

# Phrasal verbs 1

Write a preposition(s) or particle(s) from the box after each verb in bold in these sentences to make phrasal verbs. The meaning of each phrasal verb is in italics at the end of each sentence.

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1. Some parents are criticised for the way they **bring** ..... their children. (*raise*)
2. The committee members **fell** ..... over plans for the new health centre. (*argued*)
3. They refused to **face** ..... their responsibilities, with disastrous consequences. (*accept an unpleasant state of affairs, and try to deal with it*)
4. At the last minute we had to **call** ..... our visit to the museum. (*not to go ahead with something*)
5. I can always **count** ..... my best friend to be there when I need him. (*rely / depend*)
6. Many developing countries are failing to **catch** ..... their more developed neighbours. (*get to the same level*)
7. As the wind **dies** ....., the heat and humidity gradually begin to rise. (*becomes less strong*)
8. An alarming number of students **drop** ..... school early every year. (*leave*)
9. Major international companies can't **figure** ..... the popularity of the anti-capitalist movement. (*find it hard to understand*)
10. If they examined the issues more closely, they would **find** ..... the reasons for the changes. (*discover*)
11. As we **grow** ..... our priorities change. (*change from being children to being adults*),
12. Students can be quite creative with the reasons they give for not **handing** ..... their homework. (*giving their teachers*)
13. Salaries very rarely **keep** ..... the cost of living. (*rise at the same speed as*)
14. The article is very detailed, but **leaves** ..... the reasons for demographic change. (*does not include*)
15. The lecturer **pointed** ..... all of the places on the map where similar incidents had occurred. (*showed*)
16. Before you write your essay, you should **look** ..... the Party's history. (*research*)
17. Many employees **carried** ..... working despite pressure from the unions. (*continued*)
18. Once people **fall** ..... with their mortgage payments, they come under extreme financial pressure from their bank. (*become late*)
19. The first step to a healthier lifestyle is to **cut** ..... amount of salt you consume. (*reduce*)
20. It is becoming more common for people to **cut** ..... meat from their diet. (*stop eating*)
21. In the late 1990s, a lot of large supermarket chains **took** ..... premises that had previously been run by small, independent retailers. (*assumed control*)
22. When computer technology fails us, we have to **make do** ..... more primitive methods. They're called 'pen and paper'. (*use something because there is nothing else available*)
23. In this essay, I'd like to **put** ..... the arguments for and against globalism. (*suggest or state the case for something*)
24. When I **look** ..... my childhood, I remember the many sacrifices my parents made for me. (*think about something that happened in the past*)