



Finish

EVERYDAY EVENT:

Transitions are an important part of an everyday classroom. Students are asked to finish a test before they go to lunch. The teacher will ask how many students finished an assignment. Teachers and students finish a task and then move on to another part of the school day.

EXCEPTIONAL EXPRESSION:

The word *finish* can be used to signify the completion of a task or project. In this sense of the word, finish means that the assignment is entirely done. A secondary meaning of *finish* is to end a task whether or not it is fully completed. Finally, *finish* can be used to signify the annihilation of a specific object.

FOLLOW-UPS

- How is ending a task different than completing it?
- How do you know if you've finished your work?
- What does it feel to achieve a hard task?

THE SPANISH CONNECTION:

Finish comes from the Middle English word *fenys*, which is related to the Latin word *finire*. In Spanish there is the word *finito*. It is used as an adjective to mean finite. At a glance, finish and finito look like they are cognates. But they are actually false cognates. The Spanish word for *finish* is *terminar*. Terminar is the cognate of terminate, a synonym of finish. In English, terminate is a more academic word. In this case, knowing the Spanish word *terminar* helps ELLs learn a more academic word, *terminate*. There are also content specific words that are related to terminate, such as *terminus* in electricity, or bus *terminal*.

WORD CHANGES:

1) IDIOMS

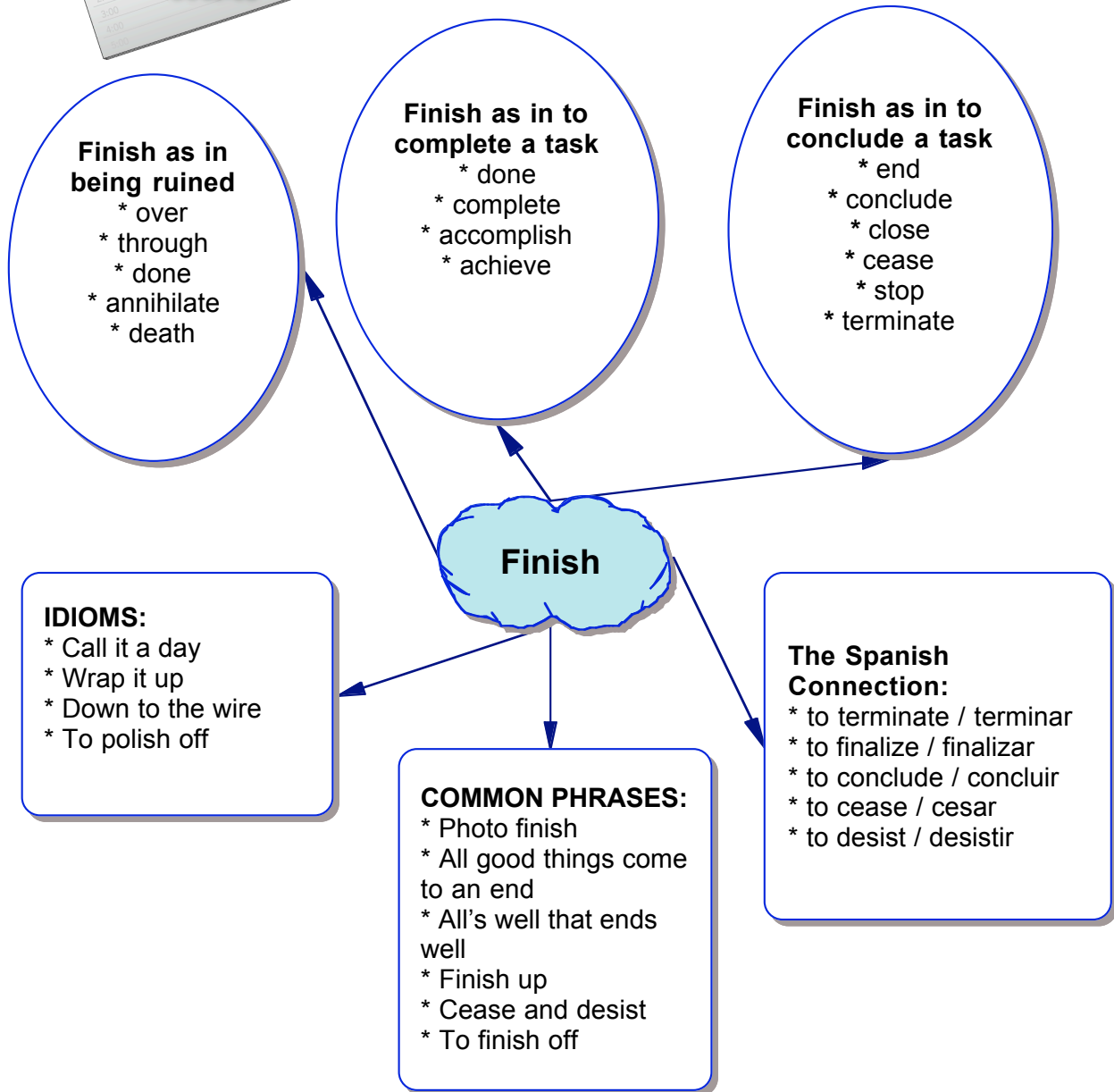
- Call it a day
- Wrap it up
- Down to the wire
- To polish off

- Photo finish
- All good things come to an end
- All's well that ends well
- Finish up
- Cease and desist
- To finish off

2) COMMON PHRASES



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