

For each **collocation**,

find the definition and then an example sentence.

## spend time

To pass your time doing some activity.

- I **spend a lot of time** studying English.

## waste time

Doing something that is not a good use of time.

- Stop **wasting time** playing computer games and get to work!

## make time for

To "create" time in a busy schedule.

- I need to **make time for** regular exercise - maybe I can go to the gym before work.

## save time

Something that is efficient and gives you extra time

- Shopping online **saves me time** because I don't have to wait in line at the store.

## free/spare time

Time in which you have no obligations, and you can do whatever you want.

- In my **free time**, I enjoy reading, painting, and cooking.

## have time

Be available to do something.

- I'd like to take violin lessons, but I don't **have enough time**.

## kill time / pass the time

Do something to make the time pass faster while you're waiting for something else.

- Let's bring some magazines to help **pass the time** on the train ride.

## take your time

You can use as much time as you want, you don't have to go fast.

- "I like all of these computers. I'm not sure which one I want to buy yet."  
"That's OK - **take your time**."

## on time

On schedule, at the right time.

- It's important to arrive **on time** for a job interview.

## just in time

At the perfect time, soon before something else happens

- Hi, Henry! Have a seat - you got here **just in time** for dinner.

## have a hard/rough time

Something difficult, or a difficult period in life.

- I'm **having a hard time** solving this math problem. Could you help me?

## it's about time

An expression that means "Finally!"

- **It's about time** they fixed the air conditioner in my classroom! It's been broken for three years!

## pressed for time

In a rush, in a hurry (when you need to do something and you don't have enough time)

- Sorry, I can't talk at the moment - I'm a bit **pressed for time**. Can I call you back later?

## run out of time

Have no more time before the limit.

- I **ran out of time** before I finished the test, so I didn't answer the last five questions.

## stall for time

Delay.

- My son didn't want to go to bed, so he tried to **stall for time** by asking me to read him another bedtime story.

## take time off

Not go to work.

- I'm **taking some time off** in July to go camping with my family.

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