10 Weekend Expressions You'll Actually Use

WORKSHEET 1 • Vocabulary, meaning and everyday use • Level B2

Name: _____ Date: _____

EXERCISE 1 | Match the expressions to their meanings

Write the correct letter (A-J) next to each expression.

1. take it easy ____
2. have a lie-in ____
3. catch up on something ____
4. get around to something ____
5. make the most of something ____
6. have friends over ____
7. head out ____
8. wind down ____
9. recharge your batteries ____
10. the weekend flew by ____

Meanings
A. Relax gradually after a busy or stressful time
B. Invite or welcome friends to your home
C. Use an opportunity as fully as possible
D. Sleep later than usual in the morning (British English)
E. Finally find time to do something delayed
F. Leave to go somewhere
G. Rest and recover your energy
H. Spend time relaxing without doing anything demanding
I. A weekend seemed to pass very quickly
J. Do something you are behind on

EXERCISE 2 | Complete the sentences

Use each expression once. Change the form where necessary.

take it easy • have a lie-in • catch up on • get around to • make the most of • have friends over • head out • wind down • recharge my batteries • fly by

1. After a hectic week, I really needed to _____.
2. It was sunny, so we decided to _____ the good weather.
3. We _____ for dinner on Saturday - there were six of us!
4. I finally _____ organising all my old photos.
5. The whole weekend _____; I can’t believe it’s Monday already!
6. On Sunday morning, I _____ and didn’t get up until ten.
7. I stayed at home and _____ some reading.
8. We _____ for a walk just after lunch.
9. I like to _____ with a book before bed.
10. I wasn’t feeling very energetic, so I just _____ on Saturday.

Weekend Expressions | Use Them Naturally

WORKSHEET 1 • Continued

EXERCISE 3 | Choose the best expression

Circle the more natural choice for each situation.

1. You have a long list of unread articles.
a) catch up on reading b) recharge reading

2. You finally paint a room after months of postponing it.
a) get around to painting b) wind down painting

3. You invite your cousins for lunch.
a) head your cousins out b) have your cousins over

4. You want to relax after a demanding day.
a) wind down b) fly by

5. The sun is out for just one afternoon.
a) make the most of it b) get around to it

EXERCISE 4 | Build a natural answer

Use this three-step structure to answer “How was your weekend?”

1. Reaction: It was pretty relaxing, actually.
2. Details: I had a lie-in and caught up on some reading.
3. Ending: It was just what I needed. How about yours?

Your answer: Include at least two expressions from Exercise 1.

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EXERCISE 5 | Speak!

Answer aloud. Try to use different expressions in each answer.

1. What do you usually do to recharge your batteries?

2. What have you been meaning to get around to?

3. When did you last have someone over?

4. What do you do to wind down on Sunday evening?