

15. ~ down (5)

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stand down (1)	(地位などから)身を引く	He stood down as a candidate for the presidency.
stand down (2)	(兵士が)非番になる	The soldiers were told to stand down .

take ... down (1)	(棚などから)降ろす	I'm too short to take the books down from the shelf.
take ... down (2)	取り壊す、解体する	Many people believe the 9.11 World Trade Centers were taken down .
take ... down (3)	...を書きとめる	You don't need to take down everything I say.

turn ... down (1)	(音量)を下げる	Can you please turn down the music?
turn ... down (2)	(誘いなど)を断る	I asked her out on a date but she turned me down .

talk down to	...にみくびった態度で話す	Older people often talk down to me because I am young.
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Comprehension

1. My teacher always _____ me.
2. Many students will sit for 1 hour in a lesson but don't _____ any notes.
3. Our community leader _____ because of a money scandal.
4. My friend invited me to her 4th wedding but I _____ her _____ down because I don't want to go.

Discussion

1. Should politicians **stand down** after scandals, or continue in their jobs?
2. Have you ever been **turned down** by someone you liked?
3. Do you think young people are respectful to their elders, or do they **talk down to** people?