

# **English Learning Newsletter**

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## Phrases with "fall":

### Fall = the season of autumn: Sept. 22-Dec.20

• Do you have any plans to travel this fall?

**Fall apart** = 1) break apart or 2) have a negative emotional reaction

- This sandwich is so big, it's **falling apart** in my hands!
- She **fell apart** and cried when she learned her COVID test was positive.

#### Fallout = negative result of an action or event

• There has been some **fallout** from the campus quarantines.

#### Fall through = fail or stop

• Our travel plans **fell through** because of the pandemic.

#### Fall through the cracks = fail to be noticed

 Parents worry their children may fall through the cracks in the school system if they don't have good technology.

## Phrases for Conversation:

Use these words and phrases to talk about possible conditions:

- If COVID-19 infections increase, there will be more quarantines.
- As long as COVID-19 infections are high, we need to keep learning remotely.
- **Unless** COVID-19 infections decrease, we will not meet in person.
- Football games will start on the condition that players stay healthy.
- **Depending on** the weather, I will either ride my bike or drive my car.
- Adapted from **Perfect Phrases for ESL Conversation Skills** by Diane Englehardt

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## Sayings about conditions

**If it's not one thing, it's another** = whenever there is one problem, it seems like more problems start to happen.

When in Rome, do as the Romans do = when you are in a new place or situation (new job, new city, new country), it's helpful to do the same things that the people in that place or situation do.