Your English Toolbox

VOCABULARY · EPISODE 210

Short Stories with Peter: The Last Train Home

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Key words & expressions · English

8 learning entries

Study task: Listen again and notice the expressions you studied.

1

platform

DEF

The raised area where passengers wait for a train.

At a railway station, a platform is the place beside the tracks.

Anna waited on the platform.

The train leaves from platform two.

2

miss a train

DEF

Arrive too late to catch a train.

Miss here means fail to catch transport, not feel sad about someone.

Anna missed the last train.

We missed the train by two minutes.

3

belong to

DEF

Be owned by someone or be part of something.

The owner follows to: the gloves belong to her father.

These gloves belong to my father.

Does this bag belong to you?

4

take a deep breath

DEF

Breathe in slowly and fully.

This common expression can suggest pausing to calm down.

Anna took a deep breath.

Take a deep breath before you speak.

5

timetable

DEF

A published list of the times when transport services run.

A timetable shows planned departures and arrivals.

The worker checked the timetable.

The timetable shows the last bus.

6

climb aboard

DEF

Get onto a vehicle or vessel.

Aboard suggests entering or getting onto the vehicle.

Anna climbed aboard the bus.

The passengers climbed aboard the boat.

7

wave goodbye

DEF

Move a hand to say goodbye.

Wave describes the hand movement rather than spoken words.

Her father waved goodbye.

She waved goodbye from the window.

8

pull away

DEF

Start moving away from a place in a vehicle.

A bus or car can pull away after stopping.

The bus pulled away from the station.

The car pulled away slowly.