

BEAT	-	EARN	-	WIN	-	GAIN
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These verbs have very different meanings. Fill in each blank with the correct form of a suitable verb:

beat	-	beats	-	beaten	-	beating
earn	-	earns	-	earned	-	earning
win	-	wins	-	won	-	winning
gain	-	gains	-	gained	-	gaining

1. Federer _____ the tennis match by _____ Nadal in three sets.
2. When he was young, all he _____ was £5 a week.
3. Last night I _____ \$10 from them at poker.
4. I bet you can't _____ me at chess.
5. She _____ an invaluable experience working as a translator.
6. Who _____ the Second World War?
7. How do you _____ your living?
8. Our team usually _____ theirs easily.
9. Let's take this shortcut to _____ time.
10. English football supporters have _____ an evil reputation.
11. - *Who's _____ ?* - *No-one is. It's still a draw.*
12. Alternative medicine has only just started to _____ respectability in our society.
13. Who _____ the Nobel Prize?
14. Manchester United _____ Arsenal by 3-0.
15. The car _____ speed going down the hill.
16. She _____ money by playing the piano in a bar.
17. It's been a tough six months and I feel I've _____ a few weeks off.
18. She's certainly _____ confidence over the last couple of years.
19. A detective in London doesn't _____ half as much as his counterpart in New York.
20. No matter how much I eat, I can't seem to _____ weight.
21. Gliders use thermal up-currents to _____ height.
22. The idea that we can't leave everything to free market forces seems to be _____ ground.
23. The Socialists will _____ with their hands down, if the election is free and fair.