

## PHRASAL VERBS.

This is a list of some of the most common phrasal verbs. Examples are given showing how they are used in sentences.

<u>PHRASAL VERB</u>	<u>DEFINITION</u>	<u>EXAMPLE</u>
<b>A Ask out</b>	Ask (someone) to go on a date	The first time I asked her out she said "no". But I kept asking until she said "yes"!
<b>B Break down</b>	Stop functioning properly	Our car broke down so we arrived very late. Negotiations with the unions have broken down.
<b>Break up</b>	Separate, end a relationship	They broke up soon after he accepted a job in Brazil.
<b>Bring back</b>	Return	Thanks for the book. I'll bring it back next week.
<b>Bring up</b>	1) raise (children) 2) mention, start to talk about	1) They brought up their three children to speak English 2) Tom brought up the issue of staff morale at the team meeting
<b>C Call back</b>	Return a telephone call	I can't talk right now. Can I call you back later?
<b>Call off</b>	Cancel	They've called off the meeting - John's sick.
<b>Call on</b>	Ask (someone) to speak in a meeting	Can I call on Sara to update us on the marketing campaign?
<b>Cheer up</b>	Make happier	Thanks for coming to visit. That really cheered him up.
<b>Clean up</b>	Make neat and clean	After the party we had to clean up. There was a real mess.
<b>Come over (to)</b>	Visit the speaker's place	Come over to my place on Saturday - It's Sam's birthday.
<b>Cross out</b>	Draw a line through	His name was crossed out from the list.
<b>Cut off</b>	Stop a supply of something	We have no electricity as it's been cut off.
<b>D Drop out (of)</b>	Stop attending (school)	He dropped out of college and started playing in a band
<b>E Eat out</b>	Eat outside of one's home	Let's eat out tonight. We could try the new Thai restaurant.
<b>F Figure out</b>	To understand something not obvious	I can't figure out these instructions. The diagram is not clear.
<b>Fill in/ out</b>	Write information on a form	Please fill out this form and hand it in at Reception.
<b>Find out (about)</b>	Discover information	Can you find out what time the shop opens?
<b>G Get along (with)</b>	Have a good relationship with	I got on very well with my boss so I was sorry when he left.
<b>Get back (from)</b>	Return from (a trip)	We can discuss this when I get back from my vacations.
<b>Get over</b>	Recover from an illness or a shock	It took her a long time to get over the accident.
<b>Get together (with)</b>	Join, meet	Let's get together next week. We could go for lunch.
<b>Give back</b>	Return (something) to (someone)	Here's the book. Please remember to give it back when you finish it.
<b>Give up</b>	Quit doing (something) or quit trying	Rob gave up smoking last month. He says he feels better already.
<b>Go back (to)</b>	Return to a place	After the concert, we went back to the hotel.
<b>Go out</b>	Not stay home	We haven't been out for weeks. Let's go to the cinema.
<b>Grow up (in)</b>	Become an adult	I grew up in the south but then went to study in the north.
<b>H Hand in</b>	Give homework, test papers, etc., to a teacher	The students handed in their homework.
<b>Hand out</b>	Give (something) to this person, then to that person, then to another person, etc.	The teacher handed out the tests.
<b>Hang around/out (with)</b>	Spend undirected time	I used to hang around with old friends from school before moving away.
<b>Hang up</b>	End a telephone conversation	She hung up the phone without saying goodbye
<b>K Keep away (from)</b>	Keep your distance	Hey kids, keep away from the road!
<b>Keep up</b>	Continue at the same speed/ pace	They went so fast, it was difficult to keep up.
<b>L Lay off</b>	Stop employment	British Gas has laid off 500 workers at its Rochester plant.
<b>Look into</b>	Investigate	We are looking into the possibility of buying a new office.
<b>Look over</b>	Examine carefully	I've looked over the contract and everything seems to be in order.
<b>Look out (for)</b>	Be careful	Look out for pickpockets! Several people have been robbed here.
<b>Look up</b>	Look for information in a dictionary, a telephone directory, encyclopedia etc.	If you see a word you don't know, look it up in the dictionary.
<b>M Make up</b>	Invent (a story)	I don't believe you. You're making it up!
<b>Move in (to)</b>	Start living in a new home	We moved in last week so the house is still full of boxes.
<b>Move out (of)</b>	Stop living at a place	They had to move out as the rent was too expensive.

<p><b>P</b></p> <p><b>Pay back</b></p> <p><b><u>PHRASAL VERB</u></b></p> <p><b>Pick up</b></p> <p><b>Point out</b></p> <p><b>Print out</b></p> <p><b>Put back</b></p> <p><b>Put out</b></p>	<p>Return borrowed money to (someone)</p> <p><b><u>DEFINITION</u></b></p> <p>Lift</p> <p>Call attention to</p> <p>Create a paper copy from a computer</p> <p>Return (something) to its original place</p> <p>Extinguish (stop) a fire, a cigarette</p>	<p>Thanks! I'll pay you back next week (promise!)</p> <p><b><u>EXAMPLE</u></b></p> <p>Can you pick me up from the airport? My flight arrives at 2pm.</p> <p>I need to point out that we've received many similar complaints.</p> <p>Can you print out 50 copies of the report?</p> <p>Please put it back where you found it.</p> <p>It took five hours to put out the fire.</p>
<p><b>R</b></p> <p><b>Run into</b></p> <p><b>Run out (of)</b></p>	<p>Meet by chance</p> <p>Finish the supply of (something)</p>	<p>I ran into Mike yesterday at the supermarket and we had a quick chat.</p> <p>We've run out of milk. Can you go and buy some?</p>
<p><b>S</b></p> <p><b>Show up</b></p> <p><b>Speak up</b></p> <p><b>Sort out</b></p>	<p>Come, appear</p> <p>Speak louder</p> <p>To organize or manage a problem/ confusion</p>	<p>Lisa finally showed up at the meeting 30 minutes late.</p> <p>Can you speak up please? I can't hear you.</p> <p>We need to sort out the internet connection. It's too slow.</p>
<p><b>T</b></p> <p><b>Take back</b></p> <p><b>Talk over</b></p> <p><b>Think over</b></p> <p><b>Throw away/out</b></p> <p><b>Turn down</b></p> <p><b>Turn on/off</b></p> <p><b>Turn up</b></p>	<p>Return</p> <p>discuss</p> <p>Consider</p> <p>Put in the trash, discard</p> <p>Decrease the volumen/ reject (an offer)</p> <p>Start/ stop a machine or a light</p> <p>Increase the volume</p>	<p>There was a problem with the camera so I took it back to the shop.</p> <p>If we talk it over I'm sure we can come to an agreement.</p> <p>Let me think it over and I'll give you an answer in the morning.</p> <p>We throw away all our old clothes.</p> <p>Please turn down the tv - I'm trying to study.</p> <p>I've turned down their offer. It's too low.</p> <p>Please don't forget to turn off the lights when you leave.</p> <p>The music was too low so we turned it up.</p>
<p><b>W</b></p> <p><b>Work out</b></p> <p><b>Write down</b></p>	<p>Solve</p> <p>Write a note on a piece of paper</p>	<p>I can't work out the answer to Question 4. Can you help?</p> <p>Please write down your contact information here and we'll get in touch later.</p>