Phrasal verbs

E Match to make sentences.

1	I'm going to have to mull this	..... A	together exactly what happened that evening.
2	Detectives are still trying to piece	..... B	in the fact that he'd never see her again.
3	It took him a very long time to take	 C	up a brilliant excuse to tell Rachel.
4	Tell us how you hit	..... D	over for a while before I make a final decision.
5	It took us ages to figure	..... E	this through properly yet.
6	I've just thought	..... F	out how to get everyone to the sports centre without Phil knowing.
7	I'm not sure we've thought	..... G	upon such a great idea for a website.

F Write one word in each gap so that each second sentence has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1 I need to consider your offer very carefully before I make a decision.
I need to ..... over your offer very carefully before I make a decision.

2 Lee had the brilliant idea of booking a clown for the end-of-term party.
Lee came .... the brilliant idea of booking a clown for the end-of-term party.

3 It's time you realised that you've got responsibilities now.
It's time you faced .... the fact that you've got responsibilities now.

4 I'm going to have to improve my spoken German before I go to Munich.
I'm going to have to brush .... my spoken German before I go to Munich.

5 I didn't like the idea at first but now I do.
I didn't like the idea at first but I've ..... round ..... it now.

6 It's a general knowledge quiz so you can't do any revision for it.
There's nothing to swot .... as it's a general knowledge quiz.

7 We were right at the back of the hall so I couldn't hear what the speaker was saying.
I was unable to ..... out what the speaker was saying because we were right at the back of the hall.

8 We finally thought of a way to get the band into the hotel without the press knowing.
We finally puzzled ..... a way to get the band into the hotel without the press knowing.

9 I've found out a lot of information about the history of English language teaching recently.
I've been ..... up on the history of English language teaching recently.

G Phrasal verbs with out, such as *puzzle out*, are often connected to the idea of finding information. Which of these phrasal verbs with out are also connected to this idea?

1 Did you **find out** what time the parents' meeting is?
2 I've been **check**ing **out** whether it's better to go by ferry or plane.
3 Susie reckons she's **suss**ed **out** a great way to get into the club for free.
4 We all **pile**d **out** into the playground.
5 I can't **figure out** how to change my password.
6 The band were completely **drown**ed **out** by all the screaming fans.
7 I'm going to **sound** Bob **out** about his investing in the company.
8 Two essays really do **stand out** from the rest.
9 Jan's good at keeping secrets, so you'll have to **worm** it **out** of her!
10 None of us could **fathom out** why the experiment wasn't working.

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