



# Phrasal verbs 2

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INTERMEDIATE

## 1 Reading

In pairs, read the two short telephone conversations below:

### Conversation A

- Alice:** Hello Simon! It's Alice. I'm on the train. Can you **collect me in your car** from the station?
- Simon:** Sure. No problem.
- Alice:** What's for dinner?
- Simon:** I'm afraid I didn't do any shopping, so let's **have a meal in a restaurant** this evening.
- Alice:** Great. I really want to **test the quality of** that new Italian pizzeria.
- Simon:** I thought you **stopped eating** pizza.
- Alice:** Well, one more can't hurt.
- Simon:** Okay. So, what time do you want me to **appear** at the station?
- Alice:** In about 5 minutes?
- Simon:** Well, I should leave now then. See you at the front entrance!

### Conversation B

- Alice:** Hello Simon! It's Alice. I'm on the train. Can you **pick me up** from the station?
- Simon:** Sure. No problem.
- Alice:** What's for dinner?
- Simon:** I'm afraid I didn't do any shopping, so let's **eat out** this evening.
- Alice:** Great. I really want to **try out** that new Italian pizzeria.
- Simon:** I thought you **gave up** pizza.
- Alice:** Well, one more can't hurt.
- Simon:** Okay. So, what time do you want me to **turn up** at the station?
- Alice:** In about 5 minutes?
- Simon:** Well, I should leave now then. See you at the front entrance!

Which conversation sounds more formal? Which sounds more natural?



## 2 Practice

Now complete the questions below with the phrasal verbs from conversation B in the correct form.

1. Do you prefer to \_\_\_\_\_ or have a meal at home? (*have a meal in a restaurant*)
2. What things do you prefer to \_\_\_\_\_ before you buy them? (*test the quality of*)
3. How often do you \_\_\_\_\_ late for your meetings and appointments? (*arrive/appear*)
4. Have you ever \_\_\_\_\_ something that was bad for you? (*stopped doing*)
5. Is somebody going to \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ after your lesson today? (*come and collect*)

Ask and answer your partner the questions, then report your answers to the class.

## 3 More phrasal verbs

In pairs, look at the sentences below. Match the phrasal verbs to their meaning without using a dictionary. Try to discover their meaning from the context.

1. We have this shirt in a smaller size. Would you like to try it on?
2. Let's meet up at the fountain at 8pm and walk to the bar together.
3. If you drop out of school, it will be more difficult to get a job.
4. It's a fancy restaurant, so we have to dress up.
5. I got back late from work yesterday.
6. Tatiana lives in London, but she grew up in Russia. Her parents are Russian.
7. Their flat was too small so they decided to move out and live in a house.
8. Your English is really coming along. I've never heard you speak so well.
9. When I was visiting Paris, I had nowhere to stay so an old friend of mine put me up for the night.
10. I can't put up with the noise of traffic anymore! I must find a new place to live.

- a. became an adult
- b. improving, making progress
- c. let somebody stay at your place temporarily
- d. meet someone somewhere in order to do something together
- e. returned
- f. stop attending before you finish
- g. stop living somewhere and start living in a new home
- h. tolerate, continue to accept a difficult situation
- i. wear an item of clothing to see if it fits
- j. wear special clothes (to appear formal and attractive)



**4 Find someone who ...**

Now complete the questions:

1. When you go out with your friends, do you always \_\_\_\_\_ at the same place? Where?
2. Have you ever had to \_\_\_\_\_ a noisy neighbour?
3. Do you always \_\_\_\_\_ new clothes before you buy them?
4. Did you \_\_\_\_\_ late after your work/studies yesterday?
5. Are you going to \_\_\_\_\_ of your home soon?
6. Do you often \_\_\_\_\_ when you go out with your friends?
7. Have you ever \_\_\_\_\_ somebody \_\_\_\_\_ who you didn't know very well? Who?

**One-to-one and small classes: Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions.**

**Larger classes: Ask your classmates the questions and find a person who fits the sentences on the next page. Report your findings to the class.**

**5 Homework**

**Write 10 original sentences about you using any of the phrasal verbs from this lesson.**



**Find someone who ...**

\_\_\_\_\_ and his/her friends always meet up at \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_\_ had to put up with a noisy neighbour.

\_\_\_\_\_ always tries on new clothes before buying them.

\_\_\_\_\_ got back late yesterday.

\_\_\_\_\_ is going to move out of his home soon.

\_\_\_\_\_ often dresses up when he/she goes out with friends.

\_\_\_\_\_ has put somebody up who he/she didn't know very well.



**1 Reading**

*The aim of this exercise is to point out that phrasal verbs can be said or written in a different way, usually as a more formal one-word equivalent (appear = turn up) or as a phrase (test the quality of = try out). Learners of English tend to prefer the non-phrasal verb equivalent. However, as the dialogues show, they often sound formal like in Conversation A.*

**2 Practice**

*Students first complete the questions individually. Go through the answers. The second part of the activity can be adapted for all learning environments. In a one-to-one or Skype-based lesson, simply ask your student the questions.*

1. eat out
2. try out
3. turn up
4. given up
5. pick you up

**3 More phrasal verbs**

1. i    2. d    3. f    4. j    5. e    6. a    7. g    8. b    9. c    10. h

**4 Find someone who ...**

*In a large class, have the students complete the questions individually or in pairs. Go through the answers and then hand out page 4. Have the students stand up and ask each other the questions. Tell them that they cannot have the same name written down more than twice during this activity. Students who belong to the couchsurfing.org network might have some interesting answers for Question 7. If no student fits a particular sentence, they should write 'Nobody' in the appropriate gap. Do some feedback on the exercise, asking what the students discovered about each other.*

1. meet up
2. put up with
3. try on
4. get back
5. move out
6. dress up
7. put somebody up



