

:: Summary

The phrase first originated in track and field races when competitors would attempt to begin the race prematurely, but it has come to mean “to begin something before adequately preparing for it.”

:: Exercises

Translate the following sentences:

1. If you jump the gun, it will ruin your reputation.

2. The man jumped the gun and made the decision without collecting all the facts.

3. It is better to get to know the person than to jump the gun and immediately get married.

4. The owner of the team jumped the gun and sold the team. He later realized that he could have made more money if he had kept it.

5. Ever since he jumped the gun and bought the apartment, we have been trying to come up with enough money to pay for it.

:: Vocab words

track	trilha
field	campo
gunshot	tiro
attempting	tentar, tentado
disqualification	desqualificação
caution	cautela
owner	dono
team	gado

aspect	aspecto
might	pode
sudden	súbito
unexpected	inesperado
proceed	prossequirmos
kept it	ficado com ele
ever since	desde que
come up	arrecadar, juntar

Answers: 1. Se você se precipitar, arruinará sua reputação. 2. O homem se precipitou e tomou a decisão sem reunir todos os fatos. 3. É melhor conhecer a pessoa do que se precipitar e casar-se imediatamente. 4. O dono do gado se precipitou e o vendeu. Depois ele percebeu que poderia ter ganhado mais dinheiro se tivesse ficado com ele. 5. Desde quando ele se precipitou e comprou o apartamento, nós estamos tentando juntar dinheiro o suficiente para pagar por ele.