

How to convey condolences in English?

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In life, there are times when we face situations where we lose our loved ones or near and dear ones. It might be anyone from our friend's family or our family or even a pet. The loss is huge which can't be replaced in any manner. Generally, people don't understand what to say or how to console the person. The words might fall short when you try to give condolences to the bereaved. If you happen to come under such unexpected situations, then try some of the phrases which will help you give sympathy to the concerned person. In today's blog, we will explain few phrases which can be used to convey condolences in English.



Phrases to express your concern in English when someone passes away

- 1. I would like to express my sincere condolences on the death of...
- 2. He/She will be sadly missed. (You can add a detail that describes the person's best quality. For example, she was the best teacher or she was always there when I needed help in Maths.)
- 3. Please accept my/our sincere condolences.
- 4. Wishing you peace as you grieve this loss.
- 5. I am so sorry to hear about your loss. (This one is the common phrase because it is short, sweet, heartfelt, and always welcomed)
- 6. I was heartbroken by this sad news.
- 7. If you need anything, please ask. (Offer something specific, such as help with the kids or a home cooked meal or a coffee date.)
- 8. Words can't express how saddened we are to hear of your loss.
- 9. I will never forget when he/she... (You can share a past memory)
- 10. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.
- 11. You were such a dedicated friend/mother/sister to... (Name of the deceased)
- 12. I am sorry, but I am at a loss for words. (Use this when you can't think of anything)
- 13. May your many memories of _____ help to sustain you at this most difficult time.
- 14. We pray the love of God enfolds you during this difficult time.
- 15. My deepest sympathy on your sad loss.

Sometimes people update the loss of their loved one on Social Media Networks. You can either comment or send a private message on the loss. It is important to use proper words or else it will be misunderstood and might convey a wrong message. You can improve your <u>communication</u> <u>skills</u>, vocabulary with an online spoken English course.

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