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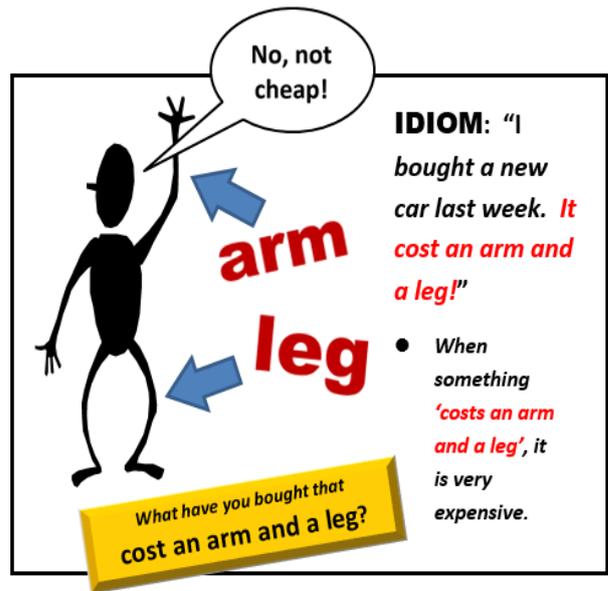
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READING & LISTENING PRACTICE

'AN ARM AND A LEG'

- Complete the paragraph below with the words in the box. Listen to check your work.

because	several
said	purchase
choose	unfortunately
leg	perhaps
bought	time
extremely	salesman



My Terrible New Car

Every morning, I used to travel by bus for over an hour to get to work. However, last week I decided to (1) _____ a new car. I was (2) _____ happy because (3) _____ I could get to my job in only twenty minutes. (4) _____ I could get to work faster, perhaps I could have more free time. First, I looked at (5) _____ cars and then I asked the (6) _____ lots of questions. It was difficult to decide which car to (7) _____. Finally, however, I (8) _____ a beautiful new sports car. The salesman (9) _____ I could get to work in only ten minutes! That was fantastic! (10) _____, the sports car cost an arm and a (11) _____. Now I have to stay longer at work to pay for the car. Now I don't have very much free (12) _____!

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- Match the sentence halves. Listen to check your work.

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| 3 | I was extremely happy because ... | ... to work in only ten minutes! |
| 4 | Because I could get to work faster, ... | ... perhaps I could have more free time. |
| 5 | First I looked at several cars ... | ... arm and a leg |
| 6 | It was difficult to decide ... | ... a beautiful new sports car. |
| 7 | Finally, however, I bought ... | 1 ... travel by bus for over an hour to get to work. |
| 8 | The salesman said I could get ... | ... at work to pay for the car. |
| 9 | That was ... | ... free time |
| 10 | Unfortunately, the sports car cost an ... | ... and then I asked the salesman lots of questions. |
| 11 | Now I have to stay longer ... | ... to purchase a new car. |
| 12 | Now I don't have very much ... | ... perhaps I could get to my job in only twenty minutes. |

- **Discuss**

1. Why was the man's car terrible?
2. How do you usually get to class? How long does it take?
3. When was the last time you bought something expensive? What was it? How much did you pay for it?

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ANSWERS

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