

#### 第 4 講 to chicken out (of something)

A: How was the skydiving last week?

B: Actually, I didn't do it. I wanted to, but when I got to the door of the airplane I *chickened out*. I was too scared to jump.

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#### Highlight of the Day : to chicken out (of something)

- (a) You won't jump? What a chicken! (Don't be such a chicken!)
- (b) I was going to tell Mr. Booker that he's a bad boss, but I didn't have the courage. I chickened out of it.
- (c) A: Come on! Jump in! The water's nice and warm.  
B: No way! I can't swim and I'm scared to jump.  
A: It's not deep. Don't chicken out! (Don't be such a chicken!)
- (d) "Did you ask Serena to marry you?"  
"No! I was going to, but I chickened out of it at the last minute."