

MÓDULO 06 - GIVE UP

DEFINITION

give up = 1) to quit; 2) to go without (something); 3) to admit guilt to something

- GIVE UP is SEPARABLE
- GIVE is REGULAR

GIVE – GAVE – GIVEN

EXAMPLES AND EXPLANATIONS

1. Present tense

Even if it gets **hard**, don't *give up* on your dreams!

- “hard” means “difficult,” but it’s more informal and more frequently used.

2. Present simple + present continuous

Michael is tired of the long hours and low **pay**. He *is giving up* on his job and looking for a new one.

- pay (verb) – give someone money in exchange for work, services or other items.
 - o I will pay you \$10/hour to walk my dog.
 - o How much did you pay for your house?
- pay (noun) – salary; wages
 - o I’m thinking about getting a job at Starbucks. I’ve heard the pay is pretty good.
 - o What’s the pay like where you work?

3. Past simple

The dog tried to get his ball from under the **couch**, but he *gave up*.

- “Couch” is more commonly used than “sofa,” but they mean the same thing.

4. Past continuous + past simple

Bianca *was giving up* on her relationship when her boyfriend **showed up** at her house with an engagement ring and asked her to marry him.

- show up = a phrasal verb that means “appear.”

5. Used to + past simple + future (will)

Josh used to think that he would have **to give up** on his dream of opening his own bakery, but he **took out a loan** and tomorrow he will have his grand opening.

- take out = take something and put it outside
 - o Take out the trash.
- Take out a loan = borrow money from the bank

6. Future (will)

According to the doctor, René will have *to give up* eating any kind of sugar.

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7. Present perfect + future (will)

Sir, the **robbers** *have given* themselves *up*. We'll take them to the police department now.

- Robbers = thieves
- They have given themselves up = They have admitted their guilt to a crime. You can also say "They have turned themselves in."

8. Past perfect + past simple

Joseph *had given up* on his dreams, but his wife encouraged him to keep moving forward.

9. Conditionals

If the thief *gives* himself *up* without a fight, he will get a lighter sentence.

10. Modals (can) & present perfect

I might *give up* chocolate for **Lent**. I still haven't decided what I'm going to do

- Lent = the 40-day period between Ash Wednesday and Easter (Quaresma)

■ PRACTICE

Can you think of a time in which you really wanted to give up, but you didn't?

Or have you given something up for a period of time?