

Grammar Phrasal verbs



1 Choose the correct option in *italics* to complete the sentences.

- 1 Some members of staff are finding it difficult to get *through* / *by* / *in* on their salary.
- 2 When taking *out* / *in* / *off* a mortgage, clients need to consider interest rates.
- 3 You should put some money *by* / *in* / *on* every month for unexpected expenses.
- 4 Have you set a separate account *on* / *in* / *up* to pay for bills and rent?
- 5 If you fall behind *to* / *with* / *off* your payments, there will be a penalty charge.
- 6 The team is looking *onward* / *about* / *forward* to finishing the project.



2 Tick (✓) the correct sentence (a or b). Sometimes both sentences are correct.

- 1 a We would save money if we didn't eat out so often. ☐
- b We would save money if we didn't eat so often out. ☐
- 2 a The company needs to pay the loan back before September. ☐
- b The company needs to pay back the loan before September. ☐
- 3 a Many of their clients have run large debts up through overspending. ☐
- b Many of their clients have run up large debts through overspending. ☐
- 4 a The Finance Manager advised him to cut his expenses down on. ☐
- b The Finance Manager advised him to cut down on his expenses. ☐
- 5 a Too many people put speaking to an advisor about important financial decisions off. ☐
- b Too many people put off speaking to an advisor about important financial decisions. ☐
- 6 a They will carry on paying back the loan with the current terms and conditions. ☐
- b They will carry paying back the loan on with the current terms and conditions. ☐



3 Match the correct sentence (1–6) in Exercise 2 with the type of phrasal verb (a–c).

- a Transitive, separable — , —
- b Intransitive, i.e. no object —
- c Transitive, non-separable — , — , —