

Phrasal Verbs with 'Take'



Activity 1

Complete the table with the right phrasal verb.

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take over

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take care of

take up

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take apart

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Phrasal verb	Meaning	Example
_____	Buying food or drinks to consume somewhere else.	I would like a vegan burger to _____, please.
_____	To return an item you have bought to a shop.	The T-shirt I bought online doesn't fit me. I have to _____ it _____.
_____	Removing something from a wall or dismantling a structure.	I need to _____ all the posters I have in my childhood bedroom.
_____	When an aeroplane leaves the ground and begins its flight.	Our flight _____ two hours later than expected.
_____	To employ somebody.	My company needs to _____ new staff.
_____	To look or behave like a member of your family.	Everyone says that I _____ my mother.
_____	To look after.	I can't make plans for the weekend, I have to _____ my sister.
_____	To learn or start to do something, especially for pleasure.	When I finish my studies I want to _____ painting.
_____	To go out with somebody you have invited.	I am going to _____ my husband _____ to a very nice restaurant.



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_____	Dismantling a device into its parts.	She will _____ her phone to fix it.
_____	To replace something or someone.	I am going on holiday in a month and I need to find somebody to _____ me _____.
_____	To allow someone to stay in your house.	Every summer, I _____ my friends from Chile for a week.

Activity 2

Create sentences using the following prompts.

1. Take out / cinema / friend / tonight

2. Visit / family / take in

3. Take up / new hobby / retired

4. Take care of / Monday / daughter

5. Coffee / two / take away

6. Take back / shoes / big / buy

7. Take after / son / mother



Activity 3

Complete the conversations with the right phrasal verb from activity 1.

Conversation 1

Marija: Dale, I think our flight is delayed!

Dale: What? How do you know?

Marija: I got a message saying that now the plane will _____ at 5:00 p.m.

Dale: Oh! Okay, let's go and get something to eat then.

Conversation 2

Amin: Hey Jane, how is Claire doing?

Jane: Well, I think she is much better but she is still upset.

Amin: Oh! hey, why don't we _____ her _____ tonight?

Jane: Good idea! How about going to the cinema?

Conversation 3

Maria: Romane, do you have a spare room in your house?

Romane: Yes, actually I have two spare rooms. Why?

Maria: Because Julie is coming for a visit and I don't have space in my house.

Romane: Really? That's nice! I can _____ her _____ if you want.

Conversation 4

Ross: The remote control isn't working.

Rene: What happened?

Ross: No idea! I am going to _____ it _____ to see what's wrong.

Rene: Let me know if you can't fix it so I get a new one on my way back.

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