



## MAKING DECISIONS

### PART ONE USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

1. What did you decide about your situation? Can you please tell me?
2. I've definitely decided to go to Canada instead of the USA.
3. I am sure you will make the right choice.
4. She has decided against buying a new watch in favor of a smart phone.
5. I need more time before I can make up my mind.
6. It is usually wrong to make a decision without thinking it over carefully.
7. After you have time to think it over, please let me know your decision.
8. I am anxious to know what your decision is regarding possible relocation.
9. It took us a long time to make up our minds about our holiday destination.
10. He knows it is very difficult right now, but he still wants to go abroad anyway.
11. We are all determined to succeed despite the obstacles along the way.
12. She is trying to convince me to change my mind.
13. He did not say anything which influenced my decision.
14. Decision makers in politics require great wisdom and determination.
15. You can leave the office whenever you wish.

### PART TWO MORE USEFUL EXAMPLES

1. What did you decide about your situation? Can you please tell me?  
What have you decided? When will you be able to tell us?  
What has she decided? Can you tell me before she does?
2. I've definitely decided to go to Canada instead of the USA for my career.  
I've decided to change my job and move to a better company in Canada.  
He has decided to try and quit smoking for health reasons.  
They decided to get married a year after graduation.
3. She has decided against staying up late.  
He has decided against buying a new car.  
She has decided against dying her hair.
4. I cannot make up my mind right now because of the pressure at home.  
She refused to make up her mind and make the right choice.  
He is afraid to make up his mind because he does not want to hurt anyone.
5. After you think the job offers over, please let me know which offer you decide to accept.  
After you think it over, you should explain it to them carefully.  
Please tell me after you discuss it with the surgeon.

## PART THREE SITUATIONAL DIALOGUE PRACTICE

### Number 1

Read the following dialogue and extend the dialogue so that James explains what he plans to do the **entire** weekend. Use between 20 - 30 words for your extension.

#### THE WEEKEND IS COMING

**James:** Have a good weekend!

**Sarah:** Thanks. You too!

**James:** What do you plan to do?

**Sarah:** Well, my family will go camping and hiking. How about you?

**James:** I haven't made up my mind yet. I am thinking of ...

### Number 2

Read the following dialogue and extend the dialogue so that Stacy mentions the factors that she will consider regarding her decision. Use between 20 - 30 words for the extension.

#### A TOUGH DECISION

**John:** What's the matter, Stacy? You seem worried about something?

**Stacy:** Yes, two big companies offered me a job, but I don't know what to do now.

**John:** Why not take the better offer?

**Stacy:** It's not that easy. I like both job offers very much.

**John:** How about the pay?

**Stacy:** The pay is almost the same. The benefits are not exactly the same, but they balance each other in the long run. I must advise them of my decision by tomorrow.

**John:** So, what will you consider before making your decision?

**Stacy:** Well, I have to ...