

Phrasal verbs in context

FILE 1

Complete the phrasal verbs from File 1 with the correct particle.

back down (x2) up (x3)

- 1 My brother and his girlfriend **broke** _____ last month.
- 2 I can't talk now, I'm driving. I'll **call** you _____ in fifteen minutes.
- 3 This club isn't a very good place to **chat** _____ girls. The music is too loud.
- 4 The doctor said that I had to **cut** _____ to one cup of coffee a day.
- 5 Don't **give** _____. If you keep trying, I'm sure find a good job soon.
- 6 **Slow** _____. There are speed cameras on this road.

FILE 2

Complete the phrasal verbs from File 2 with a verb in the correct form.

burst knock leave put turn

- 1 Everyone _____ **out** laughing when Jimmy arrived wearing a large, white hat.
- 2 Can you _____ the TV **up**? I can't hear it with the children shouting in the kitchen.
- 3 Don't _____ anything **behind** when you get off the plane.
- 4 What a pity! They're going to _____ **down** our local cinema and build a car park.
- 5 If you take any of my things, please _____ them **back** when you've finished with them.

FILE 3

Match the phrasal verbs from File 3 with a definition A–E.

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| 1 Watch out , there are often pickpockets on this station. | <input type="checkbox"/> | A continue |
| 2 The company has been going through a bad period recently. | <input type="checkbox"/> | B leave |
| 3 The police told us to get out because the building wasn't safe. | <input type="checkbox"/> | C stop operating |
| 4 If we carry on polluting the planet, we're going to destroy it. | <input type="checkbox"/> | D be careful |
| 5 The restaurant wasn't popular and it closed down last year. | <input type="checkbox"/> | E experience or suffer |

FILE 4

Complete the phrasal verbs from File 4 with the correct particle.

down off (x2) on out

- 1 If there is an emergency, all passengers must **get** _____ of the plane as fast as they can.
- 2 It was an eight-hour journey so we **set** _____ early in the morning.
- 3 Jessica was getting really angry with Tom so I told her to **calm** _____.
- 4 **Hold** _____ to me. It's very slippery and you might fall.
- 5 The teacher **told** me _____ because I hadn't done my homework.

FILE 5

Complete the phrasal verbs from File 5 with the correct particle.

catch eat fall fill lie put

- 1 I'm exhausted. I'm going to _____ **down** for half an hour.
- 2 I'm not very good at ice skating. I always _____ **over** at least twenty times!
- 3 We stopped at a petrol station to _____ **up** with petrol.
- 4 Let's meet for lunch next week and we can _____ **up on** all our news.
- 5 It's very easy to _____ **on** weight if you _____ **out** several times a week.

FILE 6

Match the phrasal verbs from File 6 with a definition A–E.

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| 1 The teacher hurried through the last part of the class. | <input type="checkbox"/> | A collide with |
| 2 I'll only call you if something interesting comes up in the meeting. | <input type="checkbox"/> | B hit and knocked to the ground by a vehicle |
| 3 James has thought up a brilliant new idea for our new product. | <input type="checkbox"/> | C invent |
| 4 An old man was run over on the pedestrian crossing. | <input type="checkbox"/> | D complete quickly |
| 5 A lorry crashed into my car when it was parked outside my house. | <input type="checkbox"/> | E occurs or appears unexpectedly |

FILE 7

Complete the phrasal verbs with the correct form of the verb.

end go pick take

- 1 I don't know what's _____ **on**. Can anyone tell me what's happening?
- 2 We got completely lost and we _____ **up** miles away from where we wanted to go.
- 3 I'll _____ you **up** at the station if you tell me what time your train arrives.
- 4 I've decided to _____ **up** a new hobby – I'm going to learn to dance salsa.

PHRASAL VERBS IN CONTEXT ANSWERS

File 1

- 1 up
- 2 back
- 3 up
- 4 down
- 5 up
- 6 down

File 2

- 1 burst
- 2 turn
- 3 leave
- 4 knock
- 5 put

File 3

- 1 D
- 2 E
- 3 B
- 4 A
- 5 C

File 4

- 1 out
- 2 off
- 3 down
- 4 on
- 5 off

File 5

- 1 lie
- 2 fall
- 3 fill
- 4 catch
- 5 put, eat

File 6

- 1 D
- 2 E
- 3 C
- 4 B
- 5 A

File 7

- 1 going
- 2 ended
- 3 pick
- 4 take