

IDIOMS AND SET PHRASES

1. **rinse/ wash someone's mouth out (with soap)**



"The psychologist suggests you choose your own punishment. So, do you want your mouth washed out with bar or liquid soap?"

rinse someone's mouth out (with soap) **wash someone's mouth out (with soap)**

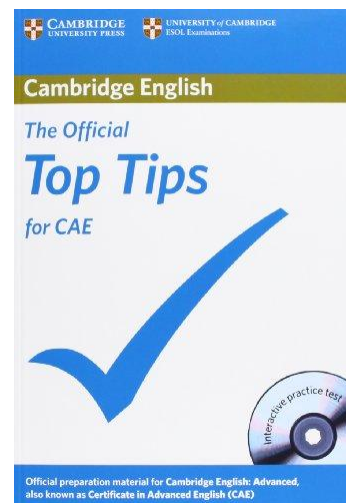
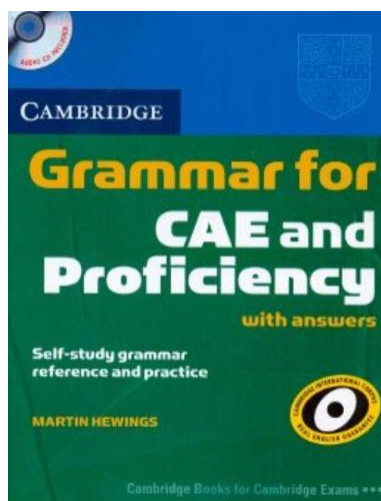
Fig. to punish one by washing one's mouth out with soap, especially for using foul language. (Usually a jocular threat.)

If you say that again, I'll **rinse your mouth out with soap**.

I will **wash out your mouth** if you swear

His mum threatened to **wash his mouth out with soap**.

Lavarle la boca a alguien con jabón



2. the best / the better part of something



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almost all of something; a large part of something;
the major part of something.

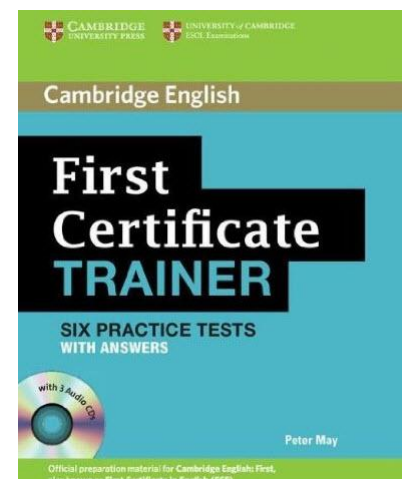
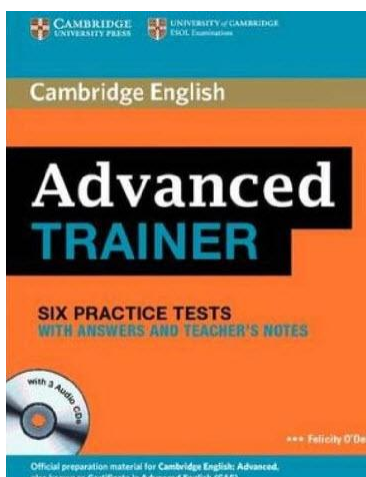
The discussion took **the best part of** an hour.

We waited for **the better part of an hour**, then called again.

The best part of the meeting was taken up by budgetary matters.

Sorting out this problem took **the better part of** the day.

La mayor parte de algo



3. Be at it again.



“Are they at it again?”

be at it again

doing something again.

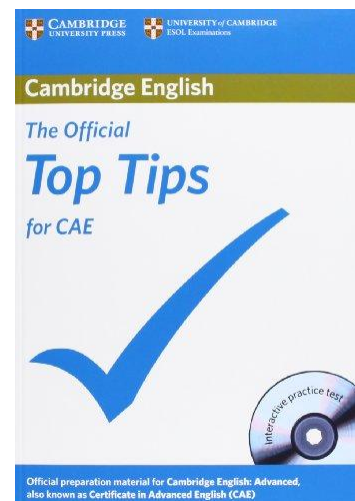
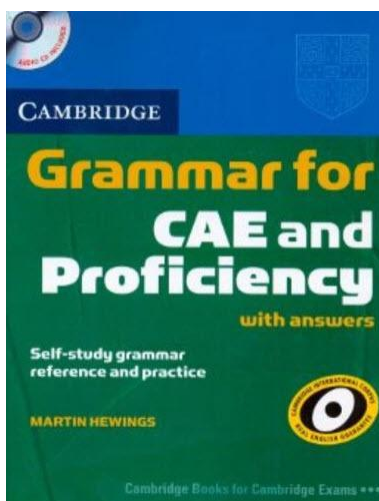
I asked Tom to stop playing his trumpet, but he's **at it again**.

They **are at it again**. Why are they always fighting?

That night the three room mates **were at it again**. Arguing and yelling.

Estar liados otra vez (haciendo algo)

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4. In full force



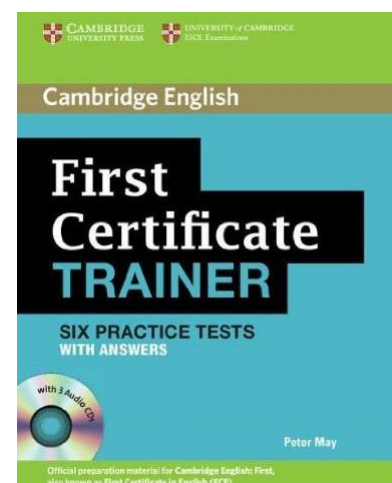
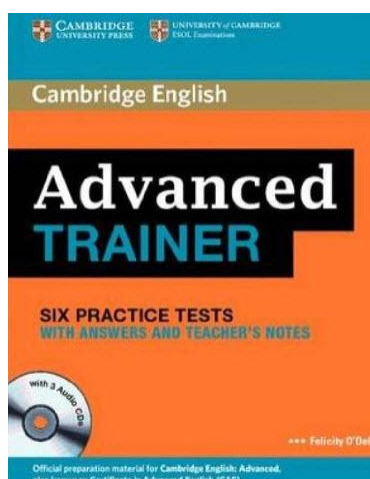
in full force

if a group of people are at a place in full force, all of them are there.
Heidi's side of the family were there **in full force** but Bill's brother
was the only one to show up.

The firefighters turned up for the funeral **in full force**
to pay tribute to their chief.

While we were on Capitol Hill July 26, the debt limit
crisis was **in full force**.

Estar (todos) presente



5. be in line with something

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similar to, or at the same level as something:

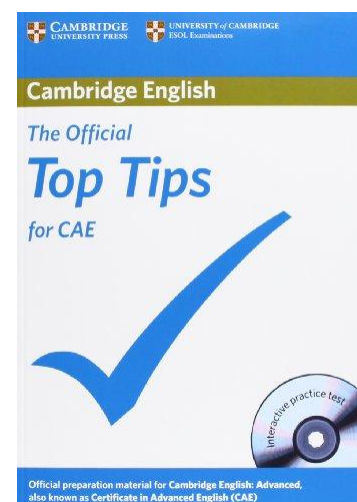
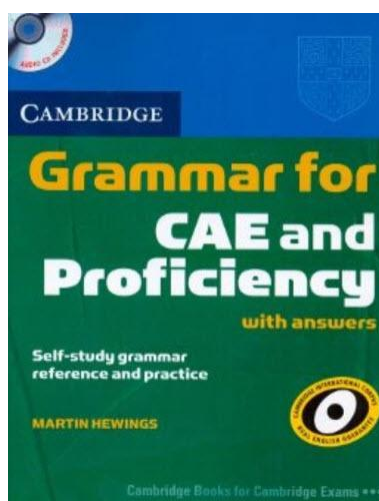
The company's results are **in line with** stock market expectations.

We're seeking a pay rise that's **in line with** inflation.

The company's profits were **in line with** what was expected.

en la misma línea que algo/

en consonancia / en concordancia con algo



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