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క్రికెట్లో బ్యాట్స్ మన్ ఔటయ్యే విధాల్లో 'రన్ ఔట్' ఒకటి. అయితే, రన్ అనే పదాన్ని ఆంగ్లంలో ఒక్క ఆట విషయంలోనే కాకుండా జీవిత అనుభవాల్లోనూ ఉపయోగించవచ్చు. ఎవరైనా డబ్బు కోసం వెంపర్తాడుతూ ఉంటే 'రన్నింగ్ ఆఫ్టర్ మనీ' అని పేర్మొంటారు.

అదే ఎవరైనా బలహీనంగా కనిపిస్తే 'రన్ డౌన్' అని ప్రయోగిస్తారు. మందుల ఎక్స్ పైలీ డేట్ ముగిసిపోతే 'రన్ ఔట్' అనే ప్రయోగంతో వ్యక్తీకలిస్తారు. కిరణ్, వాసు సంభాషణ ఇలాంటి పదబంధాల ప్రయోగాన్ని వివరిస్తుంది.



Kiran: Thank you for your timely discovery. I'll return it. Vasu: Do you know my friend Suresh whom I'd not met for a long time?

Kiran: Yes, the guy was your schoolmate, if I'm not wrong. Vasu: I ran into him yesterday.

Kiran: Pardon? Vasu: I met him unexpectedly at the railway station.

Kiran: How is he? Vasu: He looked cheerless and lifeless.

Kiran: What's the matter? You told me once that he had inherited huge wealth. Vasu: He fell into bad company and became a gambler.

Kiran: Oh my God! Vasu:He ran through what all he had inherited. He is almost begging now-adays.

## RUNNING... RUNNING

Dhanush: What are you running? Suresh: Ask me properly.

Dhanush: Isn't my question correct? Suresh: No, it isn't.

Dhanush: Why are you running? Suresh: Because stray dogs are barking at me.

Vasu: Even I too wouldn't do that.

Kiran: Can such a comedown happen to anyone?

Vasu: Not a comedown. A downfall! He ran into debt. To come out of it, he had to sell his house, land and all.

Kiran: But I don't understand one thing. Vasu: What's that?

Kiran: With such wealth and security, why did he go to clubs or pubs or casinos? Vasu: Because he was running after money. He wanted more and more of easy, quick money.

Kiran: If I were he, I wouldn't do that. Vasu: Even I too wouldn't do that.

Kiran: Last month my expenses went a little more than usual. I got very scared. Vasu: Even my expenses ran up a few months ago. I've been frugal since then.

Kiran: I too must get into saving mode. Vasu: If you save today, your coffers will run over in future.



సూర్యారావు ఎం.వి వివేకానంద ఇన్స్టేట్యూట్ ఆఫ్ లాంగేఁజెస్, రామకృష్ణ మఠం.

Kiran: Was he caught or bowled or run out? Vasu: Run out.

Kiran: If I Were he,

I wouldn't

do that.

Kiran: By the by, in how many ways can you run? Vasu: Pardon?

Kiran: In how many ways can we use the word 'run'?

Vasu: You seem run down. What's the matter?

Kiran: I don't get you. Vasu: You look very weak.

Kiran: Of late, I've been working overtime. To earn an extra buck. Vasu: What's that you're holding?

Kiran: A tonic prescribed by the doctor. To overcome my weakness. Bought it today. Vasu: Let me see it. ... Please don't use this. This has run out!

Kiran: What do you mean? Vasu: It has expired. Didn't you check the expiry date?



