

GRAMMAR: Phrasal Verbs

- a. John **turned down** the new job position in France since he can't live away from his family.
- b. Yesterday morning, I **came across** Sara while I was at shopping center.
- c. When they came back from the cinema, the Smiths **found out** that someone had broken into their house.
- d. Jamal's grandfather **passed away** after a long fight with cancer.

find out

discover

?

die

?

meet

?

refuse

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What are phrasal verbs?

Phrasal verbs are **phrases** that indicate actions.

They are generally used in spoken English and informal texts.

Phrasal verbs consist of a **verb** and a **preposition** or an **adverb**.

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Literal Meaning

Some phrasal verbs have a literal meaning. They can be easily understood.

- She opened the door and *looked outside*.
- She *walked across* the street.



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Idiomatic Meaning

Phrasal verbs can also have an **idiomatic** (*figurative*) meaning which may make them difficult to understand.

- Can you **put** me **up** for tonight?

The phrasal verb '**put up**' here does not mean to build. It has an **idiomatic** (*figurative*) meaning. It means **to let someone stay in your house**.

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Separable Vs Inseparable

Separable phrasal verbs can be broken up by other words.

Example:

I need to **take back** the pen I gave you.

Where's the pen I gave you? I need to **take it back**.

Inseparable phrasal verbs cannot be separated by other words.

Example:

I'm **looking for** my English book.

I'm **looking for it**.

~~I'm **looking it for**.~~

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Complete with phrasal verbs according to the meanings in brackets.

find out - take off - sit down - try on - hurry up -

look after - fill in - look up

1. **Take off** your shoes. (*remove*)
2. Somebody has to _____ the baby. (*take care of*)
3. She wants to _____ the truth. (*discover*)
4. Where can I _____ the sweater? (*see if it fits*)
5. _____. (*be quick*)
6. Why don't you _____? (*take a seat*)
7. _____ the word in a dictionary. (*search in a dictionary*)
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5. Hurry up. (be quick)
6. Why don't you sit down? (take a seat)
7. Look up the word in a dictionary. (search in a dictionary)
8. I want to fill in the form. (complete)

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Fill in with the appropriate phrasal verb in the correct form.

do without - call off - make up - break out -
run out - put up with - catch up with

1. Don't smoke in the forest. Fires easily ***break out*** at this time of the year.
2. I'm afraid we have _____ of apple juice. Will an orange juice do?
3. The website has helped me a lot to _____ English lessons.
4. Due to the pandemic, a friend of mine has _____ her wedding.
5. His mother can't _____ his terrible behavior anymore.
6. As an excuse for being late, she _____ a whole story.
7. I just cannot _____ my mobile. I always keep it with me.

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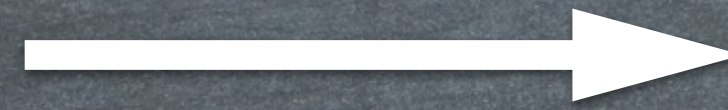
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7. I just cannot do without my mobile. I always keep it with me.

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ask someone out



invite

back someone up



support

break down



stop functioning

break up



end a relationship

break out



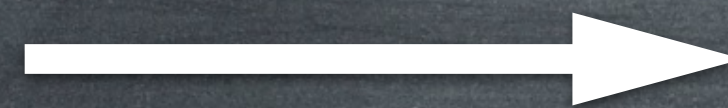
escape

call someone back



return a phone call

call off



cancel

check in



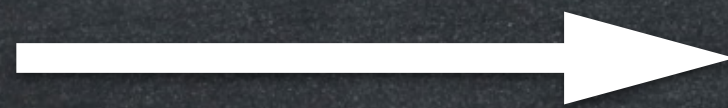
register in a hotel

check out



leave a hotel

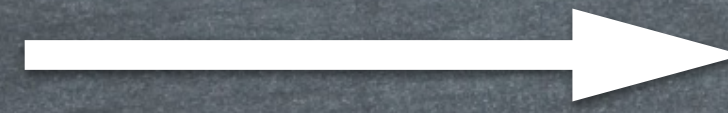
check something up



look at carefully

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cheer someone up



make happy

come across



find unexpectedly

come down



become sick

do something over



do again

dress up



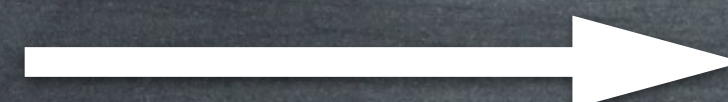
wear nice clothes

fill in



write information

find out



discover

figure out



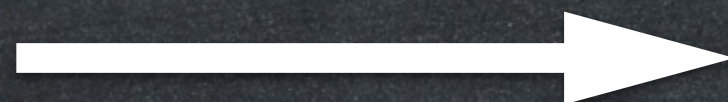
understand

get away



escape

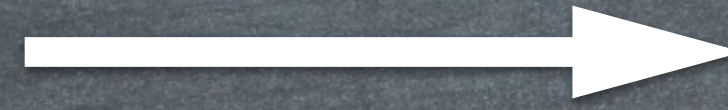
get back



return

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get together



meet

get up



get out of bed, stand

give up



quit, stop

go over something



review

hand down



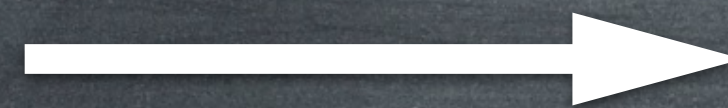
give

hand in



submit

hand out



distribute

hang on



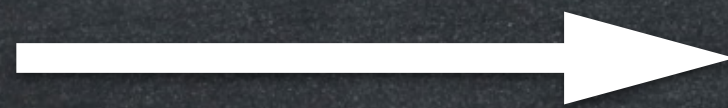
wait

hang out



spend time relaxing

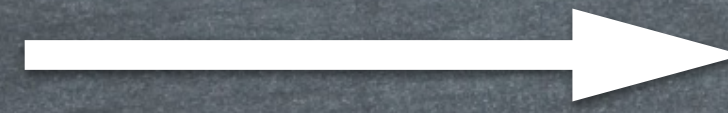
hold on



wait

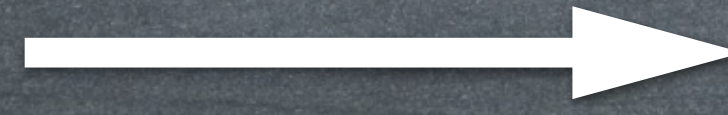
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keep on, keep up



continue

let down



fail to support

look after



take care of

look forward to



be excited about

look for



try to find

look up



search and find

make up



invent, lie about

pass away



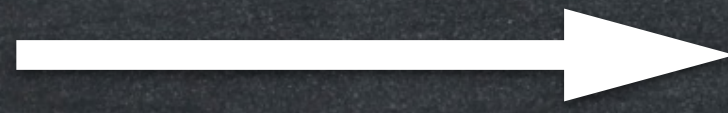
die

pass out



faint

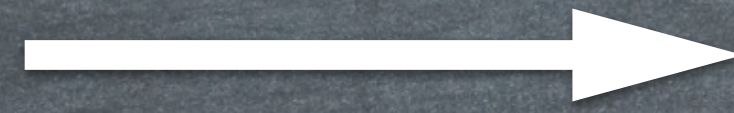
put off



postpone

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put up



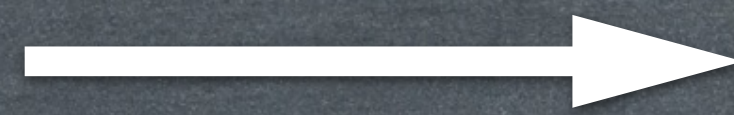
support

put out with



tolerate

run away



escape

run into



meet unexpectedly

run out



have none left

set up



arrange, organize

switch on/off



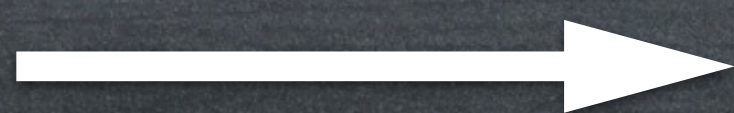
turn on/off

take off



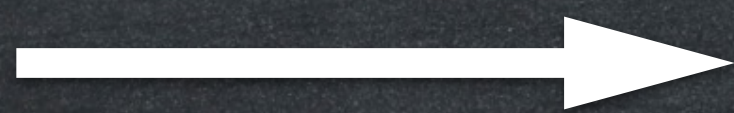
remove, fly

try on/out



test

turn down



refuse