will be discussing how the volume of sales might be reduced.
wait	I waited to see how she responded...
way	It wasn't until we each went our separate ways that I began to learn how to do things for myself...
way	By the way, how did your seminar go?
we'd	I don't know how we'd have managed without her!
well^2	How well do you remember your mother, Franzi?...
whatsoever	I don't think they'll have any idea how I'm feeling. None whatsoever...
when	How can I love myself when I look like this?...
which	There are so many diets on the market, how do you know which to choose?
wicked	She flew at me, shouting how wicked and evil I was.
will^1	How the country will defend itself in the future has become increasingly important...
will^1	How will I recognize you?

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will^1	How will I recognize you?
without	How can I rebuild my life without my husband?...
wonder	`That's right!' Bobby exclaimed in wonder. ` How did you remember that?'
work	We hadn't appreciated how much work was involved in organizing a wedding...
work out	` How will you contact me?'—`We haven't worked that out yet.'
worse	The grandparents sigh and say how things have changed for the worse.
worth	` How many do you want?'—`I'll have a pound's worth.'
would	If I had known how he felt, I would never have let him adopt those children...
wrong	How do you know that this explanation is wrong?...
-y	` How are you, Mikey?'
yodel	You haven't lived till you've learned how to yodel at a tea dance in a mountain hut!
your	I then realized how possible it was to overcome your limitations.
yours	If yours is a high-stress job, it is important that you learn how to cope.