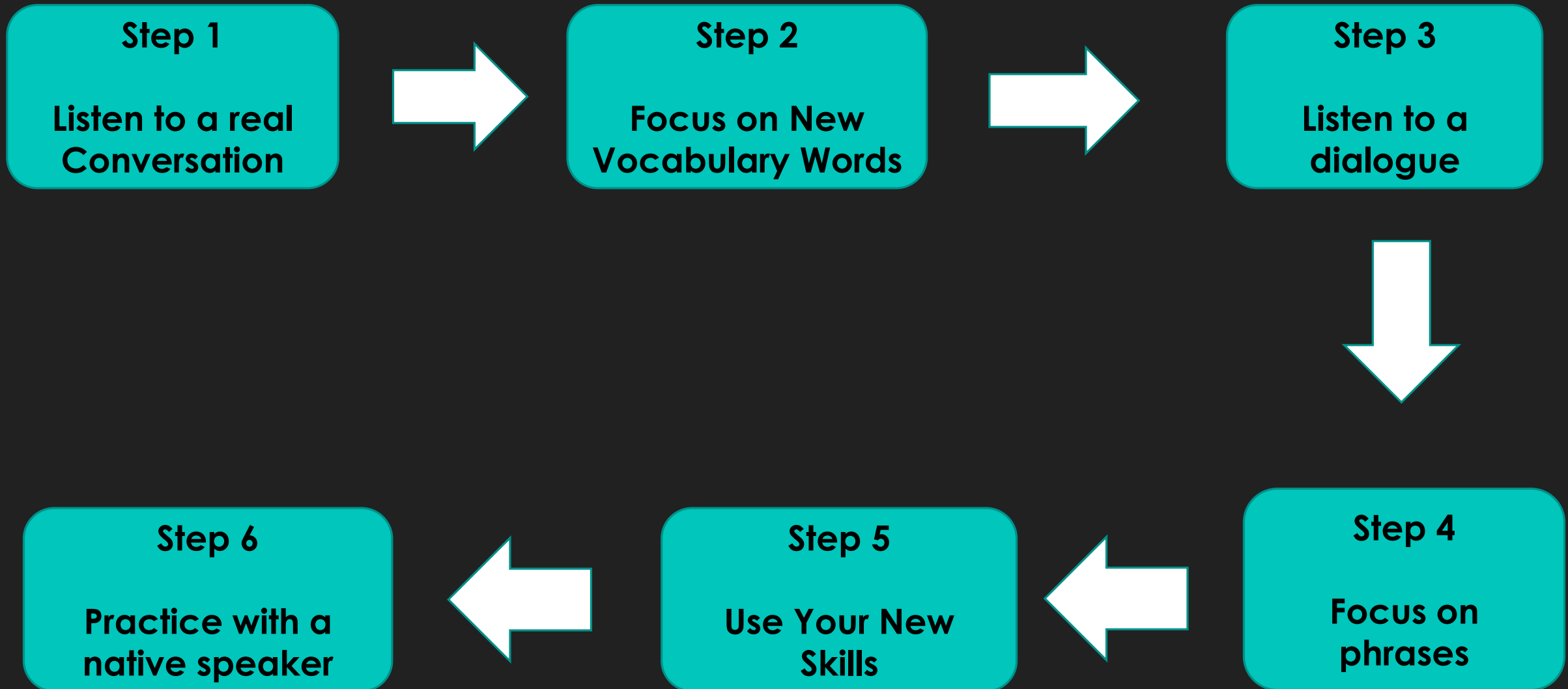




Relocation and the American Lifestyle

A Phrasal Verb Lesson

Our Method



Step 1: Do You Miss Your Family?



Please listen to Audio Step- Do You Miss Your Family?

Americans move around the United States all of the time. Find out how Keriann and Francis feel about this and learn about typical American attitudes toward moving away from family.

Please view Transcript Step 1-Do You Miss Your Family?

Step 2: Focus on New Vocabulary Expressions

**To get away
from**

To grow up

To get up

**To move
around**

**To be
spread out**

**To get away
(from)**



To escape, to physically move away from a person, a place, or a situation

If you want to get away from your family, you should move across the country.

To grow up



To get older, only used when you talk about children

Where did you grow up?

To get up



To get out of bed in the morning

What time did you get up this morning?

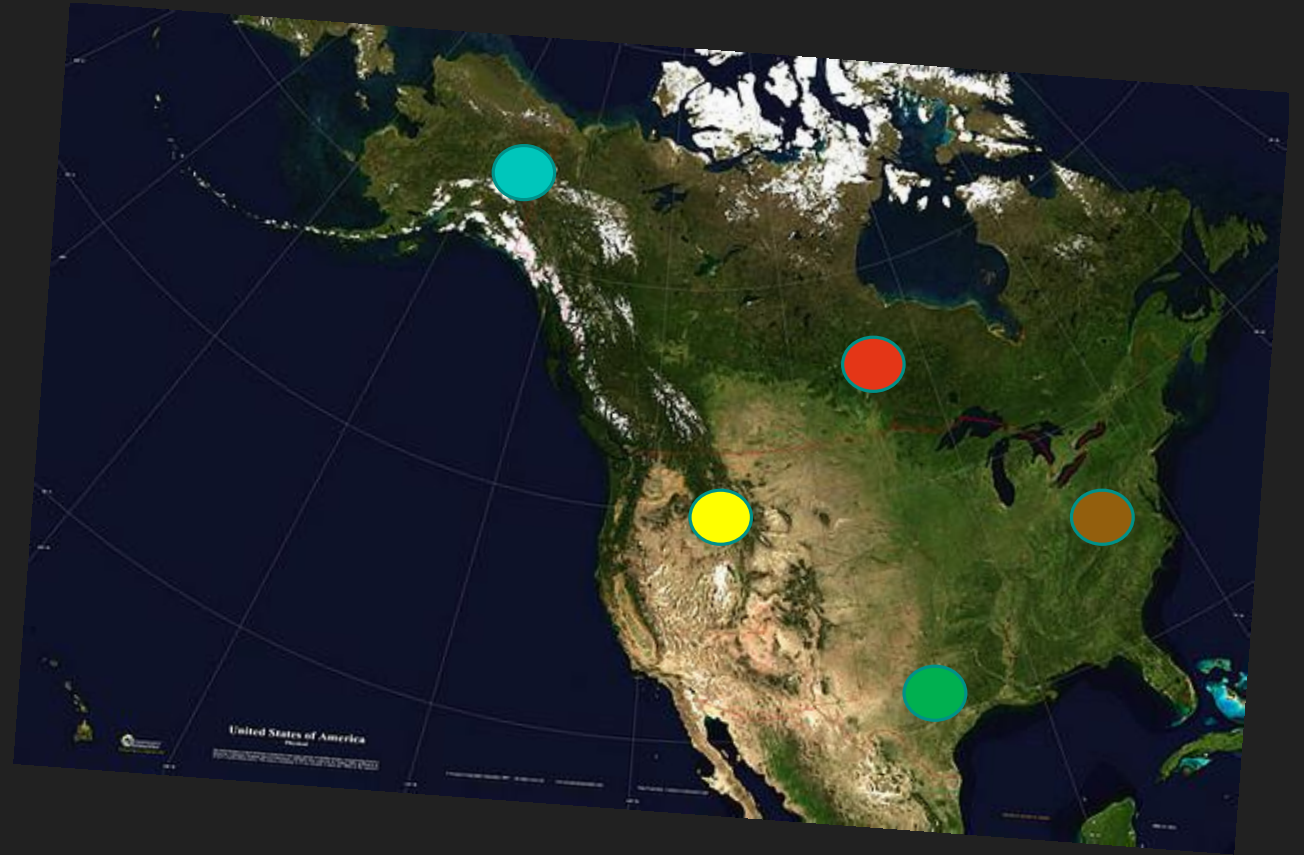
**To move
around**



**To go from one place to another or to relocate one's home from
place to place**

Americans move around the country a lot.

**To be spread
out**



**To be separated from other people by a certain amount of
distance**

All of my family members are spread out around the country.

**Bonus
expression!**

**No pun
intended**

More examples of puns



Here Keriann talks about
her observations in Spain,
which is a **“foreign”**
country

“...they were all going to the same
university in the same city and that to me
was **foreign**, **no pun intended**, but yeah,
they were all just staying right there and
they were going to continue living with their
parents”

Pun= a form of word play that exploits the double meaning of a word or expression. If you say “no pun intended” it means that you made a pun unintentionally.

Step 3: I heard You Got a Promotion

It's common for Americans to move across the country or to get "transferred" to a new city for their job.

Listen to this conversation about this situation.

Listen to Audio Steps 3 and 4- I heard You Got a Promotion



Step 4: Focus on the Vocabulary Phrases

Learn the new vocabulary in context!

Please open Transcript Steps 3 and 4 – I Heard You Got a Promotion

- He doesn't want to move around too much.
- I like the idea of getting away from my in-laws.
- I don't want our kids to grow up far away from their grandparents.
- The company is spread out all over the country
- I'll have to get up and get to work by 7am.

Bonus! Say It Another Way!

Learn how to say the phrases in a different way!

Click on the file “Say It Another Way”

Step 5: Use Your New Skills

To grow up

To get away
(from)

To get up

To be spread out

To move
around

A: When you __1__ (get older) where do you want to live?

B: I want to __2__ (relocate) a lot. I like the idea of seeing a lot of new places.

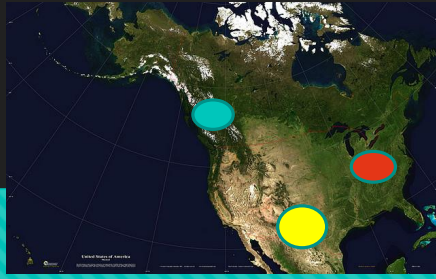
A: It's too bad that your family is so __3__ (separated) all over the country.

B: Oh it's ok, sometimes it's good to __4__ (be in a different place) from my parents and my in-laws.

Step 5 Answers

- 1- grow up
- 2- move around
- 3- spread out
- 4- get away

To be spread out

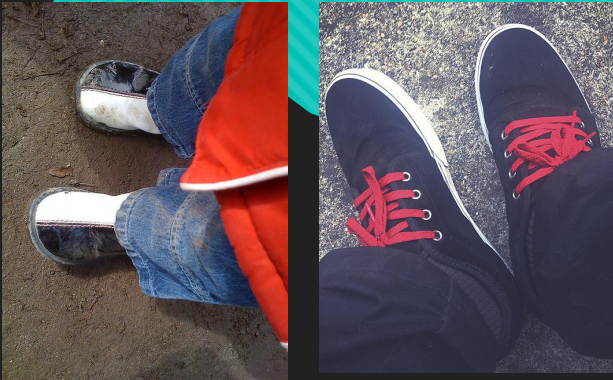


Prepare Your Vocabulary Cards

To move around



To get away (from)



To grow up



To get up



Step 6: Practice with a Native Conversation 1

- What experiences did you have with **moving around** when you were **growing up**?
- Did you **move around** a lot? If so, was that a hard experience or not? Why?

Bonus Conversation 1: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way(A= friend, B= friend)

A: (student) Did you ____ (move around) a lot when you were a kid?

B: Yeah, when I was ____ (growing up) our family moved every 3 years.

A: Really? Where did you live?

B: We lived in Colorado, then California, then Texas for a while. I went to college far from home, in New York.

A: Wow, that's a lot of ____ (moving around)

Answers to Conversation Step 1

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A: *Wow, that's a lot of relocating.*

Step 6: Practice with a Native Conversation 1

- Do families in your country tend **to be spread out** all over the country or do people live close to their extended families?
- Can you think of any relatives (immediate or extended family) that you would like to **get away from**? If so, why?

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way(A= friend, B= friend)

A: (student) Is it typical in your country for families to be ____ (spread out)?

B: Yes, it is. Most people don't live close to their extended families.

A: Really? That must be hard.

B: Sometimes it is, but sometimes it's great because people like their privacy. Haven't you ever wanted to ____ (get away from) a nosy family member?

A: Well, yeah, I guess so.

Bonus Conversation 2 Answers

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

A: *(student) Is it typical in your country for families to be separated?*

B: Yes, it is. Most people don't live close to their extended families.

A: *Really? That must be hard.*

B: Sometimes it is, but sometimes it's great because people like their privacy. Haven't you ever wanted to get some distance from a nosy family member?

A: *Well, yeah, I guess so.*

Conversation Questions

- If you were offered 10,000,000 dollars to live outside of your home country forever, what would you do?
- Did you go to college/university near your home? What do you know about a typical college experience in the US? How was your college experience different?
- What is your opinion about adults (20's, 30's, 40's) living at home with their parents if they are not married yet? At what age should a person leave their parents' home and get their own place? How do attitudes in your country differ on this topic from attitudes in the US?
- What skills do you learn when you leave home in your early twenties? What do you learn when you live at home with your family during that time?

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