

### Unit 1 Changes

#### Expressions with *make*

##### Learn the expressions

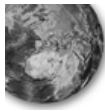
1 In this unit, you heard expressions like, "Make sure you get fresh air every day." Let's look at some other expressions with *make*. Match the expressions with the definitions. Tip: Do the ones you are confident about first.

make too much of	make do	make good on	make up for
make believe	make over	make a go of	make ends meet
make up your mind	make a living		

- pretend that something is true make believe
- manage to do something with what you have, even if it's not perfect  
\_\_\_\_\_
- give something or someone more importance than he, she, or it deserves  
\_\_\_\_\_
- change something completely \_\_\_\_\_
- compensate a bad situation or event with a good one \_\_\_\_\_
- manage to succeed at something after working hard at it \_\_\_\_\_
- have enough money to buy what you need to live \_\_\_\_\_
- do what you said you would do \_\_\_\_\_
- earn enough money doing something \_\_\_\_\_
- decide something \_\_\_\_\_

#### Answer Key

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. make believe     | 6. make a go of       |
| 2. make do          | 7. make ends meet     |
| 3. make too much of | 8. make good on       |
| 4. make over        | 9. make a living      |
| 5. make up for      | 10. make up your mind |



### Use the expressions

#### 2 Complete the conversations with the appropriate form of the expressions in the box.

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A: I wanted to buy a new car, but I'll have to (1) \_\_\_\_\_ with the one I have.

B: Oh really? How come?

A: Well, it's kind of ridiculous to think about a new car when you're having problems (2) \_\_\_\_\_.

B: But which car were you thinking about?

A: There are several I like, and I never really (3) \_\_\_\_\_. But it doesn't matter anymore.

A: How's your new apartment?

B: Not bad. It's not very big and I need to (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the bathroom, but the huge windows (5) \_\_\_\_\_ that. There's only one problem, and I'm trying not to (6) \_\_\_\_\_ it.

A: What is it?

B: Well, it's my neighbor. She plays her music really loud. It's annoying, but I'll live with it.

A: Have you talked to her about it?

B: Yeah, she said she would keep the music down, but let's see if she (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the promise.

A: I heard you got a new job. How do you like it?

B: Let's say it pays the bills. I'm not too crazy about it, but I have to (8) \_\_\_\_\_ somehow. So, I guess I'll (9) \_\_\_\_\_ I like it, even though I don't.

A: I see. So you're looking for something else while you're there?

B: Well, it's not really a bad company, so I'm going to stay for a while and try to (10) \_\_\_\_\_ it. Maybe things will get better.

A: Good luck, then. I'm sure you'll do fine.

### Make the expressions your own

#### 3 Answer these questions with information about yourself.

1. Would you allow anyone to make you over? Why?
2. Has something happened in your life that you think people made too much of?
3. Do you always make good on your resolutions and promises?