

SCIENCE OF LIFE

PHRASAL VERBS

- Chose the correct meaning of the following phrasal verbs. A dictionary can be used.

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| 1. KEEP UP | TO NAG |
| 2. KEEP TO | TO CONTINUE TO EMPLOY |
| 3. HOLD OUT | TO STOP SOMETHING FROM HAPPENING |
| 4. HOLD DOWN | TO RETAIN/KEEP |
| 5. HOLD BACK | TO INSIST ON |
| 6. KEEP DOWN | TO SUSTAIN/ MANTAIN |
| 7. HOLD WITH | TO DELAY |
| 8. HOLD UP | TO SUBSCRIBE TO/ AGREE WITH |
| 9. KEEP ON AT | CONTROL AT A LOW LEVEL |
| 10. KEEP ON | TO FOLLOW |

- Complete the sentences with the appropriate particle using the phrasal verbs of the previous exercise:

1- Regular cleaning in hospitals is necessary to keep _____ the levels of contamination

- a) DOWN
- b) TO
- c) ON

2- Prohibiting research that involves animals may hold _____ medical science

- a) UP
- b) BACK
- c) WITH

3- My doctor doesn't hold _____ that theory that coffee is bad for your health

- a) WITH
- b) BACK
- c) DOWN

4- Liam has always found it difficult to hold _____ a job as a nurse

- a) BACK
- b) DOWN
- c) OUT

5- There have been reports of operations being held _____ as a result of cutbacks

- a) WITH
- b) OUT
- c) UP

6- The striking health industry workers are holding _____ for more money

- a) WITH

a) OUT

b) UP

7- My doctor keeps on _____ me about my lack of a physical fitness regime

a) TO

b) ON AT

c) ON

8- I have to make sure that I keep _____ the diet that the doctor prescribed

a) ON

b) TO

c) UP

9- The local health centre can only keep _____ a limited number of workers

a) DOWN

b) ON

c) TO

10- The Minister for Health was sure that current levels of health care could be kept _____.

a) TO

b) AT ON

c) UP