

carry out

In your opinion, should an employee carry out instructions even if they feel that what they're being asked to do is unethical?

Yes, in my opinion, ... ~ No, in my opinion, ...

Describing change (1)

figures

When we're describing how the value of something changes over time, we can use many different words. Imagine, for example, you're describing changes in sales figures for a product. Instead of saying that sales are "going up", you could say that sales are "rising", "increasing", "growing", or "climbing". Instead of saying that sales "went down", you could say that sales "fell", "dropped", or "declined".

Here are some verbs we can use to describe large, quick or severe changes:

soar

rocket

plummet

plunge

Has the population of the world soared (or rocketed) over the last five hundred years?

Yes, the population ...

How would you feel if property prices suddenly plummeted (or plunged) in your country?

If property prices ..., I'd feel ...

Why?

Of course, we can also use nouns to talk about changes. We can say "There will soon be an increase in interest rates" or "We expect to see a drop in revenue this year".

Was there a rise or a fall in the number of people out of work in your country last year?

There was a ... in the number of ...