

# APC English

# phrasal verbs

## phrasal verbs

### 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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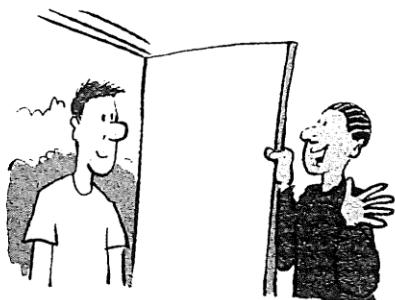
## phrasal verbs examples

- 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 on



3 look out



4 switch on



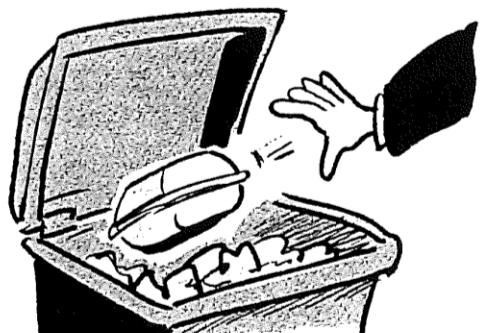
5 go out



7 take off



9 try on



11 throw away



8 turn on



10 turn off



12 go back

# listening exercise

## 2

## phrasal verbs examples

- a) listen to the passage
- b) complete the passage with the phrasal verbs

broken

brought

came

looked

put

turn

on

off

up

across

## phrasal verbs - listening exercise

- As the city lights shimmered, I unexpectedly <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a charming bookstore nestled between skyscrapers.
- Engaging in conversation, the bookseller enthusiastically <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ rare editions.
- However, my plans to return were <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ by an urgent work commitment.
- Urgently needing to <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my laptop, I hastily <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the nearest café for Wi-Fi, turning it into an impromptu office.
- Reflecting on the day, I was disappointed about having to <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my bookstore visit.
- Despite plans being unexpectedly <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, the experience was an adventure worth cherishing.

# exercise #1

## 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

# 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.
12. Sorry. Can you please hold on for a few minutes? I'll be free very soon.

down  
in  
on  
on  
~~off~~  
out  
out  
out  
up  
up  
up  
up

# bonus exercise

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

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| 1. calculate | a) hand on  |
| 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 |

Thank you!  
any questions?