

Exercise 1

Match the verbs with the particles to make phrasal verbs from this unit.

through | up | behind | to | out | for

1 catch / look / mix / sign	_____	4 opt	_____
2 cut / drop / find / hand / leave / miss	_____	5 relate	_____
3 run / look / go	_____	6 fall	_____

Exercise 2

Match phrasal verbs 1–8 with definitions A–H.

1 Andrew found the course difficult and dropped out after a month.	A find information in a book or website
2 They were discussing a complex idea, so it was hard to take it all in.	B leave something you are involved in before it is finished
3 Dana missed two classes, so it took her a while to catch up.	C decide to do something
4 At university Elias opted for political history and economics.	D be connected with something
5 This chapter relates closely to the last one.	E pay attention so that you understand something
6 I looked up his address on the company website.	F give things out to people in a group
7 She handed out the certificates to everyone in the class.	G discuss something to make sure someone understands it
8 He went over the instructions with me again to make sure I understood.	H reach the same standard or level as someone else

Exercise 3

Complete the sentences. Choose the best answers.

- 1 If you don't know the meaning of a word, look it *up / through / over*.
- 2 I want to find *over / out / up* more information about this subject.
- 3 Would you mind running *at / behind / through* the details once more, just so I am quite clear?
- 4 You've missed *up / in / out* a full stop at the end of that sentence.
- 5 Many students drop *out / in / up* of university during the first year.
- 6 There's too much information here to take *up / over / in* at once.

Exercise 4

Answer the questions.

- 1 If you opt for something, do you choose to do it or not?
- 2 If you hand something out, do you give it to someone or take it from someone?
- 3 If you sign up for something, do you agree or disagree to become involved with it?
- 4 If you need to catch up on work, are you at the same standard as others, or below it?
- 5 If you go over some work, do you repeat it or examine it closely?
- 6 If you run through some work, do you do it quickly or in detail?

Exercise 5

Complete the sentences with the phrasal verbs in the box.

looks at | cut out | run through | handed in | fall behind | missed ... out

- 1 She _____ pictures from magazines for her art project.
- 2 If you miss too many classes, you might _____ in your studies.
- 3 He _____ the essay to his teacher a day late.
- 4 The film _____ the fascinating history of the country.
- 5 I think you have _____ a few things _____ in your report.
- 6 I'll just _____ a quick summary of the findings.

Exercise 6

Replace the underlined verbs with a phrasal verb from the box with the same meaning.

finding out | looks at | run through | looking through
take in | went over | missed ... out | mix up

- 1 I was looking at your report when I noticed a mistake.
- 2 The name is spelled with an 'e' at the end – you've left it out.
- 3 First, let me go through today's agenda.
- 4 Try not to confuse the two issues.
- 5 In her book she considers the position of women in society.
- 6 I was able to understand most of what he was saying.
- 7 I enjoy learning about different cultures in the world.
- 8 We discussed the results in great detail.

Exercise 7

Read Ruby's comments about her university degree. Underline all the phrasal verbs, then match them with the correct definitions 1–6.

After I finished high school, I signed up to do a degree in Biology at Leeds University. I wanted to find out more about Biotechnology, so I opted for a short course on it during my first semester. At first it was a lot to take in and I was worried I would fall behind. But my tutor went over the coursework with me and by the end of the year I passed the course.

- 1 not reach the same standard or level as other people
- 2 signed an agreement to do a course of study
- 3 understand something
- 4 learn something
- 5 helped me to understand something by talking about it
- 6 decided to do something

Exercise 8

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the phrasal verbs in the box.

drop out | relate to | run over | hand in | find out | sign up

- 1 Professor Jeong _____ to the organization last May.
- 2 We'll begin by _____ the recommended reading material for this course.
- 3 These figures do not _____ patients over the age of 65.
- 4 If you want to _____ more, click on the link below.
- 5 Jason _____ of school at the age of 14.
- 6 Please _____ your reports to your teacher by next Wednesday.

(I'll just run through my speech one more time.)

**Your turn!**

What would you like to learn more about? Use the phrasal verbs in this unit to talk about this. For example:

I'd like to find out more about the history of my country.