

28. ~ off (3)

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go off (4)	...を好きでなくなる	For some reason I have gone off fast food lately.
have... off	(~を)...の期間休む	In our company, we have Monday off work.
hold off	(雨・雪が) 降り出さない	I hope the rain will hold off until tomorrow.

keep off ~ (1)	...に立ち入らない	The sign says we must keep off the grass.
keep off ~ (2)	(飲食物) に手を出さない	I was ordered to keep off alcohol for one month.
lay off ~ (1)	...を一時解雇する	Many companies are laying off workers recently.
lay off ~ (2)	(不快なことを) 控える・やめる	I think you should lay off drinking for a while.
pull off (1)	急いで脱ぐ	The children pulled off their clothes and jumped into the pool.
pull off (2)	...をやったのける	You'll be lucky if you can pull off that plan.

Comprehension

1. Mitsubishi, Sharp, Sony and many other companies have started to _____ many workers.
2. If you can _____ a hole in one, I will give you \$100.
3. My doctor told me to _____ alcohol for one month.
4. I used to love Kiyohara, but after the drug scandal I have _____ him.

Discussion

1. Is there some food/music/a person that you used to like but have recently **gone off**?
2. Is there anything you are **keeping off/laying off**?
3. Have you ever **pulled off** something difficult/dangerous/daring/amazing?
4. Do you think we should **keep off** the grass to keep it green, or be able to walk on it?