

30.1 REDEWENDUNGEN

The road is closed, but it's **business as usual** in the store.

business as usual
[the normal daily routine at a company]



There's so much **red tape** involved in importing food products.

red tape
[administration, paperwork, or rules and regulations]



Our sales were poor this year and we're **in the red**.

to be in the red
[to owe money]



I can't come home yet, I'm **snowed under** with work.

to be snowed under
[to have too much work to do]



I hope I can **wind down** a bit over the weekend.

to wind down
[to gradually relax]



Spending any more on that useless product would be **throwing money down the drain**.

throwing money down the drain
[wasting money]



You get a free car and the company gets good press. It's a **win-win situation**.

a win-win situation
[a situation with no negative outcome]



They have to **work around the clock** to redecorate the shop.

to work around the clock
[to work very long hours]



Sorry, he can't come to the phone. He's **tied up with** another client.

to be tied up with
[to be busy doing something else]



Take it easy! We've got another hour to finish decorating the conference hall.

to take it easy
[to relax or calm down]



Sorry, I'll have to miss lunch. I'm **swamped** with invoices to file.

to be swamped
[to be really busy]



I hate being on the top floor when the elevator is **out of order**.

to be out of order
[to not be working]



She's not a great team member. She doesn't really **pull her weight**.

to pull your weight
[to do a fair share of work]



We've told you our final price. **The ball is in your court** now.

the ball is in your court
[it is your turn to do or say something]



This report is due today. I can't **put it off** any longer.

to put something off
[to delay or avoid something]



Greg is really creative and often **thinks outside the box**.

to think outside the box
[to think about something in an original way]



They are very difficult clients because they're always **moving the goalposts**.

to move the goalposts
[to change the desired end result]



If we're all here, Marcia, can you **get the ball rolling**?

to get the ball rolling
[to start something]



I don't understand all these error messages. My laptop's **going haywire!**

going haywire
[not acting or behaving as it should]



I want to finish by five o'clock, so let's **get down to business**.

to get down to business
[to start work on something that needs doing]

