



Phrasal Verbs 2

16. give up (stop having or doing)

- She has finally given up smoking.
- I had to give up coffee when I was ill.
- He gave up chocolate for a month.

17. make up (be the parts that form something – often used in the passive with 'of')

- Women make up 46% of the employees here.
- This class is made up entirely of boys.
- People who can speak English make up a quarter of the world's population.

18. end up (finally do or be something, especially when you don't expect it)

- We ended up going back home because it was raining so hard.
- They ended up passing the last exam, even though they failed all the other exams.
- Be careful! You'll end up without a job if you are rude to your boss.

19. get back (arrive somewhere again, especially your home, + to + place)

- She got back to Paris last night.
- What time did you get back yesterday?
- We got back very late because the train was delayed.

20. look up (raise your eyes)

- She looked up from her computer and asked a question.
- I called his name, but he didn't look up.
- John looked up from his book when Julie came in.



21. figure out (think about until you understand, plan – more common in USA)

- Let's figure out how we can get to London very early in the morning.
- She couldn't figure out why he had left.
- He finally figured out that the cat must have broken the plate.

22. sit down (change from standing to sitting)

- Do please sit down.
- She sat down and took out her book.
- The children sat down in rows and crossed their legs.

23. get up (change from lying or sitting to standing – more casual than 'stand up')

- She got up when we arrived (= she was sitting and she stood up).
- I don't want to get up. It's so comfortable sitting here.
- What are you doing on the floor? Get up!

24. take out (remove from a container, + 'of' before a noun)

- She took the letter out of the envelope.
- I'll take the sweets out of the box and put them under the Christmas tree now.
- He took his clothes out of the suitcase and put them away in the wardrobe.

25. come on (we say this to encourage someone to go faster or try harder)

- Come on! You're going to be left behind.
- Come on, don't worry. It's all going to be fine.
- She kept telling me to come on, but I was already going as fast as I could.

26. go down (move to a lower place, + to + place)

- She started to go down the stairs.
- We went down to the café and bought some coffee.
- Let's go down to the cellar and see if we can find those books.



27. Show up (arrive at or come to an event / meeting, especially if there's something surprising)

- We all went to the party, but Lucy didn't show up.
- He showed up at the meeting two hours late. Julie was very angry.
- I wonder if John's going to show up today. He didn't come last time.

28. take off (remove clothes or jewellery)

- I took off my coat because it was very hot.
- She always takes off all her rings before she goes to bed.
- Is it okay to take off my shoes?

29. work out (think about until you understand, plan – more common in the UK)

- We need to work out how to get to the wedding.
- She couldn't work out how the bird had got into the living room.
- I don't know why the car won't start but I'll work it out.

30. stand up (change from lying or sitting to standing – less casual than 'get up')

- Please stand up when the Queen comes in.
- She finished her coffee, stood up and left the restaurant.
- He stood up to let an old man have his seat.