

below the belt	cut back	behind on	behind the times	beyond me
besides	little by little	beneath her	but	by
behind your back	before (used twice)	by the time	getting at	between (used three times)
back from	way beyond	by a nose	beside the point	beneath you
behind me	beside herself	get back	beyond help	one by one

1. You are having a hard time saying what you mean. You aren't sure your friend understands what you mean. You say:

Do you know what I'm _____.

2. You flew to Paris, then took a train to Milan and flew home from there. Your friend asks if you had a round trip ticket from Paris. You say:

No, we flew _____ Milan.

3. Your friend plays a cruel joke on you that embarrasses you in front your your girlfriend. You are determined to even the score. You say:

I'll _____ at him if it's the last thing I do.

4. Your salary has been reduced. You don't have as much money to spend as before. You tell your wife: Honey, we've really got to _____ on eating out and going to movies.

5. Your brother works all the time. He has a wife and young children, but he never sees them because he is working. You tell him:

It is not good to put your work _____ your family.

6. You get a third traffic ticket for speeding in one year. The judge tells you:

You must appear _____ the judge.

7. Your renter has not paid his rent for two months. You tell him:

You are _____ your rent. You need to pay me.

8. Your wife tells you she will support you one hundred percent. You tell her.

It's nice to have you _____.

9. You talk your boss into letting you run the new project. Then a co-worker goes to see your boss when you aren't around. He tells him you don't have enough experience and shouldn't run the project. You know that:

Your co-worker went _____ to get you off the project.

10. Your husband wears old-fashioned clothes. You tell him:

You are _____. You need to wear some newer styles.

11. You told your friend about a new job that you had interviewed for. The friend immediately went and applied for the job himself. Your friend got the job instead of you. You felt like:

He hit you _____.

12. Susan is the only one in her family to go to college. She works for a big corporation making lots of money. Her family complains that:

Susan thinks we are _____ now.

13. There are some things that you simply won't do. For example, you wouldn't lie to someone. You feel:

There are some things that are _____.

14. You hate to go to meetings with people who talk a lot about things that aren't related to the meeting. You wish you could just tell them:

Look, that is _____. Let's get back to what is important.

15. Bill's little sister didn't get home until after 2 AM. Bill's mother was _____ with worry.

16. A friend hears you are planning a party and asks if he can come. You tell him:

You can come if you want, but this is a birthday party for my dad. No one _____ my family will be there.

17. Your daughter wants to eat some pie and some cookies. You tell her:

You must choose _____ the pie and the cookies. You cannot have both.

18. You and a friend went to a restaurant. The bill was much higher than you expected. Neither you nor your friend had enough money to pay the bill. You told the manager:

I'm sorry, but we only have \$50 _____ us. Could we write you a check?

19. You want to tell your friend some news you just heard, but it was supposed to be a secret. You might say:

Just _____ you and me, James and Ann snuck away and got married this weekend.

20. You don't understand why someone acts the way they do. You tell a friend.

It is _____ why Clark behaves so badly in front of his girlfriend.

21. You arrive at the scene of a car accident. A man is very badly hurt. You tell the policeman:

I tried to help him, but realized he was so badly injured he was _____.

22. You had a party. Everyone had such a good time that no one would leave. You feel like:

Your guests stayed _____ the acceptable time.

23. You work Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. In other words:

You work every day _____ Sunday.

24. Your friend compliments you about your home improvements. You tell her:

Thank you, but I didn't do it. All the work was done _____ a carpenter.

25. You are flying to Tokyo tomorrow. Your daughter says she will see you off tomorrow morning. You tell her:

I'm leaving at 4 AM. _____ you wake up, I'll be over the Pacific Ocean.

26. You bet on a horse race. It was very close. You tell your friend:

My horse lost _____.

27. Your pearl necklace broke and the pearls scattered on the floor. You had to pick up the pearls

_____.

28. You are working hard to learn English. You are improving slowly but steadily. You could say:

You are making progress _____.