

to soup something up - (*informal*) to make changes to something such as a car or computer, so that it is more powerful or exciting than before

a ting = a sound of a bell

to fall off = to depart

to put out the fire = extinguish something to make a fire stop burning or a light stop shining

consecutive = following one after another in a continuous series
She was absent for nine consecutive days.

make a beeline for something/somebody

(*informal*) to go straight towards something/somebody as quickly as you can

familiarity (with something) | familiarity (to somebody) the state of knowing somebody/something well; the state of recognizing somebody/something

His familiarity with the language helped him enjoy his stay.

to bail out - to jump out of a plane that is going to crash

to strive for sth = to struggle for something, to fight for something with effort

to proceed = to continue

to bleed off = to reduce

whereabouts = the place where somebody/something is

- *His whereabouts are/is still unknown.*

size somebody/something up

(informal) to form a judgement or an opinion about somebody/something

pass something up

(informal) to choose not to make use of a chance, an opportunity, etc.

come in handy

(informal) to be useful

- *Don't throw that away—it might come in handy.*

to go south = to get worse (idiomatic expression)