Phrasal Verbs Worksheet: Everyday Phrasal Verbs

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Form	Example
Verb + particle with a new meaning	give up (stop) · find out (discover)
Separable: object before or after the particle	Turn off the TV. Turn the TV off.
Pronoun always in the middle	Turn it off. (not Turn off it)
Inseparable: object always after	I look after my nephew. I look after him.

Typical mistakes

× Learners often say	✓ Say instead
Can you turn off it?	Can you turn it off?
I look my little brother after.	I look after my little brother.
She gave up to smoke.	She gave up smoking.

1. Complete

Complete with the phrasal verbs in the box: give up · find out · look after · turn down · run out of · get on with · pick up · put off.

1. I'll _____ you _____ from the station at six.
2. We've _____ milk. Can you buy some?
3. She _____ chocolate for a month. Not one piece!
4. Can you _____ the music? I'm trying to sleep.
5. I need to _____ what time the shop closes.
6. Who _____ your dog when you travel?
7. I _____ really well _____ my colleagues.
8. Don't _____ your homework until tomorrow.

2. Choose

Circle the correct option.

1. Please (turn it off / turn off it) when you leave.
2. I'm looking (for / after) my keys. Have you seen them?
3. She (takes after / takes off) her mother; they look identical.
4. Can you (fill in / fill on) this form, please?
5. The plane (took off / took out) at eight.
6. I can't (put up with / put on with) this noise any more.
7. He (looked up / looked at) the word in the dictionary.
8. (Throw them away / Throw away them). They're old.

3. Correct the mistakes

Each sentence has one mistake. Write it correctly.

1. Can you pick up me at eight?
2. I gave up to eat sugar.
3. She looks her grandmother after.
4. We ran out milk.
5. Put on it, it's cold.
6. I get on well to my boss.

Writing

Write about your morning routine and your week (6–7 sentences) using at least six phrasal verbs.

Speaking

- What time do you usually get up? And at the weekend?
- Is there anything you would like to give up? Why?
- Who do you get on best with in your family?
- What do you usually put off doing?

Answer key

1. Complete: 1 pick … up · 2 run out of · 3 gave up · 4 turn down · 5 find out · 6 looks after · 7 get on … with · 8 put off

2. Choose: 1 turn it off · 2 for · 3 takes after · 4 fill in · 5 took off · 6 put up with · 7 looked up · 8 Throw them away

3. Correct the mistakes: 1 Can you pick me up at eight? · 2 I gave up eating sugar. · 3 She looks after her grandmother. · 4 We ran out of milk. · 5 Put it on; it's cold. · 6 I get on well with my boss.

Writing, model answer: I usually wake up at seven, but I don't get up until quarter past. I put on my running clothes and go out for a short run. After breakfast I pick up my daughter's friend and drive them to school. At work I try not to put off difficult tasks. In the evening I look after my neighbour's cat. I'm trying to give up coffee after 4 p.m.