

APC English

phrasal verbs

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what is a phrasal verb?

a type of verb phrase

verb + (small word)

verb + preposition or adverb

create a new meaning

get

(receive)

up

(direction - preposition of place)

get up

get out of bed

phrasal verbs

what is a phrasal verb?

multiple words that make a new meaning with a verb

- give up
- get on
- take off
- look after

Take

up

To start a new hobby, activity, ... etc

off

To remove clothes / To depart (a plane).

away

To remove something.

back

To return something.

Look

up

To search for a word in dictionary/ info in a reference book.

for

To search for somebody or something.

down

To see someone as inferior.

Put

out

To make something stop burning (fire).

up with

To tolerate with people.

on

To cover the body with clothes / to wear.

off

To postpone, to delay.

Go

on

To continue.

out

To leave a place.

back

To return to a place.

Come

Up with

To invent.

back

To return.

across

To meet someone / to find something by chance.

in

To enter a place.

out

To appear.

Get

up

To rise from bed or a seat.

back

To return something.

along

To have a good relationship.

in

To enter a place.

out

To leave a car, a taxi, ...

off

To finish work / to exit.

over

To recover from an illness or a problem.

Give

out

To distribute.

back

To return something to someone.

up

To stop or to surrender.

away

To give something to someone.

Keep

on

To continue = carry on = go on.

Up with

To be at the same level (go as fast as other people).

Break

down

To stop functioning (car, bus,).

out

To start suddenly (war / fire).

Turn

up

To increase (the volume).

down

To decrease (the volume).

off

To stop TV, ...

on

To start TV, ...

exercise #1

choose the
correct answer
& put a line
through the
wrong answer

- 1 Don't forget to switch ~~on~~/off the light when you go to bed.
- 2 Can you turn *up/down* the TV, please? I can't hear it.
- 3 We were away last week. We came *in/back* yesterday.
- 4 Where are the changing rooms? I'd like to *try/put* on these trousers.
- 5 I'm looking *for/after* my glasses. I can't find them.
- 6 I'm cold. I'm going to *put on/take off* my jumper.
- 7 Have you thrown *down/away* the letter that came this morning?
- 8 Our neighbours are on holiday. They *went away/came back* on Saturday.
- 9 We're going *out/away* tonight. We're going to a party.
- 10 I'm going to be late. The car's *thrown away/broken down*.

listening exercise

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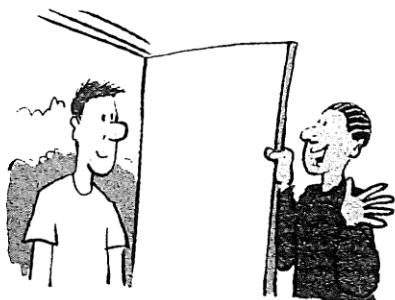
phrasal verbs examples

- a) listen to the meanings of these phrasal verbs
- b) match the pictures with the phrasal verbs

• come in	• put on	• turn on
• come home	• put off	• turn off
• go back	• try on	• switch off
• go out	• look for	• turn up
	• throw away	• turn down

1 Complete the phrasal verbs. Use the particles in the box.

away in back out on (x 2) up off (x 2) for down



1 come in



2 put



3 look



4 switch



5 go



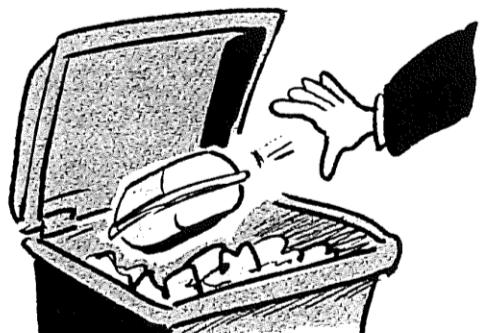
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7 take



9 try



11 throw



8 turn



10 turn



12 go

listening exercise

2

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broken

brought

came

looked

put

turn

on

off

up

across

phrasal verbs - listening exercise

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- Engaging in conversation, the bookseller enthusiastically ² _____ rare editions.
- However, my plans to return were ³ _____ by an urgent work commitment.
- Urgently needing to ⁴ _____ my laptop, I hastily ⁵ _____ the nearest café for Wi-Fi, turning it into an impromptu office.
- Reflecting on the day, I was disappointed about having to ⁶ _____ my bookstore visit.
- Despite plans being unexpectedly ⁷ _____, the experience was an adventure worth cherishing.

phrasal verbs - listening exercise

As the city lights shimmered, I unexpectedly **came across** a charming bookstore nestled between skyscrapers.

Engaging in conversation, the bookseller enthusiastically **brought up** rare editions.

However, my plans to return were **put off** by an urgent work commitment.

Urgently needing to **turn on** my laptop, I hastily **looked up** the nearest café for Wi-Fi, turning it into an impromptu office.

Reflecting on the day, I was disappointed about having to **put off** my bookstore visit.

Despite plans being unexpectedly **broken up**, the experience was an adventure worth cherishing."

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phrasal verbs

In pairs, match each phrasal verb with its correct definition.

1. Look up
2. Run out
3. Turn on
4. Break up
5. Bring up
6. Put off
7. Come across
8. Set up

- a. To start a device
- b. To arrange or establish
- c. To end a relationship
- d. To have no more left
- e. To find unexpectedly
- f. To mention or introduce a topic
- g. To postpone
- h. To search for information

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exercise #2

Complete the sentences with these phrasal verbs

go and get

**GO FOR / GO BACK / GO ON / GO WITH / GO OFF / GET AWAY /
GET ALONG WITH / GET AHEAD / GET IN / ~~GET OFF~~**

1. You should**get off**..... at the next stop.
2. My team is the golden medal at the Olympics.
3. Juliette doesn't her parents.
4. I can't even though I have two jobs.
5. That shirt doesn't those trousers.
6. Please,; Don't stop talking.
7. The robbers easily during the night.
8. When are you to your house?
9. Come on, and I'll give you a lift to the station.
10. Yesterday my alarm clock at 5.00 am, so I am very sleepy

exercise #3

phrasal verbs

Fill the gaps with the missing phrasal verbs

1. Take your shoes off before you enter the building.
2. The assignment needs to be handed in to the teacher next Friday.
3. My brother has stopped travelling and now he has settled on in Devon.
4. You must put on a life jacket before you get into the boat.
5. I waited for nearly an hour, but my friend didn't turn up for the meeting.
6. That's a relief. I've finally sorted out the problem with my phone.
7. They are short staffed in the kitchen this morning; can you please help out?
8. I always pick up my daughter from school at three o'clock.
9. This is a tough question; I'm having trouble working out the answer.
10. I'm afraid I can't hear you; can you speak up please?
11. Even though I was running very fast, I could not keep up with my friend.
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down
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~~off~~
out
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bonus exercise

Select the phrasal verbs that have a similar meaning to the words below

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2. remove	b) help out
3. wait	c) hold on
4. submit	d) sort out
5. arrive	e) take off
6. assist	f) turn up
7. solve	g) work out

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Thank you!
any questions?