

CHAPTER 1

Missing words

EXERCISE 1 break, bring, call, come

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

break down
break in
break up
break out of

bring back
bring down
bring up
call away

call for
call off
come down
come out

- 1 Shall I _____ (collect) you on my way to work?
- 2 Don't forget to _____ (return) the book when you've finished with it.
- 3 When his parents died, he was _____ (raised) by his uncle and aunt in Wales.
- 4 It must be spring; the leaves have started _____ (blooming/appearing) on all the trees in the park.
- 5 I'm sorry I'm late, but my car _____ (stopped working) on the way here.
- 6 Thieves _____ (entered the house by force) last night and stole two valuable paintings and £250 in cash.
- 7 I've just heard that they're thinking of _____ (reducing) the price of milk and bread.
- 8 The police are still looking for the three prisoners who _____ (escaped from) jail at the weekend.
- 9 I'm afraid Mr Brown's been _____ (asked to go somewhere else) on business. But he should be back later on this afternoon.
- 10 Because of bad weather, the open-air pop concert had to be _____ (cancelled).
- 11 By the way, did you hear about John and Janet? They've _____ (separated).
- 12 The price of houses has _____ (been reduced) quite a lot in the past six months.

EXERCISE 2 come, get, give

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

come across
come round
get at
get away

get back
get down
get off
get on

get together
get up
give back
give in

- 1 The thieves _____ (escaped) by rushing into the Underground.
- 2 How is Janet _____ (progressing) in her new school?
- 3 I don't mind lending you my records, Dave, but I wish you'd remember to _____ them _____ (return them) some time.
- 4 We try to _____ (meet) once a week — usually on Fridays or Saturdays.
- 5 Why don't you and John _____ (visit us) on Friday?
- 6 I _____ (found by accident) some old photographs of my sister's wedding while I was tidying up the attic.
- 7 I climbed the tree without any difficulty, but once I reached the top I became too frightened to _____ (descend) again.
- 8 When did you _____ (return) from your holidays?
- 9 The teacher asked the students to _____ (hand in) their homework at the end of the lesson.
- 10 It's too far away — I can't _____ (reach) it.
- 11 What time do you usually _____ (rise/get out of bed) in the morning?
- 12 You should never _____ (alight from/leave) a bus while it is still moving.

EXERCISE 3 give, go, hold, keep

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

give out
give up
go after
go off

go on
go out
go with
hold on

hold up
keep in
keep out
keep off

- 1 'What a lovely tie! And it _____ (matches) your jacket too!
- 2 'Well don't just stand there!' shouted the police sergeant to the young constable. _____ (Follow/Pursue) him! He can't have got far.'
- 3 If you'd just _____ (wait) a moment, I'll see if Ms Beswick is free.
- 4 Oh, Charles, could you _____ (distribute) the books, please?
- 5 There was a large notice on the gate which said: '_____ (Do not enter)'.
- 6 A sudden draught caused the candle to _____ (stop burning).
- 7 Because of an accident on the line, the 11.45 train from Victoria was _____ (delayed) for several hours.
- 8 A bomb _____ (exploded) in the town centre, killing three people and injuring twenty-five others.
- 9 There was a sign in the park which said: '_____ (Do not walk on) the grass'.
- 10 Although it was raining heavily, we still _____ (continued) playing.
- 11 I've been trying to _____ (stop) smoking for six months.
- 12 The teacher told the class that he would _____ them _____ (make them stay in the classroom) for an hour after school unless they stopped talking.

EXERCISE 4 look, pick, put

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

look after
look at
look for
look out

look up
pick up
put away
put off

put on
put up
put out
put through

- 1 The teacher asked the class to _____ (find the meaning of) the word 'ancient' in their dictionaries.
- 2 Which skirt shall I _____ (wear/get dressed in) tonight?
- 3 _____ ! (Take care/Be careful) There's a car coming!
- 4 The conductor was ill, so the concert had to be _____ (postponed) for a week.
- 5 The operator _____ me _____ (connected me) almost immediately.

- 6 I do wish you would _____ your books _____ (return your books to their proper place) instead of just leaving them all over the flat.
- 7 Could you _____ (take care of) the children for me tonight? I've got to go to an important meeting.
- 8 I've just heard that they're _____ (increasing/raising) my rent at the end of next month.
- 9 He _____ (examined) the vase very carefully to see if it was broken.
- 10 My suitcase was so heavy that I couldn't _____ it _____ (lift it).
- 11 It took the firemen nearly ten hours to _____ (extinguish) the fire.
- 12 Have you seen Janet anywhere? I've been _____ (trying to find) her all morning.

EXERCISE 5 put, ring, set, take, turn

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

put down
put on
put up
ring up

set off
set up
take away
take off

take up
turn back
turn off
turn up

- 1 The road was flooded, so we were forced to _____ (reverse the direction of our journey).
- 2 If you _____ (subtract) twenty-five from a hundred, you are left with seventy-five.
- 3 I can hardly hear that radio. Could you _____ (increase/raise) the volume, please?
- 4 They _____ (erected/built) that block of flats two years ago.
- 5 Anyway, John, _____ (remove) your coat and come through and meet the others.
- 6 The teacher asked the class to _____ (write down) the school telephone number.
- 7 When I retire I think I'll _____ (start/begin) painting.
- 8 We _____ (began our journey) at 6.30 in the morning.
- 9 If you're not watching the television then _____ it _____ (switch it off).

- 10 The Government are planning to _____ (establish) a new department to be responsible for what people do in their leisure time. It is to be called the Ministry of Leisure.
- 11 _____ (Switch on) the light, someone! I can't see a thing!
- 12 Don't forget, James, you've got to _____ (telephone) your mother tonight.

EXERCISE 6 Various verbs

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

ask for
bring about
call in
write down

check in
cross out
fill in
get back

get in
get through
hang on
ring back

- 1 If you make a spelling mistake, _____ (delete/put a line through) the word and write it out again.
- 2 Most libraries have quite a problem in _____ (recovering) books that have been borrowed.
- 3 There is a certain amount of evidence to suggest that violence on television and in films _____ (causes) violence among young people.
- 4 By the way, John phoned when you were out. He told me to tell you that he'd _____ (telephone again) later this afternoon.
- 5 I _____ (visited them) for a chat on my way home from work.
- 6 Mr Brown _____ (requested) a day off to go to his sister's wedding.
- 7 How did you manage to _____ (enter your flat) without a key?
- 8 Could you just _____ (wait) a minute, Alice? I've got to make a quick phone-call.
- 9 I told my wife to wait in the hotel lounge while I went to _____ (register our arrival).
- 10 Although I hadn't worked very hard, I still managed to _____ (pass) the exam.
- 11 The teacher asked us to _____ (make a note on paper of) the number of the exercise she wanted us to do for homework.
- 12 I had to _____ (complete) at least six different forms before the bank would give me a loan.

EXERCISE 7 Various verbs

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

get off
go by
go on
join in

keep on
make for
pay in
put on

rub out
run down
send out
set out

- 1 If you _____ (continue) smoking at that rate, you'll be dead before you're fifty.
- 2 That line isn't straight. You'd better _____ it _____ (erase it) and draw it again.
- 3 What time are you _____ (starting your journey) tomorrow?
- 4 You didn't see a short, middle-aged woman with a small child _____ (pass) a moment ago, did you?
- 5 I was _____ (moving towards) the post office when it suddenly started to rain.
- 6 My father was _____ (hit/knocked down) by a bus on his way to work.
- 7 There are a lot of people outside, David. What's _____ (happening)? Do you know?
- 8 The child was making so much noise in the classroom that the teacher _____ him _____ (made him leave the room).
- 9 He went into the bank to _____ (deposit) some money.
- 10 They were all playing football, but I didn't want to _____ (participate/take part), so I sat on a bench and watched them.
- 11 I think I'd better go on a diet. I've _____ (gained) nearly two kilos in the past few months.
- 12 Do you think you could help me, Julie? I can't seem to _____ my boots _____ (remove my boots). They're too tight.

EXERCISE 8 Various verbs

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

care for
cut up
draw out
draw up

get by
get over
go on
let down

look on
pass out
send for
stick out

- 1 The old man slowly _____ himself _____ (lowered himself) into the bath.
- 2 The reason I've got long hair is because my ears _____ (project).
- 3 The taxi _____ (came to a stop) outside the station and an old lady got out.
- 4 The mother _____ (divided) the apple into four pieces and gave one to each of the children.
- 5 Before we start the meeting today I'd like to _____ (distribute) some notes I've made about the forthcoming advertising campaign.
- 6 It took my father a long time to _____ (recover from) the death of my mother.
- 7 I haven't got much money left. I'd better go to the bank this afternoon and _____ (take out/withdraw) some more.
- 8 I _____ (ordered by post) the catalogue two weeks ago, but it still hasn't arrived.
- 9 There were so many people standing in front of us that it was very difficult to _____ (pass).
- 10 At first I thought there was no one at home. Then, a light _____ (was lit/switched on) upstairs, so I knew someone was in.
- 11 At least half a dozen people _____ (watched without doing anything) while the man was being attacked.
- 12 Would you _____ (like) something to eat, Mrs Brown?

EXERCISE 9 Various verbs

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

call by
clear up
cut off
fall for

get by
go off
keep up
leave out

make out
pull down
take up
turn down

- 1 I don't know how they _____ (manage/survive financially) now that Harry's out of work.
- 2 As I didn't have enough money on me to pay the whole bill, I _____ (wrote out) a cheque for the rest.
- 3 The radio's very loud, David. Could you _____ it _____ (reduce the volume) a bit, please?
- 4 By the way, Clive _____ (paid a short visit) but you were out. So I told him to come and see you tomorrow instead.
- 5 She was the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. He _____ (was strongly attracted to her) in a big way.
- 6 'You've done very well, James,' said the teacher. '_____ it _____' (Try to maintain this standard!)
- 7 I hear they're going to _____ (demolish) those old houses in Church Lane and build a new supermarket there instead.
- 8 I was talking to my mother on the telephone when we were suddenly _____ (disconnected).
- 9 I wouldn't eat that meat if I were you, Pam. It's _____ (gone bad).
- 10 We'll have to sell the piano, darling. It _____ (occupies) too much room.
- 11 If it doesn't _____ (stop raining) soon, we'll have to cancel the match.
- 12 I would have got a much higher mark for my essay, but unfortunately I _____ (forgot to put in/omitted) one or two important facts.

EXERCISE 10 Verbs with particles and prepositions

Replace the words in brackets in the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. Choose from the ones below. Make any other changes that may be necessary.

catch up with
cut down on
drop in on
feel up to

get along with
get away with
get out of
get up to

go along with
hold on to
look down on
run out of

- 1 Thieves robbed a bank in Manchester last night and _____ (escaped with) nearly £250,000.
- 2 I've almost finished the book — I've _____ (reached) page 235.
- 3 Although I agree that there are too many immigrants here, I really can't _____ (agree with/support) your suggestion for a total ban on immigration.
- 4 At the end of the third lap the other runners were so far ahead of him that he knew he would never be able to _____ (draw level with) them.
- 5 It's really windy today, so _____ (keep hold of) your hat!
- 6 You couldn't go down to the shop, could you, Simon? We've _____ bread. (There isn't any bread left.)
- 7 They _____ us (regard us as inferior) just because we're poor.
- 8 I'm lucky to have a daughter like Alice, I suppose. She's always so happy and seems to _____ (have a friendly relationship with) everybody.
- 9 There were more than 50,000 spectators watching the match, so it took us nearly an hour to _____ (leave) the ground when it was over.
- 10 I don't think they'd really like it if we just _____ them (visited them without telling them first). You know how they like to tidy up before visitors come.
- 11 I'm saving up for a new car, so I've decided to _____ (reduce my consumption of) cigarettes, records and clothes.
- 12 I'm very flattered that you want me to make the speech at the end-of-term party, but, to be honest with you, Peter, I don't really _____ it (think I'm capable of doing it).