Hi everyone. My name's Dariia Dziuba and today we're going to talk about an **uphill struggle**. Watch this video lesson to find out.

Let me tell you a story about my friend and her husband. One day she realized that she needed a tablet PC like an iPad. So, she asked her husband if they could buy one. Do you know what he replied? He said it was out of their budget. Surely that didn't convince her. Although she had a hard time persuading her husband to get that iPad, she finally succeeded in it. She's now got an iPad and… a bank loan which she'll be paying back for a year or so.

I wouldn't call it a success story, but, anyway, I hope you got my point. Persuading her husband to get her an iPad was an **uphill struggle**. **An uphill struggle** or **an uphill battle** is a hard struggle. What else could we call **an uphill struggle**? It can be getting a pay rise in your company or persuading your teenager daughter come home at ten pm.

Ok, so let me repeat this expression one more time: **an uphill struggle**. Sometimes you can hear people say '**an uphill battle**' instead. By using this idiom people show they are or have been struggling very hard to get some results.

That's all for today. You can find more free resources at enrucafe.com Bye!

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