

fall in love They will *fall in love*, but I don't think they will marry.

(mnm: **begin to experience feelings of love for each other**)

fall in love with They will *fall in love with* that car when they sit on the seats.

(mnm: **acquire strong positive feelings for**)

fall in with She did *fall in with* some bad people.

(mnm: **get influenced by and join**)

fall in with the wrong crowd I worry he will *fall in with the wrong crowd*.

(mnm: **join some troublemakers**)

fall into place Everything will *fall into place*, if you are patient.

(mnm: **end the way it is supposed to end**)

fall into the trap The thief will be careless and *fall into the trap*.

(mnm: **be tricked; be caught**)

fall off the back of the truck Did his new television *fall off the back of the truck*?

(mnm: **get bought for a very low price because it was stolen**)

fall off the wagon I know he will *fall off the wagon* because he is weak.

(mnm: **begin drinking alcohol after trying to stop**)

fall on deaf ears Teacher's warnings always *fall on deaf ears*.

(mnm: **are ignored; are not heard**)

fall on hard times If they *fall on hard times*, their marriage may fall apart.

(mnm: **experience trouble with money, and or health**)

fall over backwards His mom will *fall over backwards* for him.

(mnm: **do everything to please**)

fall short If our estimates *fall short*, we will need to ask for more money.

(mnm: **are too low; are less than they should be**)

fall through The plan will *fall through*, if we can't borrow his car.

(mnm: **fail; not be completed; not work**)

fall through the cracks I worry that he will *fall through the cracks*.

(mnm: **be forgotten or overlooked**)

fall to pieces He will *fall to pieces* when she leaves.

(mnm: **be very emotionally upset**)

fall to pieces The plan will *fall to pieces*, if people do not volunteer.

(mnm: **fail; not work; not be completed**)

fall under the auspices of Discipline does *fall under the auspices of* the principal.

(mnm: **get implemented as determined by**)

fall upon hard times If they *fall upon hard times*, their marriage may end.

(mnm: **experience trouble with money, and or health**)

Let the chips fall where they may.

(mnm: **we will soon see what happens and who is wrong**)

United we stand, divided we fall.

(mnm: **to succeed, we need to work together**)

wheels fall off Our projects always begin well, but then the *wheels fall off*.

(mnm: **serious problems happen**)

FALLING

as easy as falling off a log It's *as easy as falling off a log*, so you can do it.

(mnm: **very simple to do**)

falling out They had a *falling out* after the anniversary party.

(mnm: **disagreement that made them enemies**)

FALLOUT

fallout from The *fallout from* the argument was bad.

(mnm: **result of**)

some fallout There will be *some fallout* when they find out what happened.

(mnm: **problems**)

FALLOW

lay fallow It will *lay fallow* for a year.

(mnm: **not be used; be a field that won't be planted**)

FALSE

false alarm It was a *false alarm*, so you can relax.

(mnm: **warning that was a mistake or a trick**)

false sense of security A *false sense of security* can be dangerous.

(mnm: **naïve feeling of safety; foolish and unwise feeling of safety**)

false starts There were many *false starts* before it was successful.

(mnm: **beginning problems**)

false step One *false step* and you lose your license.

(mnm: **mistake**)

Sailing under false colors the liberal voted against the new plan.

(mnm: **doing something against earlier beliefs; being hypocritical**)

FAMILIAR

a familiar ring Yes, that name has a *familiar ring*.

(mnm: **been heard before by me**)

move into familiar territory I'll be better when I *move into familiar territory*.

(mnm: **talk about things I know about**)

FAMILIARITY

Familiarity breeds contempt.

(mnm: **being too friendly can lead to hatred**)

FAMILY

all in the family It's not the right thing to do, but it's *all in the family*.

(mnm: **acceptable because it's a relative; acceptable because we're human**)

family tree He made a *family tree* and sent it to the relatives.

(mnm: **diagram listing family members and their ancestors**)

in a family way She is *in a family way*.

(mnm: **pregnant**)

Keep it in the family.

(mnm: **don't talk about it to others outside of our group**)

run in the family Baldness does *run in the family*.

(mnm: **get passed down from parents to their children; result from genetic similarities**)

FAMINE

feast or famine It's *feast or famine* in an actor's career.

(mnm: **either very, very good or very, very bad**)

FAMOUS

famous last words He claimed that he would win in his *famous last words*.

(mnm: **bold statements that proved to be false**)

FAMOUSLY

get on famously They *get on famously*, so people think they will marry.

(mnm: **enjoy being together**)

FAN

hits the fan Wait until it *hits the fan*.

(mnm: **is known by everyone and then they get upset**)

FAN (V)

Fan out and keep looking.

(mnm: **go search in different directions**)

fan the flames She didn't want to *fan the flames*.
(mnm: **make things worse**)

FANCY

Fancy airs really do annoy people.
(mnm: **doing boastful things to show you are better than others**)

Fancy meeting you here.
(mnm: **I'm surprised to see**)

flight of fancy Being a movie star was a *flight of fancy*.
(mnm: **wish that could not come true**)

footloose and fancy-free He is *footloose and fancy-free*.
(mnm: **someone with no responsibilities**)

strike her fancy Do you see anything that could *strike her fancy*?
(mnm: **interest her**)

tickle her fancy Do you see anything that could *tickle her fancy*?
(mnm: **interest her**)

FANTASTIC

trip the light fantastic They went out to a club to *trip the light fantastic*.
(mnm: **do some dancing**)

FAR

a far cry That is *a far cry* from your first draft.
(mnm: **very different**)

apple doesn't fall far from the tree The *apple doesn't fall far from the tree*.
(mnm: **child is just like the parent**)

As far as anyone knows, he is coming.
(mnm: **I think**)

As far as I can see, you're right.
(mnm: **I think**)

As far as I know we must be done by lunchtime.
(mnm: **I have been told**)

As far as I'm concerned you are right.
(mnm: **I think**)

as far as it goes Your plan is OK, *as far as it goes*.
(mnm: **but it is not complete yet**)

by far He is *by far* the best hitter.
(mnm: **definitely**)

far afield You are *far afield*, so get back on the topic.
(mnm: **not doing what you should be doing**)

Far and away that is the best one.
(mnm: **by a big difference**)

far and near The kids came from *far and near* to play the game.
(mnm: **many different places**)

far and wide The kids came from *far and wide* to play the game.
(mnm: **many different places**)

Far be it from me to argue, but you are wrong.
(mnm: **I don't like; I don't want**)

far fetched That is a *far fetched* idea that no one will like.
(mnm: **very unusual, unbelievable**)

far from Your answer is *far from* the correct solution.
(mnm: **not really anything like**)

far out Your idea is *far out*, but maybe we should try it.
(mnm: **unusual, fantastic**)

few and far between Heroes are *few and far between*.
(mnm: **not seen or found very often**)

go too far You will *go too far* and make the boss angry.
(mnm: **complain, criticize, or talk more than you should**)

In so far as I can see, you are right.
(mnm: **from what**)

So far you are right about how things could change.
(mnm: **at this time; now**)

So far as anyone knows, he is coming.
(mnm: **Based on the information available**)

so far gone The animal was *so far gone* that nobody could help.
(mnm: **in such an abnormal physical or mental state**)

So far so good.
(mnm: **right now things are fine**)

too far gone He is *too far gone* to help us.
(mnm: **very sick and unable; very drunk and unable**)

FAREWELL

Hail and farewell.
(mnm: **good-bye**)

FARM

bought the farm After being sick for six months, he *bought the farm*.
(mnm: **died**)

farm team He was sent to the *farm team* because he wasn't prepared.
(mnm: **place where people learn necessary skills**)

fat farm He went to a *fat farm*.
(mnm: **place to learn how to diet and lose weight**)

funny farm He was sent to the *funny farm* after the nervous breakdown.
(mnm: **mental institution**)

FARM (V)

farm out They want to *farm out* the extra work.
(mnm: **have other people in another company or place do**)

FARTHER

couldn't be farther from the truth It *couldn't be farther from the truth*.
(mnm: **is wrong; untrue**)

see farther than the end of her nose She can't *see farther than the end of her nose*.
(mnm: **predict what will be**)

FASHION

after a fashion He can sing *after a fashion*.
(mnm: **a little bit, but not well**)

after the fashion of The park was built *after the fashion of* Central Park.
(mnm: **like**)

in fashion The dress is *in fashion*, but the color is wrong.
(mnm: **modern**)

in the fashion of The park was built *in the fashion of* Central Park.
(mnm: **like**)

out of fashion The dress is *out of fashion*.
(mnm: **not modern**)

FASHIONED

old fashioned The dress is *old fashioned*.
(mnm: **not modern**)

old fashioned I'll have an *old fashioned*.
(mnm: **alcoholic drink with scotch, bourbon, sugar, and bitters**)

FAST

fast and furious The answers were coming *fast and furious*.
(mnm: **quickly**)

fast buck He is always looking for a *fast buck*.
(mnm: **way to earn money easily**)

Fast food is very popular today.
(mnm: **previously or quickly prepared items that can be eaten easily**)

fast friends They have become *fast friends*.
(mnm: **good pals**)