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bring ... down (1)	(敵)を倒す	Scandals often bring down politicians.
bring ... down (2)	(物価など)を下げる	Tenmaya needs to bring down prices to stay competitive.

come down (1)	南へ下る	Our friends are coming down from Hokkaido to visit.
come down (2)	倒れる	My tree came down in the typhoon last night.
come down (3)	(物価などが)下がる	Prices have been coming down recently.
come down with	(病気)にかかる	I think I've come down with a cold.

cut down	(木など)を切り倒す	Can you please cut down the bushes at the end of the garden.
cut down on...	(費用など)を切り詰める	The local government needs to cut down on wasteful spending.

Comprehension

1. I don't understand why we can't _____ _____ ISIS in Syria.
2. Are you okay? Have you _____ _____ something?
3. The government should _____ _____ wasteful spending before raising tax.
4. My friend is _____ _____ from Tokyo to visit next week.

Discussion

1. What are some things the government should **cut down on** in order to save money?
2. Do you wait for the price to **come down** before you buy it, or do you like to be an "early adopter"?
3. How can we **bring down** bad governments?