

Say It Another Way!

1. “We had a great time and hung out a lot”

- a. “We had fun and spent a lot of time together.”
- b. “We really enjoyed our time together”

2. “I took him to a burger joint”

- a. “I took him out for burgers.”
- b. “I took him out for a quick bite to eat.”

3. “He had certain stereotypes in mind.”

- a. “He had his own ideas about the United States.”
- b. “He already had specific beliefs and expectations about the US.”

4. “We stumbled on some seedy sections.”

- a. “We ended up in some more dangerous areas.”
- b. “We found ourselves in some less safe parts of the city.”

5. “The most respectful way to say is ‘people of color.’”

- a. “The best thing to say is ‘people of color.’”
- b. “The polite term to use is ‘people of color.’”

6. “Hollywood has fed him the ‘rags to riches’ story.”

- a. “Hollywood has fed him the ‘anyone-can-get-rich-with-hard-work-story.’”
- b. “He has learned from Hollywood that anyone can ‘pull themselves up by their bootstraps.’”

7. "...idealized story about wealthy people not working much."

- a. "The perfect-looking narrative about wealthy people not working very much."
- b. "The glamorized notion of wealthy people not working much."

8. "It's definitely a myth."

- a. "It's certainly not realistic."
- b. "It's absolutely not true."