

[к/лм] **v** (*came; come*)

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1. 1) приходиться: идти

to come to the office [to the meeting] - приходиться на службу [на собрание]

to come home - приходиться домой [*см. тж.* ◇]

to come down - спускаться, опускаться

please ask him to come down - пожалуйста, попросите его сойти вниз

the curtain came down - занавес опустился

to come up - подниматься, идти вверх

I saw him coming up the hill - я видел, как он поднимался в гору

the diver came up at last - наконец водолаз появился на поверхности /вынырнул/

the curtain came up - занавес поднялся

to come along the street - идти по улице

I saw him coming along the road - я видел, как он шёл по дороге

to come by - проходить мимо

I will wait here until he comes by - я буду ждать здесь, пока он не пройдёт (мимо)

to come forward - выходить вперёд, выступить (*из рядов и т. п.*)

volunteers, come forward - добровольцы, (шаг) вперёд!

to come in - входить

ask him to come in - попросите его войти

to come into a room - входить, в комнату

to come out - выходить

when he came out (of the house) it was dark - когда он вышел (из дома), было уже темно

the moon has come out - взошла луна

to come out of one's shell - выйти из своей скорлупы

to come back - вернуться, прийти назад

he will come back - он возвратится

to come late [early] - приходиться поздно [рано]

to come to smb. for advice - прийти к кому-л. за советом

he often comes to see me - он часто навещает меня

come and see what I have found - приходите посмотреть, что я нашёл

2) приезжать, прибывать

the train comes at three o'clock - поезд прибывает в три часа

he came to London last night - он приехал в Лондон вчера вечером

he has come a long way - он приехал издалека [*ср. тж.* ◇]**2. идти; ехать**

I'm coming with you - я иду с вами

come! - пошли!, идём!

coming! - иду! сейчас!

are you coming my way? - вам со мной по пути?

to come past - проходить мимо

a number of people came past - мимо прошло много народу

the soldier had orders not to let anybody come past - солдат получил приказ никого не пропускать

to come and go - ходить /сновать/ взад и вперёд

we have come many miles (by train) - мы проехали (поездом) много миль

3. (часто to) подходить, приближаться

the train is coming to the station - поезд подходит к станции

come nearer! - подойди ближе!

the girl started when he came near - девочка вздрогнула, когда он приблизился

I now come to the third point - теперь я перехожу к третьему вопросу

4. (обыкн. to)**1) доходить, достигать**

the forest came to the very bank - лес доходил до самого берега

does the railway come right to the town? - подходит ли железнодорожная линия к самому городу?

his voice came to me through the mist - его голос доносился /долетал/ до меня сквозь туман

through the open window came the sounds of a piano - из открытого окна раздавались звуки рояля

it came to me /to my ears/ that ... - до меня дошло, что ..., мне стало известно, что ...

it came to me at last that ... - наконец до моего сознания дошло, что ... [*ср. тж.* 6, 1]**2) равняться, достигать**

your bill comes to £10 - ваш счёт равняется десяти фунтам

his earnings come to £1,000 a year - его заработок составляет тысячу фунтов стерлингов в год

let us put it all together and see what it will come to - давайте сложим всё это и посмотрим, что получится

3) сводиться (к чему-л.)

it all comes to the same thing - всё это сводится к одному и тому же

what he knows does not come to much - его знания невелики

to come to nothing /to naught/ - окончиться ничем, свестись к нулю; сойти на нет

4) прийти (к чему-л.); достичь (чего-л.)

to come to an understanding - прийти к соглашению, договориться

to come to a decision - принять решение
to come to an end - прийти к концу, закончиться

5. 1) наступать, приходиться

spring came - пришла /наступила/ весна
a crisis is coming - приближается кризис
his turn came - наступила его очередь, настал его черёд
ill luck came to me - меня постигла неудача
dinner came at last - наконец подали обед /обед был подан/
success is yet to come - успех ещё впереди

2) ожидать, предстоять

the time to come - будущее
the years to come - грядущие годы
the life to come - будущая жизнь
orders to come - предстоящие заказы
for three months to come - в течение трёх следующих месяцев

6. 1) появляться, возникать

an idea came into his head - ему пришла в голову мысль, у него возникла идея
inspiration came to him - на него нашло вдохновение
it came to me - а) у меня появилась /возникла/ мысль; б) я припомнил, [ср. тж. 4, 1])
it comes to me that I owe you money - я припоминаю, что я вам должен (деньги)
his colour came and went - он то краснел, то бледнел
he tried to speak but no word would come from his mouth - он хотел что-то сказать, но не мог вымолвить ни слова

2) находиться

on what page does it come? - на какой это странице?

7. случаться; происходить; проистекать

this comes from disobedience - это происходит от непослушания
how did it come that you quarrelled? - как это (случилось, что) вы поссорились?
no harm will come to you - с тобой ничего не случится; тебе ничего не грозит
be ready for whatever comes - будь готов ко всему
come what may - будь что будет

8. выходить, получаться, приводить

to come to good - дать хороший результат
to come to no good - плохо кончить
to come to harm - пострадать; попасть в беду, неприятность *и т. п.*
it will come all right in the end - в конце концов всё будет в порядке /образуется/
nothing came of the matter - из этого дела ничего не вышло
no good will come of it - ничего хорошего из этого, не получится, это до добра не доведёт
a dream that came true - сбывшаяся мечта
the dress would not come as she wanted - платье получилось не таким, как ей хотелось
her jelly won't come - желе у неё не застывало
the butter came very quickly today - сегодня масло сбилось очень быстро

9. происходить, иметь происхождение

this word comes from Latin - это слово латинского происхождения
this book comes from his library - эта книга из его библиотеки
he comes from London - он родом из Лондона
she comes from a well-known family - она происходит из известной семьи

10. доставаться

the house is coming to his son after his death - после его смерти дом достанется /перейдёт к/ сыну

11. прорасти, всходить, расти

the corn comes - пшеница всходит
the barley had come remarkably well - ячмень дал отличные всходы

12. *амер. разг.* устроить, сделать (что-л.)

to come a trick over one's pal - сыграть плохую шутку со своим другом

13. *разг.* испытать оргазм, кончить

14. (тж. come on, come now) в *грам. знач.* междометия выражает

1) побуждение к совершению какого-л. действия ну!, живо!, давай!

come out with it, boy - ну, парень, выкладывай

2) *упрёк, протест* ну что вы!

what? He here! Oh! come, come! - как? Он здесь?! Да оставьте /бросьте/ вы!

3) *увещевание* полно!, ну, ну!

come, come, you shouldn't speak like that! - ну полно, вы не должны так говорить!
now come! be patient! - ну потерпите, имей(те) терпение
come, come, don't be so foolish! - ну, ну, не дури /не глуми!/
15. в *грам. знач.* *сущ.* (the to come) будущее

16. в *грам. знач.* *предлога* (если) считать, считая с (такого-то дня)

a fortnight come Sunday - через две недели (считая) со следующего воскресенья
it'll be a year come Monday since he left - в будущий понедельник год, как он уехал

II A

1. становиться (*известным*); приобретать (*какое-л. положение*)

to come into notice - привлечь внимание

- author who is beginning to come into notice - автор, который начинает завоевывать известность
 to come into the public eye - привлечь к себе внимание общественности
 to come into prominence - стать известным
2. вступать (*во владение*); получить (*в наследство*)
 he came into some money [a property, an estate] - он получил в наследство немного денег [недвижимое имущество, поместье]
 he came into an inheritance - он получил наследство
3. вступать (*в должность и т. п.*)
 to come into office - вступить в должность прийти к власти
 he came into power - он пришёл к власти
4. 1) вступать (*в конфликт в сговор*)
 to come into conflict - вступить в конфликт
 to come into collision - столкнуться, войти в противоречие
- 2) переходить (*в другую фазу*)
 to come into flower /bloom/ - расцвести, выходить в цветок, вступать в пору цветения
 to come into ear - колоситься, выходить в колос
5. войти (*в употребление обиход и т. п.*)
 to come into use [into fashion] - войти в употребление [в моду]
 to come into disuse - выйти из употребления
6. вступить (*в силу и т. п.*)
 to come into effect /force/ - вступить в силу
 to come into operation - начать действовать или применяться; вступить в силу
7. входить (*в компетенцию, обязанности кого-л.*)
 to come within the terms of reference - относиться к ведению /компетенции/
 that doesn't come within my duties - это не входит в мои обязанности

II Б

1. *to come across smb., smth.* случайно встретить кого-л., что-л.; случайно встретиться с кем-л., чем-л., натолкнуться на кого-л., что-л.
 he came across the man in the street - он случайно встретил этого человека на улице
 I came across these lines by chance - я случайно натолкнулся на эти строки
 I came across a very interesting book - мне попалась, очень интересная книга
2. *to come after smb., smth.*
 1) домогаться чего-л., преследовать кого-л.
 to come after a situation - искать место /службу/
 2) следовать, идти за
 after Monday comes Tuesday - после понедельника идёт вторник
 N comes after **M** - за буквой «М» следует «Н»
 after Anne comes George I - после Анны царствовал Георг I
- 3) наследовать
 to come after one's father - наследовать имение своего отца
3. 1) *to come against smb.* нападать на кого-л., атаковать кого-л.
 the enemy now came against us in larger numbers - теперь противник атаковал нас более крупными силами
- 2) *to come against smth.* столкнуться с чем-л., наткнуться на что-л.
 one does not often come (up) against an experience of this nature - такое не часто встретишь
4. *to come at smb., smth.*
 1) нападать, набрасываться на кого-л., что-л.
 the dog came at the boy - собака бросилась на мальчика
 he came at me in fury - он яростно набросился на меня
 just let me come at you! - дай мне только добраться до тебя!
- 2) налететь; натолкнуться
 he came at the fence at full speed - он со всего маху врезался в забор
- 3) *амер.* подразумевать, намекать
 what are you coming at? - что вы имеете в виду?, на что вы намекаете?
- 4) добираться до сути *и т. п.*; доискиваться чего-л.
 to come at the truth - раскрыть /обнаружить/ правду
- 5) получать, добывать что-л.
 money was very hard to come at - деньги было очень трудно добыть,
- 6) пройти, попасть, кому-л.
 if only I could come at his secretary - если бы только я смог повидать его секретаря
- 7) *австрал., новозел. разг.* взяться за что-л., предпринять что-л.
 I told you before I wouldn't come at that again - я вам уже сказал, что я не возьмусь за это снова
5. *to come before smth.*
 1) быть *или* считаться более важным
 your health comes before everything - самое главное - это ваше здоровье
 the commonweal comes before everything - общественное благо превышает всего
- 2) предстать
 when he comes before the court - когда он предстанет перед судом
- 3) подлежать рассмотрению
 these cases come before a conciliation court - эти дела подсудны суду примирительного производства
6. *to come between smb., smth.* вмешиваться

he came between us - он встал между нами; он разлучил нас
you must not let play come between you and your work - развлечения не должны мешать вашей работе

7. **to come by smth.** приобрести, получить, достать что-л.
this book is difficult to come by - эту книгу трудно достать
how did you come by that money? - откуда у вас эти деньги?

8. **to come into smth.**

1) принять участие в чём-л.; присоединиться к чему-л.
to come into a scheme - присоединиться к плану; принять участие в проекте

2) появляться на свет **и т. п.**, возникать
to come into being /existence/ - возникать, появляться
to come into the world - родиться на свет

9. **to come off smth.** сходить, слезать с чего-л.

come off the ladder! - слезь с лестницы!
he came off the train - он сошёл с поезда
come off the grass! - по траве не ходите!, сойдите с газона [**см. тж.** ◇]
to come off (the) curve - **спорт.** выйти на прямую (*из поворота*)

10. **to come on smth.** наткаться, наталкиваться на что-л.

we shall come on it sooner or later - рано или поздно мы столкнёмся с этим

11. **to come out of smth.** вытекать, являться результатом чего-л.

it comes out of the economy with which work is managed - это является результатом экономии, с которой ведётся работа
can good come out of such scenes? - могут ли такие сцены довести до добра?

12. **to come over smb.**

1) овладевать кем-л., захватывать кого-л.
sadness came over his spirit - им овладела грусть, он загрустил
a fit of dizziness came over her - она почувствовала головокружение
whatever has come over you to speak like that? - что на вас нашло, почему вы так разговариваете?
a change came over him - в нём произошла перемена

2) **разг.** взять верх, перехитрить, обойти кого-л.

you are not going to come over me in this manner! - уж не хотите ли вы перехитрить меня таким образом?

13. **разг.**

1) **to come round smb.** обмануть, перехитрить, обойти кого-л.

he is certain to come round his uncle - он, конечно, обойдёт /перехитрит/ своего дядюшку
you can't come round me in that way - вы меня так не проведёте

2) **to come round smth.** обойти что-л., уклониться от чего-л.

to come round an objection [a difficulty] - обойти возражение [трудность]

14. **to come through smth.**

1) проникать сквозь что-л.

the rain has come through his clothes - он насквозь промок (под дождём)
no chink of light came through the closed shutters - сквозь закрытые ставни совсем не проникал свет

2) перенести, пережить что-л.

to come through an illness - благополучно перенести болезнь, выжить
she has come through the anaesthetic remarkably well - она прекрасно перенесла анестезию
to come through trials - пройти через испытания
he had come through the war - он уцелел в войне

15. **to be coming to smb.** **амер. разг.** причитаться, следовать кому-л.; доставаться кому-л.

you will get what's coming to you - а) ты получишь, что тебе причитается б) ты не уйдёшь от расплаты
a small sum of money was coming to him - ему причиталась небольшая сумма денег

16. **to come under smth.**

1) подходить, подпадать

it comes under another section - это относится к другому разделу

2) подвергаться действию чего-л.

to come under smb.'s influence - подпасть под чьё-л. влияние
to come under smb.'s notice - обращать на себя чьё-л. внимание
to come under the penalty of the law - подлежать, наказанию по закону

17. **to come upon smb., smth.**

1) натолкнуться на кого-л., что-л.; случайно встретиться с кем-л., чем-л.

we came upon them in Paris - мы случайно встретились с ними в Париже

2) напасть на кого-л., атаковать кого-л., что-л.

the enemy came upon us unawares - противник напал на нас неожиданно
the brush fire came upon them from all sides - лесной пожар окружил их стеной огня

18. **to come upon smb.** прийти в голову кому-л. (**о мысли и т. п.**)

it came upon me that I had seen this man before - мне показалось, что я видел раньше /где-то встречал/ этого человека
it came upon me that calamity lay ahead - у меня было предчувствие беды
I cannot think what has come upon you - я не понимаю, что на вас нашло

19. **to come upon smb. for smth.** предъявить кому-л. требование в отношении чего-л.

to come upon smb. for £20 damage - предъявить претензию на 20 фунтов в покрытие убытков

20. **to come to do smth.** начинать делать что-л.

to come to love smb. - полюбить кого-л.

later I came to know him better - впоследствии я узнал его лучше

to come to know one's opponent - изучить, противника

in the end you will come to understand it - в конце концов вы поймёте это

to come to pass - происходить

how did you come to hear of it? - как случилось, что вы узнали /услышали, прослышали/ об этом?, как вы узнали об этом?, как вам удалось узнать, об этом?

to come to stay - укорениться, привиться, получить признание

mechanization has come to stay - механизация прочно вошла в жизнь

this material has come to be used in many branches of industry - этот материал стал использоваться во многих отраслях промышленности

21. to come to a condition приходить в какое-л. состояние

to come to a sudden stop - внезапно остановиться

to come to a full stop - остановиться, зайти в тупик

to come to a standstill - а) остановиться; б) зайти в тупик

to come to rest - *срп.* остановиться (об осадке сооружения)

to come to the front - выйти на передний план, выдвинуться, занять ведущее место

22. to come out of a condition выходить из какого-л. состояния

he came out of his reverie - он очнулся от своих мыслей /мечтаний/

23. to come near smth. *разг.* быть на грани чего-л.

I come near forgetting my glasses! - я чуть не позабыл очки!

III A

как глагол-связка

1. в составном именном сказуемом:

1) становиться

to come undone - а) расстегнуться, развязаться; your shoe-laces have come undone /untied, loose/ - у вас развязались шнурки; б) раскрыться

she is coming fifteen - ей пятнадцатый год

to come of age - достичь совершеннолетия

the dead things seemed to come alive - казалось, что мёртвые предметы оживили

to come true - сбываться, осуществляться, претворяться в жизнь

some day your dream will come true - когда-нибудь ваша мечта осуществится

to come unstuck - *разг.* провалиться, не осуществиться, пойти прахом

2) быть, являться

to come natural (to smb.) - быть естественным (для кого-л.)

to come easy (to smb.) - не представлять трудностей (для кого-л.)

it came as a surprise - это явилось (для меня) полной неожиданностью

it will come very cheap [expensive] to you - это обойдётся /станет/ вам очень дёшево [дорого]

3) выпускаться; продаваться

they come in all shapes - они бывают /встречаются/ всех видов, они бывают разные

the dress comes in three sizes - (в продаже) имеются три размера этого платья

this soup comes in a can - этот суп продаётся в жестяных банках /расфасован в жестяные банки/

2. в сочетании с последующим причастием настоящего времени называет действие, выраженное причастием:

he came riding - он приехал верхом

he came galloping - он прискакал галопом

he came running (up) - он прибежал

the rain came pouring (down) - полил дождь

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to come home - а) попасть в цель; ≅ попасть не в бровь, а в глаз; б) задеть за живое; [*см. тж.* I 1, 1)]

to come home to smb. - а) доходить до чьего-л. сознания; б) растрогать кого-л. до глубины души, найти отклик в чьей-л. душе

to come short of smth. - а) испытывать недостаток в чём-л.; б) не хватать; her money came short of her expenditure - ей не хватило денег на расходы; в) не соответствовать; не оправдать ожиданий /надежд/; this comes short of accepted standards - это не соответствует/уступает/ принятым нормам

to come to a head - а) созреть (о *нарыве*); б) назреть, перейти в решающую стадию

to come to light - обнаружиться, стать известным

to come in(to) sight /into view - появиться, показаться

oh, come off it! - *амер. груб.* а) заткнись!, брось трепаться!; б) перестань!, хватит!, прекрати!

come off your perch /your high horse!/ - не зазнавайтесь!, не задирайте нос!

come off the grass! - а) не вмешивайтесь не в свои дела!; б) брось задаваться!; брось преувеличивать!; не ври!

to come out of action - а) *воен.* выйти из боя; б) выйти /выбыть/ из строя

come out of that! - перестань вмешиваться!, не суйся!, не лезь!

to come a long way - преуспеть [*ср. тж.* I 1, 2)]

to come the old soldier over smb. - а) поучать кого-л., командовать кем-л.; б) обманывать, надувать кого-л.

come quick! - *радио* сигнал общего вызова /«всем»/

to come one's way /*амер.* ways/ - выпасть на чью-л. долю (*особ.* о чём-л. благоприятном)

to come to the point - а) говорить по существу дела; б) делать стойку (о собаке)

to come into play - а) начать действовать; б) быть полезным, пригодиться

to come it strong - *сл.* а) зайти слишком далеко; хватить через край; б) действовать решительно, быть напористым

that is coming it a little too strong - это уж слишком!

not to know whether /if/ one is coming or going - растеряться, потерять голову; не знать, на каком ты свете

come day, go day - ≅ день да ночь, сутки прочь

it's come day, go day with him - ему ни до чего нет дела; день прожил - и ладно
 everything comes to him who waits - кто ждёт, тот дожждётся; ≅ терпение и труд всё перетрут
 after dinner comes the reckoning - поел - плати; ≅ любишь кататься, люби и саночки возить
 he who comes uncalled, sits unserved - пришёл без приглашения - не жди угощения

come

• **ˌ** **ɪ** **ˌ** **come** [come comes came coming] verb, preposition, exclamation, noun *BrE*
 [kʌm] ^ˈ *NAmE* [kʌm] ^ˈ
 verb (came *BrE* [keɪm] ^ˈ ; *NAmE* [keɪm] ^ˈ come)

TO A PLACE

- intransitive** to move to or towards a person or place
 - (+ **adv./prep.**) He came into the room and shut the door.
 - She comes to work by bus.
 - My son is coming home soon.
 - Come here!
 - Come and see us soon!
 - **Here comes** Jo! (= Jo is coming)
 - There's a storm coming.
 - ~ **to do sth** They're coming to stay for a week. In spoken English **come** can be used with **and** plus another verb, instead of with **to** and the infinitive, to show purpose or to tell sb what to do
 - When did she last come and see you?
 - Come and have your dinner. The **and** is sometimes left out, especially in *NAmE*
 - **Come have** your dinner.
- intransitive** ~ (to...) to arrive at or reach a place
 - They continued until they came to a river.
 - What time did you come (= to my house) ?
 - Spring came late this year.
 - Your breakfast is coming soon.
 - Have any letters come for me?
 - Help came at last.
 - The CD **comes complete** with all the words of the songs.
 - The time has come (= now is the moment) to act.
- intransitive** to arrive somewhere in order to do sth or get sth
 - ~ **for sth** I've come for my book.
 - ~ **about sth** I've come about my book.
 - ~ **to do sth** I've come to get my book.
 - ~ **doing sth** He came looking for me.
- intransitive** to move or travel, especially with sb else, to a particular place or in order to be present at an event
 - I've only come for an hour.
 - Thanks for coming (= to my house, party, etc.) .
 - ~ **(to sth) (with sb)** Are you coming to the club with us tonight?
 - ~ **doing sth** Why don't you come skating tonight?

RUNNING/HURRYING ETC.

- intransitive** ~ **doing sth** (+ **adv.prep.**) to move in a particular way or while doing sth else
 - The children came running into the room.

TRAVEL

- intransitive** + **noun** to travel a particular distance
 - We've come 50 miles this morning.
 - (figurative) The company has **come a long way** (= made lot of progress) in the last 5 years.

HAPPEN

- intransitive** to happen
 - The agreement came after several hours of negotiations.
 - The rains came too late to do any good.
 - The high point of the concert came during the drum solo.
 - ~ **as sth** Her death came as a terrible shock to us.
 - His resignation came as no surprise.
- transitive** ~ **to do sth** used in questions to talk about how or why sth happened
 - How did he come to break his leg?
 - How do you come to be so late?

see also ↑how come?

TO A POSITION/STATE

- intransitive** + **adv./prep.** (not used in the progressive tenses) to have a particular position
 - That comes a long way down my list of priorities.
 - His family comes first (= is the most important thing in his life) .
 - She came second (= received the second highest score) in the exam.

10. **intransitive ~ to/into sth** used in many expressions to show that sth has reached a particular state

- At last winter **came to an end** .
- He **came to power** in 2006.
- When will they **come to a decision** ?
- The trees are coming into leaf.

11. **intransitive** (not used in the progressive tenses) (*of goods, products, etc.*) to be available or to exist in a particular way

- ~ **in sth** This dress comes in black and red.
- + **adj.** (informal) New cars don't **come cheap** (= they are expensive) .

12. **intransitive, transitive** to become

- + **adj.** The buttons had come undone.
- The handle came loose.
- Everything will **come right** in the end.
- ~ **to do sth** This design came to be known as the Oriental style.

13. **transitive ~ to do sth** to reach a point where you realize, understand or believe sth

- In time she came to love him.
- She had come to see the problem in a new light.
- I've come to expect this kind of behaviour from him.

SEX

14. **intransitive (slang)** to have an ↑orgasm

Rem: Most idioms containing come are at the entries for the nouns or adjectives in the idioms, for example come a cropper is at cropper.

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	come
	BrE /kʌm/
	NAmE /kʌm/
he / she / it	comes
	BrE /kʌmz/
	NAmE /kʌmz/
past simple	came
	BrE /keɪm/
	NAmE /keɪm/
past participle	come
	BrE /kʌm/
	NAmE /kʌm/
-ing form	coming
	BrE /'kʌmɪŋ/
	NAmE /'kʌmɪŋ/

Word Origin:

Old English cuman, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **komen** and German **kommen**.

Thesaurus:

come verb

1. I

- Come in and shut the door.

come along • |written **draw** • |formal **approach** • • **near** •

Opp: go

come/draw **in/into sth**

come/draw **up/up to sb/sth**

come/draw **close/near/closer/nearer**

2. I

- I've come to get my book.

arrive • • **appear** • • **come in** • • **land** • |especially spoken **get here/there** • • **get in** • • **turn up** • |informal **show up** • • **roll in** • • **show** •

come/arrive **for sb**

come/arrive/appear/land/turn up/ show up/show **here/there**

be the first/last to come/arrive/appear/come in/land/get here/turn up/get in/show up/roll in

3. I

- The time came to leave.

arrive • • **approach** • |written **near** • • **draw near** •

Opp: go

spring/summer/autumn/fall/winter comes/arrives/approaches/draws near

the **day/time** comes/arrives/approaches/draws near

come/arrive **early/late**

4. I

- I'm sorry, I can't come to the party.

go • • **come along** • • **make it** • |formal **attend** •

come/go/come along/make it **to sth**

come to/go to/come along to/make it to/attend a **meeting/wedding/party**

come to/go to/attend a **conference**

5. I, T

- He came to England by ship

go • • **travel** •

come/go/travel **from/to** sth

come/go/travel **with** sb

come/go/travel by **air/sea/boat/ship/train/car**

Come or go? Use **come** if you are at the place where the journey ends; use **go** if you are at the place where it starts

• I hope you can come to France to visit us.

• We're going to France to visit our son.

6.

• In time she came to love him.

• The handle came loose.

grow • • **get** • • **become** •

come/grow/get **to know/like** sb/sth

come/become **loose**

Grow and come In this meaning, these two verbs are either followed by an adjective (**come loose/grow calm**) or by 'to' + infinitive (**I came/grew to realize /understand, etc.**)

Synonyms:

return

come back • go back • get back • turn back

These words all mean to come or go back from one place to another.

return • to come or go back from one place to another. ▫ I waited a long time for him to return.

Return is slightly more formal than the other words in this group, and is used more often in writing or formal speech.

come back • to return. **Come back** is usually used from the point of view of the person or place that sb returns to: ▫ Come back and visit again soon!

go back • to return to the place you recently or originally came from or that you have been to before. **Go back** is usually used from the point of view of the person who is returning: ▫ Do you ever want to go back to China?

get back • to arrive back somewhere, especially at your home or the place where you are staying: ▫ What time did you get back last night?

turn back • to return the way that you came, especially because sth stops you from continuing: ▫ The weather got so bad that we had to turn back.

to return/come back/go back/get back **to/from/with** sth

to return/come back/go back/get back/turn back **again**

to return/come back/go back/get back **home/to work**

to return/come back/get back **safely**

Example Bank:

- I've come to expect this kind of behaviour from him.
- Are you coming to the theatre with us this evening?
- Come back, I need to talk to you!
- He came towards me.
- He doesn't come across very well when he speaks in public.
- I've come for those books you promised me.
- She comes across as shy, but she's actually very confident.
- At last, the time came to leave.
- Business improved as Christmas came nearer.
- Despite all the publicity, not many people came.
- Dusk came quickly.
- He came to England by ship.
- He wanted to be buried beside her when the time came.
- He's come all the way from Tokyo.
- Here comes Jo!
- How far have you come?
- I hope you can come to Australia to visit us.
- I never thought the day would come when I'd feel sorry for him.
- I'm sorry, I won't be able to come.
- I've come about my book.
- I've come to see Mrs Cooper.
- If you can't come to the meeting, let us know in advance.
- If you come late, the doctor may not be able to see you.
- It looks as if there's a storm coming.
- Let me know if any more mail comes.
- People came from all over the country.
- People came from all over the world to settle here.
- Please come to my party on September 10th.
- She came to work wearing a very smart suit.
- Thanks for coming!
- The deadline came and went, but there was no reply from them.
- The time had come to let a younger person lead the party.
- They're coming to stay for a week.
- We've come a long way and we're very tired.

- When is your son coming home?
- When the moment actually came, I began to feel a little nervous
- Why don't you come skating with us tonight?
- Your breakfast is coming soon!

Idioms: as clever/stupid as they come ▪ ↑come again? ▪ ↑come and go ▪ come easily/naturally to somebody ▪ come over faint/dizzy/giddy ▪ ↑come to nothing ▪ ↑come to that ▪ ↑come what may ▪ ↑how come? ▪ ↑if it comes to that ▪ ↑not come to anything ▪ ↑not come to much ▪ ↑when it comes to to doing something ▪ ↑where somebody is coming from

Derived ↑come about ▪ ↑come across ▪ ↑come across somebody ▪ ↑come after somebody ▪ ↑come along ▪ ↑come apart ▪ ↑come at somebody ▪ ↑come at something ▪ ↑come away ▪ ↑come away with something ▪ ↑come back ▪ ↑come back to something ▪ ↑come before somebody ▪ ↑come between somebody and somebody ▪ ↑come by ▪ ↑come by something ▪ ↑come down ▪ ↑come down on somebody ▪ ↑come down to something ▪ ↑come down with something ▪ ↑come forward ▪ ↑come from something ▪ ↑come from ... ▪ ↑come in ▪ ↑come in for something ▪ ↑come into something ▪ ↑come of something ▪ ↑come off ▪ ↑come off it ▪ ↑come off something ▪ ↑come on ▪ ↑come on somebody ▪ ↑come on to somebody ▪ ↑come on to something ▪ ↑come out ▪ ↑come out at something ▪ ↑come out in something ▪ ↑come out of something ▪ ↑come out of yourself ▪ ↑come out with something ▪ ↑come over ▪ ↑come over somebody ▪ ↑come round ▪ ↑come through ▪ ↑come to ▪ ↑come to somebody ▪ ↑come to something ▪ ↑come to yourself ▪ ↑come together ▪ ↑come under something ▪ ↑come up ▪ ↑come up against somebody ▪ ↑come up for something ▪ ↑come up to something ▪ ↑come up with something ▪ ↑come upon somebody

preposition (old-fashioned, informal)

when the time mentioned comes

- They would have been married forty years come this June.
- Come next week she'll have changed her mind.

Word Origin:

Old English cuman, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch **komen** and German **kommen**.

exclamation (old-fashioned) used when encouraging sb to be sensible or reasonable, or when showing slight disapproval

- Oh come now, things aren't as bad as all that.
- Come, come, Miss Jones, you know perfectly well what I mean.

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noun uncountable (slang)

↑semen

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See also: ↑come over ▪ ↑come to

▪ **II. to 'come idiom**

(used after a noun) in the future

- They may well regret the decision **in years to come** .
- This will be a problem **for some time to come** (= for a period of time in the future) .

Main entry: ↑come_{idiom}

come

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I. come¹ **S1 W1** /kʌm/ **BrE** ^ɹ **AmE** ^ɹ *verb* (past tense **came** /keɪm/, past participle **come**)

[intransitive]

[Language: Old English; Origin: cuman]

1. MOVE TOWARDS SOMEBODY/SOMETHING to move towards you or arrive at the place where you are **OPP go**:

- Let me know when they come.
- Can you come here for a minute?
- Come a bit closer and you'll be able to see better.
- What time will you be coming home?

come in/into/out of etc

- There was a knock on the door and a young woman came into the room.

come to/towards

- I could see a figure coming towards me.

come across/down/up etc

- As they came down the track, the car skidded.

come to do something

- I've come to see Philip.

come and do something

- I'll come and help you move the rest of the boxes.
- Come and look at this!

come running/flying/speeding etc

Jess came flying round the corner and banged straight into me.

come to dinner/lunch

What day are your folks coming to dinner?

here comes somebody/something spoken (=used to say that someone or something is coming towards you)

Ah, here comes the bus at last!

2. GO WITH SOMEBODY if someone comes with you, they go to a place with you:

We're going for a drink this evening. Would you like to come?

come with

I asked Rosie if she'd like to come with us.

come along

It should be good fun. Why don't you come along?

3. TRAVEL TO A PLACE to travel to or reach a place:

Which way did you come?

come through/across/by way of etc

They came over the mountains in the north.

come from

Legend has it that the tribe came from across the Pacific Ocean.

come by car/train/bus etc

Will you be coming by train?

Have you come far (=travelled a long way) today?

I've come a long way to see you.

come 50/100 etc miles/kilometres

Some of the birds have come thousands of miles to winter here.

4. POST if a letter etc comes, it is delivered to you by post **SYN arrive**:

A letter came for you this morning.

The phone bill hasn't come yet.

5. HAPPEN if a time or an event comes, it arrives or happens:

At last the day came for us to set off.

The moment had come for me to break the news to her.

The time will come when you'll thank me for this.

Christmas seems to come earlier every year.

be/have yet to come (=used when something has not happened yet but will happen)

The most exciting part is yet to come.

I knew he'd be able to take care of himself, come what may (=whatever happens).

6. REACH A LEVEL/PLACE [always + adverb/preposition] to reach a particular level or place

come up/down

She had blonde hair which came down to her waist.

The water came up as far as my chest.

7. BE PRODUCED/SOLD [always + adverb/preposition] to be produced or sold with particular features

come in

This particular sofa comes in four different colours.

Cats come in many shapes and sizes.

come with

The computer comes complete with software and games.

8. ORDER [always + adverb/preposition] to be in a particular position in an order, a series, or a list

come before/after

P comes before Q in the alphabet.

come first/second etc

She came first in the 200 metres.

9. come open/undone/loose etc to become open etc:

His shoelace had come undone.

The rope came loose.

10. come to do something

a) to begin to have a feeling or opinion:

He came to think of Italy as his home.

I came to believe that he was innocent after all.

b) to do something by chance, without planning or intending to do it:

Can you tell me how the body came to be discovered?

come to be doing something

I often wondered how I came to be living in such a place.

11. come and go

a) to be allowed to go into and leave a place whenever you want:

The students can come and go as they please.

b) to keep starting and stopping:

The pain comes and goes.

12. take something as it comes to accept something as it happens, without trying to plan for it or change it:

We just take each year as it comes.

He takes life as it comes.

13. have something coming (to you) informal to deserve to be punished or to have something bad happen to you:

I do feel sorry for him, but I'm afraid he had it coming.

14. **as nice/as stupid etc as they come** *informal* extremely nice, stupid etc:

My uncle Walter is as obstinate as they come.

15. **for years/weeks/days etc to come** used to emphasize that something will continue for a long time into the future:

This is a moment that will be remembered and celebrated for years to come.

16. **in years/days to come** in the future:

In years to come, some of the practices we take for granted now will seem quite barbaric.

17. **have come a long way** to have made a lot of progress:

Computer technology has come a long way since the 1970s.

18. **come as a surprise/relief/blow etc (to somebody)** to make someone feel surprised, ↑relieved, disappointed etc:

The decision came as a great relief to us all.

The news will come as no surprise to his colleagues.

19. **come easily/naturally (to somebody)** to be easy for someone to do:

Public speaking does not come easily to most people.

Writing came naturally to her, even as a child.

20. **come of age**

a) to reach the age when you are legally considered to be an adult:

He'll inherit the money when he comes of age.

b) to develop into an advanced or successful form:

Space technology didn't really come of age until the 1950s.

21. **come right out with something/come right out and say something** *informal* to say something in a very direct way, often when other people think this is surprising:

You came right out and told him? I don't know how you dared!

22. **come clean** *informal* to tell the truth about something you have done

come clean about

I think you should come clean about where you were last night.

23. **not know whether you are coming or going** *informal* to feel very confused because a lot of different things are happening:

I don't know whether I'm coming or going this week.

24. **come good/right** *British English informal* to end well, after there have been a lot of problems:

Don't worry, it'll all come right in the end.

25. **come to pass** *literary* to happen after a period of time:

It came to pass that they had a son.

26. **SEX** *informal* to have an ↑orgasm

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SPOKEN PHRASES

27. **come in!** used to tell someone who has knocked on your door to enter your room, house etc:

She tapped timidly on the door. 'Come in!' boomed a deep voice from inside.

28. **how come?** used to ask someone why or how something happened:

How come you've ended up here?

'Last I heard, she was teaching in Mexico.' 'How come?'

29. **come to think of it/come to that** used to add something that you have just realized or remembered:

Come to think of it, George did seem a bit depressed yesterday.

He had never expected to have a wife, or even a girlfriend come to that.

30. **come July/next year/the next day etc** used to talk about a particular time in the future:

Come spring, you'll have plenty of colour in the garden.

31. **come again?** used to ask someone to repeat what they have just said

32. **don't come the innocent/victim/helpless male etc with me** *British English* used to tell someone not to pretend that they are something they are not in order to get sympathy or help from you:

Don't come the poor struggling artist with me. You're just lazy!

33. **come (now)** *old-fashioned* used to comfort or gently encourage someone

34. **come, come!/come now** *old-fashioned* used to tell someone that you do not accept what they are saying or doing

come about *phrasal verb*

1. to happen, especially in a way that is not planned:

The opportunity to get into computing came about quite by accident.

How did this situation come about?

2. if a ship comes about, it changes direction

come across *phrasal verb*

1. **come across somebody/something** to meet, find, or discover someone or something by chance:

I came across an old diary in her desk.

I've never come across anyone quite like her before.

We've come across a few problems that need resolving.

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In written English, people often use **encounter** when writing about problems or difficulties because this sounds more formal than

come across:

▪ The team of researchers had encountered similar problems before.

2. if an idea comes across well, it is easy for people to understand:

Your point really came across at the meeting.

3. if someone comes across in a particular way, they seem to have particular qualities **SYN come over**

come across as

He comes across as a very intelligent sensitive man.

She sometimes comes across as being rather arrogant.

I don't think I came across very well (=seemed to have good qualities) in the interview.

come across with something *phrasal verb*

to provide money or information when it is needed:

I hoped he might come across with a few facts.

come after somebody *phrasal verb*

to look for someone in order to hurt them, punish them, or get something from them:

She was terrified that Trevor would come after her.

come along *phrasal verb*

1. **be coming along** *informal* to be developing or making progress **SYN progress**:

He opened the oven door to see how the food was coming along.

Your English is coming along really well.

2. to appear or arrive:

A bus should come along any minute now.

Take any job opportunity that comes along.

3.

a) to go to a place with someone:

We're going into town – do you want to come along?

b) to go somewhere after someone:

You go on ahead – I'll come along later.

4. **come along!**

a) used to tell someone to hurry up **SYN come on**:

Come along! We're all waiting for you!

b) used to encourage someone to try harder **SYN come on**:

Come along! Don't give up yet!

come apart *phrasal verb*

1. to split or fall into pieces:

I picked the magazine up and it came apart in my hands.

2. to begin to fail:

The whole basis of the agreement was coming apart.

She felt as if her life was coming apart at the seams (=failing completely).

come around *phrasal verb*

1. (also **come round** *British English*) to come to someone's home or the place where they work in order to visit them **SYN come over**:

I'll come around later and see how you are.

Why don't you come round for lunch?

2. (also **come round** *British English*) to change your opinion so that you now agree with someone or are no longer angry with them

come around to

It took him a while to come around to the idea.

Don't worry – she'll come round eventually.

3. (also **come round** *British English*) if a regular event comes around, it happens as usual:

By the time the summer came around, Kelly was feeling much better.

4. *American English* to become conscious again after you have been unconscious **SYN come round** *British English*:

When she came around her mother was sitting by her bed.

come around from

You might feel a little sick when you come around from the anesthetic.

come at somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to move towards someone in a threatening way:

Suddenly, he came at me with a knife.

2. if images, questions, facts etc come at you, you feel confused because there are too many of them at the same time:

Questions were coming at me from all directions.

3. *informal* to consider or deal with a problem in a particular way **SYN approach**:

We need to come at the problem from a different angle.

come away *phrasal verb*

1. to become separated from the main part of something **SYN come off**:

One of the wires in the plug had come away.

I turned some of the pages and they came away in my hand.

2. to leave a place with a particular feeling or idea:

We came away thinking that we had done quite well.

come away with

I came away with the impression that the school was very well run.

come back *phrasal verb*

1. to return to a particular place or person **SYN return**:

My mother was scared that if I left home I'd never come back.

Ginny's left me, and there's nothing I can do to persuade her to come back.

2. to become fashionable or popular again ⇒ **comeback**:

Who'd have thought hippy gear would ever come back!

High heels are coming back into fashion.

3. to appear or start to affect someone or something again **SYN return**:

The pain in her arm came back again.

It took a while for my confidence to come back.

4. if something comes back to you, you remember it or remember how to do it:

As I walked the city streets, the memories came flooding back.

come back to

I can't think of her name at the moment, but it'll come back to me.

5. to reply to someone quickly, often in an angry or unkind way ⇒ **comeback**

come back at

He came back at me immediately, accusing me of being a liar.

come before somebody/something *phrasal verb formal*

to be brought to someone in authority, especially a judge in a law court, to be judged or discussed by them:

When you come before the judge, it's best to tell the truth.

The case will come before the courts next month.

come between somebody *phrasal verb*

1. to make people argue and feel angry with each other, when they had been friends before:

Nothing will ever come between us now.

I didn't want to come between a husband and wife.

2. to prevent someone from giving enough attention to something:

She never let anything come between her and her work.

come by *phrasal verb*

1. **come by something** to manage to get something that is rare or difficult to get:

How did you come by these pictures?

Jobs were hard to come by.

2. **come by (something)** to make a short visit to a place on your way to somewhere else:

He said he'd come by later.

I'll come by the house and get my stuff later, OK?

come down *phrasal verb*

1.

a) if a price, level etc comes down, it gets lower:

It looks as if interest rates will come down again this month.

b) to accept a lower price

come down to

He's asking £5,000, but he may be willing to come down to £4,800.

2. if someone comes down to a place, they travel south to the place where you are:

Why don't you come down for the weekend sometime?

come down to

Are you coming down to Knoxville for Christmas?

3. to fall to the ground:

A lot of trees came down in the storm.

We were still out in the fields when the rain started coming down.

4. **come down on the side of somebody/something** (also **come down in favour of somebody/something**) to decide to support someone or something:

The committee came down in favour of making the information public.

5. *informal* to start to feel normal again after you have been feeling very happy and excited:

He was on a real high all last week and he's only just come down.

6. *informal* to stop feeling the effects of a strong drug:

When I came down, I remembered with horror some of the things I'd said.

7. *British English old-fashioned* to leave a university after completing a period of study

come down on somebody *phrasal verb*

to punish someone or criticize them severely:

We need to come down hard on young offenders.

I made the mistake of answering back, and she came down on me like a ton of bricks (=very severely).

come down to somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. if a complicated situation or problem comes down to something, that is the single most important thing:

It all comes down to money in the end.

2. if something old has come down to you, it has been passed between people over a long period of time until you have it:

The text which has come down to us is only a fragment of the original.

come down with something *phrasal verb*

to get an illness:

I think I'm coming down with a cold.

come for somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to arrive to collect someone or something:

I'll come for you at about eight o'clock.

2. to arrive at a place in order to take someone away by force:

Members of the secret police came for him in the middle of the night.

come forward *phrasal verb*

to offer help to someone, or offer to do something:

So far, only one candidate has come forward.

The police appealed for witnesses to come forward with information.

come from somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. if you come from a place, you were born there or lived there when you were young:

" I come from London originally.

2. to be obtained from a place, thing, or person, or to start or be made somewhere:

" A lot of drugs come from quite common plants.

" My information comes from a very reputable source.

" The idea came from America.

3. to happen as the result of doing something

come from doing something

" Most of her problems come from expecting too much of people.

4. **coming from him/her/you etc** *spoken* used to say that someone should not criticize another person for doing something, because they have done the same thing themselves:

" You think I'm too selfish? That's rich coming from you!

5. **where somebody is coming from** *informal* the basic attitude or opinion someone has, which influences what they think, say, or do:

" I see where you're coming from now.

come in *phrasal verb*

1. if a train, bus, plane, or ship comes in, it arrives at a place:

" What time does your train come in?

come in to

" We come in to Heathrow at nine in the morning.

2. if money or information comes in, you receive it:

" Reports are coming in of a massive earthquake in Mexico.

" We haven't got enough money coming in.

3. to be involved in a plan, deal etc:

" We need some financial advice – that's where Kate comes in.

come in on

" You had the chance to come in on the deal.

4. to join in a conversation or discussion:

" Can I come in here and add something to what you're saying?

5. to become fashionable or popular **OPP go out**:

" Trainers really became popular in the 1980s, when casual sportswear came in.

6. to finish a race

come in first/second etc

" His horse came in second to last.

7. if the [↑]tide comes in, the sea moves towards the land and covers the edge of it **OPP go out**

come in for something *phrasal verb*

come in for criticism/blame/scrutiny to be criticized, blamed etc for something:

" The government has come in for fierce criticism over its handling of this affair.

come into something *phrasal verb*

1. to receive money, land, or property from someone after they have died:

" She'll come into quite a lot of money when her father dies.

2. to be involved in something:

" Josie doesn't come into the movie until quite near the end.

" Where do I come into all this?

3. **come into view/sight** if something comes into view, you begin to see it:

" The mountains were just coming into view.

4. **come into leaf/flower/blossom** to start to produce leaves or flowers:

" The roses are just coming into flower.

5. **not come into it** *spoken* used to say that something is not important:

" Money doesn't really come into it.

6. **come into your own** to become very good, useful, or important in a particular situation:

" On icy roads, a four-wheel drive vehicle really comes into its own.

come of something *phrasal verb*

to happen as a result of something:

" I did ask a few questions, but nothing came of it.

" That's what comes of not practising – you've forgotten everything!

come off *phrasal verb*

1. **come off (something)** to become removed from something:

" The label had come off, so there was no way of knowing what was on the disk.

2. **come off (something)** *British English* to fall off something:

" Dyson came off his bike as he rounded the last corner, but wasn't badly hurt.

3. *informal* if something that has been planned comes off, it happens:

" In the end the trip never came off.

4. *informal* to be successful:

" It was a good idea, but it didn't quite come off.

" The performance on the first night came off pretty well.

5. **come off something** to stop taking a drug that you have been taking regularly:

" It wasn't until I tried to come off the pills that I realized I was addicted.

6. **come off best/better/worst etc** *British English* to be the most or least successful, or get the most or least advantages from a situation:

As far as pensions go, it's still women who come off worst.

7. **come off it!** *British English spoken* used to tell someone that you do not believe what they are saying:

Oh come off it! You can't seriously be saying you knew nothing about this.

come on *phrasal verb*

1. **come on!** *spoken*

a) used to tell someone to hurry:

Come on, we'll be late!

b) used to encourage someone to do something:

Come on, you can do it!

Come on, cheer up!

c) used to tell someone that you know that what they have just said was not true or right:

Oh come on, don't lie!

d) used to make someone angry enough to want to fight you:

Come on, then, hit me!

2. **come on in/over/up etc** *spoken* used to tell someone to come in, over, up etc, usually in a friendly way:

Come on in – I've made some coffee.

3. if a light or machine comes on, it starts working:

A dog started barking and lights came on in the house.

4. if an illness comes on, you start to be ill with it:

I can feel a headache coming on.

5. if a television or radio programme comes on, it starts:

Just at that moment, the news came on.

6. if rain or snow comes on, it starts:

The rain came on just before lunchtime.

7. to come onto a stage or sports field:

He scored only two minutes after he'd come on.

8. to improve or make progress:

The children are really coming on now.

Your English is coming on really well.

9. **come on somebody/something** to find or discover someone or something by chance:

We came on a group of students having a picnic.

10. **come on strong** *informal* to make it very clear to someone that you think they are sexually attractive

come on to somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to start talking about a new subject:

I'll come on to this question in a few moments.

2. *informal* if someone comes on to another person, they make it very clear that they are sexually interested in them ⇒ **come-on**:

The way she was coming on to Jack, I'm amazed he managed to get out alive!

come out *phrasal verb*

1. if something comes out, it is removed from a place:

These stains will never come out!

2. if information comes out, people learn about it, especially after it has been kept secret:

No doubt the truth will come out one day.

It's come out that several ministers received payments from the company.

3. if a photograph comes out, it shows a clear picture:

I took some photographs, but they didn't come out.

The wedding photos have come out really well.

4. if a book, record etc comes out, it becomes publicly available:

When is the new edition coming out?

5. if something comes out in a particular way, that is what it is like after it has been made or produced:

I've made a cake, but it hasn't come out very well.

The cover has come out a bit too big.

6. if something you say comes out in a particular way, that is how it sounds or how it is understood:

His words came out as little more than a whisper.

That didn't come out the way I meant it to.

I tried to explain everything to her, but it came out all wrong (=not in the way I intended).

7. if someone comes out in a particular way, that is the situation they are in at the end of an event or series of events:

The more experienced team came out on top.

come out of

She came out of the divorce quite well.

8. to be easy to notice:

His right-wing opinions come out quite strongly in his later writings.

9. to say publicly that you strongly support or oppose a plan, belief etc

come out in favour of

The board of directors has come out in favour of a merger.

come out against

Teachers have come out against the proposed changes.

At least he's got the courage to come out and say what he thinks.

10. if the sun, moon, or stars come out, they appear in the sky:

The sky cleared and the sun came out.

11. if a flower comes out, it opens:

The snowdrops were just starting to come out.

12. if someone comes out, they say that they are ↑**gay** when this was a secret before

come out to

That summer, I decided to come out to my parents.

13. **British English informal** to refuse to work, as a protest:

Nurses have threatened to come out in support of their pay claim.

We decided to **come out on strike**.

14. if a young woman came out in the past, she was formally introduced into upper-class society at a large formal dance

come out at something phrasal verb

if something comes out at a particular amount, that is the amount it adds up to:

The whole trip, including fares, comes out at \$900.

come out in something phrasal verb

come out in spots/a rash etc if you come out in spots etc, spots appear on your body:

If I eat eggs, I come out in a rash.

come out of something phrasal verb

1. to no longer be in a bad situation:

There are signs that the country is coming out of recession.

2. to happen as a result of something:

One or two excellent ideas came out of the meeting.

3. **come out of yourself informal** to start to behave in a more confident way:

Penny's really come out of herself since she started that course.

come out with something phrasal verb

to say something, especially something unusual or unexpected:

The things he comes out with are so funny!

come over phrasal verb

1.

a) if someone comes over, they visit you at your house:

Do you want to come over on Friday evening?

b) if someone comes over, they come to the country where you are

come over to/from

When did your family first come over to America?

2. **come over somebody** if a strong feeling comes over you, you suddenly experience it:

A wave of sleepiness came over me.

I'm sorry about that – I don't know what came over me (=I do not know why I behaved in that way).

3. if an idea comes over well, people can understand it easily:

I thought that the points he was making came over quite clearly.

4. if someone comes over in a particular way, they seem to have particular qualities **SYN come across**:

He didn't come over very well (=seem to have good qualities) in the interview.

come over as

She comes over as a very efficient businesswoman.

5. **come over (all) shy/nervous etc informal** to suddenly become very shy, nervous etc

come round phrasal verb British English

to ↑come around

come through phrasal verb

1. if a piece of information, news etc comes through, it arrives somewhere:

We're still waiting for our exam results to come through.

There is news just coming through of an explosion in a chemical factory.

2. to be made official, especially by having the correct documents officially approved:

I'm still waiting for my divorce to come through.

3. **come through (something)** to continue to live, be strong, or succeed after a difficult or dangerous time **SYN survive**:

If he comes through the operation OK he should be back to normal within a month.

It's been a tough time, but I'm sure you'll come through and be all the wiser for it.

come through with something phrasal verb

to give someone something they need, especially when they have been worried that you would not produce it in time:

Our representative in Hong Kong finally came through with the figures.

come to phrasal verb

1. **come to a decision/conclusion/agreement etc** to decide something, agree on something etc after considering or discussing a situation **SYN reach**:

We came to the conclusion that there was no other way back to the camp.

If they don't come to a decision by midnight, the talks will be abandoned.

2. **come to a halt/stop**

a) to slow down and stop **SYN stop**:

The train came to a stop just yards from the barrier.

b) to stop operating or continuing:

After the election our funding came to an abrupt halt.

3. **come to something** to develop so that a particular situation exists, usually a bad one:

I never thought it would come to this.

We need to be prepared to fight, but hopefully it won't come to that (=that won't be necessary).

All those years of studying, and in the end it all came to nothing.

It's come to something when I'm not allowed to express an opinion in my own house!

what is the world/the country etc coming to? (=used to say that the world etc is in a bad situation)

4. **come to something** to add up to a total amount:

▪ That comes to £23.50.

▪ The bill came to £48.50.

5. **come to somebody** if a thought or idea comes to you, you realize or remember something:

▪ The answer came to me in a flash.

▪ I've forgotten her name, but maybe it'll come to me later.

6. to become conscious again after you have been unconscious:

▪ When he came to, he was lying on the floor with his hands tied behind his back.

7. **when it comes to something** *informal* when you are dealing with something or talking about something:

▪ He's a bit of an expert when it comes to computers.

come under something *phrasal verb*

1. **come under attack/fire/scrutiny etc** to be attacked, shot at etc:

▪ The government has come under attack from opposition leaders over proposals to cut health spending.

2. to be governed or controlled by a particular organization or person:

▪ The organization comes under the authority of the EU.

3. if a piece of information comes under a particular title, you can find it under that title:

▪ The proposals come under three main headings.

come up *phrasal verb*

1. if someone comes up to you, they come close to you, especially in order to speak to you:

▪ One of the teachers came up and started talking to me.

come up to

▪ A man came up to him and asked for a light.

2. if someone comes up to a place, they travel north to the place where you are

come up to

▪ Why don't you come up to New York for the weekend?

3. if a subject comes up, people mention it and discuss it **SYN arise**:

▪ His name came up in the conversation.

▪ The subject of salaries didn't come up.

4. if a problem or difficulty comes up, it appears or starts to affect you **SYN arise**:

▪ I'm afraid I'll have to cancel our date – something's come up.

▪ The same problems come up every time.

5. if a job or an opportunity comes up, it becomes available:

▪ A vacancy has come up in the accounts department.

6. to be dealt with in a law court:

▪ Your case comes up next week.

7. **be coming up** to be going to happen soon:

▪ With Christmas coming up, few people have much money to spare.

8. if the sun or moon comes up, it moves up into the sky where you can see it **SYN rise**:

▪ It was six o'clock, and the sun was just coming up.

9. if a plant comes up, it begins to appear above the ground:

▪ The first spring bulbs are just coming up.

10. if food comes up, it goes back through your mouth from your stomach after being swallowed ⇒ **vomit**

11. **coming (right) up!** *spoken* used to say that food or drink will be ready very soon:

▪ 'Two Martinis, please.' 'Coming up!'

come up against something/somebody *phrasal verb*

to have to deal with problems or difficulties:

▪ We may find we come up against quite a lot of opposition from local people.

▪ You've got no idea of what you're going to come up against.

come up for something *phrasal verb*

1. **come up for discussion/examination /review etc** to be discussed, examined etc:

▪ This matter will come up for discussion at next month's meeting.

▪ The regulations come up for review in April.

2. **come up for election/re-election/selection etc** to reach the time when people have to vote about whether you should continue in a political position:

▪ The governors come up for re-election next year.

come upon somebody/something *phrasal verb*

1. to find or discover something or someone by chance:

▪ We came upon a cottage just on the edge of the wood.

2. *literary* if a feeling comes upon you, you suddenly feel it:

▪ A wave of tiredness came upon her.

come up to something/somebody *phrasal verb*

1. to reach a particular standard or to be as good as you expected:

▪ This doesn't come up to the standard of your usual work.

▪ The resort certainly failed to come up to expectations.

2. **be (just) coming up to something** to be nearly a particular time:

▪ It's just coming up to 11 o'clock.

come up with something *phrasal verb*

1. to think of an idea, answer etc:

Is that the best excuse you can come up with?

We've been asked to come up with some new ideas.

2. **informal** to produce an amount of money:

We wanted to buy the house but we couldn't come up with the cash.

How am I supposed to come up with \$10,000?

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- **arrive** to get to the place you are going to: I arrived at the party at around 7 o'clock. | They were due to arrive home from Spain yesterday.
- **get** to arrive somewhere. **Get** is much more common in everyday English than **arrive**: What time do you usually get to work? | I'll call you when I get home.
- **reach** to arrive somewhere, especially after a long journey: When we finally reached the port, we were all very tired.
- **come** if someone comes, they arrive at the place where you are: She came home yesterday. | What time did the plumber say he'd come?
- **turn up** (also **show up**) **informal** to arrive somewhere, especially when someone is waiting for you: I'd arranged to meet Tom, but he never turned up.
- **roll in** **informal** to arrive somewhere later than you should and not seem worried about it: Rebecca usually rolls in around noon.
- **get in** to arrive somewhere – used especially about people arriving home, or a plane, train etc arriving at an airport, station etc: I usually get in at around 6 o'clock. | What time did your plane get in?
- **come in** if a plane, train, or ship comes in, it arrives in the place where you are: We liked to watch the cruise ships come in.
- **land** if a plane or the passengers on it land, they arrive on the ground: We finally landed at 2 a.m. | They watched the planes taking off and landing.

II. **come**² *BrE* ¹ *AmE* ¹ **noun** [uncountable] **informal**

[Date: 1900-2000; Origin: ⇨ ↑come¹(19)]

a man's ↑semen (=the liquid he produces during sex)

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