

# WORK - PRACTICING CHUNKS

## PRACTICE INSTRUCTIONS.

Remember there are different actions you can practice.

1. Repeat
2. Say the opposite
3. Change tense
4. Say something true for you
5. Substitution
6. Synonyms

**To pop up** (appear - an opportunity)

Pop up - *repeat*

An opportunity popped up - *repeat*

An opportunity to get a new job popped up - *repeat*

An opportunity to get a new job popped up - Use a **synonym of opportunity**

*You might say,*

*A chance to get a new job popped up*

An opportunity to get a new job popped up - *say the opposite*

*You should say,*

*An opportunity to get a new job didn't pop up*

Opportunities to get a new job pop up everyday in my city - *Say something true for you*

**To have a knack for** \_\_\_\_ (to have a talent for doing something)

have a knack for - *repeat*

have a knack for selling things - *repeat*

She has a knack for selling things - *repeat*

She has a knack for selling things - *say the opposite*

*You might say,*

*She doesn't have a knack for selling things*

*She is really bad at selling things*

She has a knack for selling things - *change to a past tense*

*You might say*

*She had a knack for selling things*

*She used to have a knack for selling things, but now...*

*Don't use 'would' as 'have a knack' is a state not a habit*

I have a knack for making English videos - *what about you?*

**To be on the ball** (to be very alert and clever)

on the ball - *repeat*

She's on the ball - *repeat*

She's on the ball when it comes to finance - *repeat*

She's on the ball when it comes to finance - *substitute **public speaking** for **finance***

*You should say,*

*She's on the ball when it comes to public speaking*

I'm not on the ball when it comes to finance - *What about you?*

**In my eyes** (in my opinion)

In my eyes - *repeat*

In my eyes, she's very easy-going - *repeat*

In my eyes, she's very easy-going - *Use a synonym for **easy-going***

*You might say,*

*In my eyes, she's very relaxed / laid back / even-tempered*

*In my eyes, she's quite carefree*

In my eyes, she's very easy-going - *Substitute an antonym (opposite adjective) for **easy-going***

*You might say,*

*In my eyes, she's very uptight / highly-strung / jittery*

In my eyes, my sister is very easy-going - *Say something true for you*

**To go like clockwork** (to happen exactly as planned)

go like clockwork - *repeat*

The meeting went like clockwork - *repeat*

The meeting went like clockwork- *Say the opposite*

*You might say,*

*The meeting didn't go like clockwork*

*The meeting went very badly*

*The meeting didn't go as planned*

That meeting went like clockwork- *change to a future tense*

*You might say,*

*This meeting will go like clockwork*

*This meeting is going to go like clockwork*

When my meetings go like clockwork, I'm over the moon - *what about you?*