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Sentences for Anki | Lesson 36

FRONT

If I call in sick tomorrow my boss will have to find somebody to fill in for me.

BACK

fill in = to do somebody's job for a short time while they are not there.

So, when I'm not at work my place needs to be filled by someone else. The person working in my place will fill in for me. My mother died when I was very young, so my grandma kind of filled in for her as a mother figure. So, in this case, I didn't have a mom, so my grandmother filled that role. She filled in as a mother for me because I didn't have a mother.

FRONT

I'm filling in for the manager today.

BACK

fill in = to do somebody's job for a short time while they are not there.

In this sentence, maybe the manager had last-minute call, and had to leave for a while. Somebody then stepped in to fill it in for the manager, meaning he would take his position temporarily.

FRONT

I haven't seen your parents in several months, fill me in on what's going on in their lives.

BACK

fill in = to tell somebody about something that has happened.

So, in this case you are going to tell me what's happening with your parents, you are going to inform me you are going to complete my knowledge that is lacking about how they have been.

FRONT

My girlfriend had to go to the bathroom in the middle of the movie, and I had to fill her in later about what happened during those few minutes.

BACK

fill in = to tell somebody about something that has happened.

So, in this case she had to leave the movie and she didn't know what happened during that part. So, her knowledge about what happened in the movie was incomplete so later, when I had an opportunity to talk with her, I filled her in on what had happened during those few minutes of the movie.

FRONT

The stadium filled up very quickly after they opened the gates.

BACK

fill up = to become or cause something to be full

So, obviously, before the match starts or the game starts, the stadium is empty. They open the gates; people begin to enter the stadium and it starts to fill up. It starts to become fuller of people.

FRONT

I filled up with turkey over lunch and now I feel like I need a nap.

BACK

fill up = to become or cause something to be full

It's not uncommon for us to use the expression fill up with regard to eating food. So, in this case, I ate a lot of turkey, I filled up with turkey. My stomach was empty and now it's full with a lot of turkey and I'm tired.

FRONT

On our hot summer day, the beaches fill up with sunbathers.

BACK

fill up = to become or cause something to be full

Anybody who lives near the coast in Brazil I'm sure can identify with that. When the weather is hot, the beaches are not empty. They become very full with people, they fill up with sunbathers, people that are out enjoying the sunshine.

FRONT

Before you get married, you really need to think it over with your significant other.

BACK

think over = to consider something carefully, especially before reaching a decision

Obviously, marriage is a very big deal. It's probably the most important decision you will make. And it's important to think it over, to spend a lot of time weighing the pros and the cons. Should I marry this person? Is this what I want for my life? It's not something that you should rush into without a great deal of contemplation.

FRONT

I was offered a new job in a different city but I'm going to have to think it over because I really enjoy my life here where I currently live.

BACK

think over = to consider something carefully, especially before reaching a decision

Anybody that is happy where they're living. Imagine you got offered a job that paid a lot more money, but you really love your life where you are. You have a lot to think over, you have a lot to consider. The money is good but maybe your family is here, maybe your kids are in a school and they're happy. There are many factors that you need to think over when you need to make a big decision about a move from one city to another.

FRONT

I would like you to join our website as a writer and teacher. Think it over for a few days and

get back to me.

BACK

think over = to consider something carefully, especially before reaching a decision

Now, this sentence is me. I write lessons and make these videos for this website. They offered me this opportunity and it was something I had to think over. People offer you a position, people offer you an opportunity, and you often times have to think it over. And sometimes you don't think it over because you know right away what you want.