

Phrasal verbs

Transitive & Intransitive phrasal verbs

SEPARABLE

(transitive)

- 1) show off (display proudly)
- 2) carry on (continue)
- 3) wear out (destroy by overuse)
- 4) turn up (arrive, increase volume)
- 5) look up (seek info)
- 6) put on (organize)
- 7) burn down (destroy by fire)
- 8) try on (wear to see if it fits)
- 9) clean up (tidy up)
- 10) pull through (recover)
- 11) set up (start)

INSEPARABLE

(transitive)

- 1) get down (to) (start)
- 2) look forward to (anticipate)
- 3) get over (recover)
- 4) come up (with) (think)
- 5) take care (of) (protect)
- 6) join in (participate)
- 7) go on (continue)
- 8) take up (start doing)
- 9) go for (choose)
- 10) find out (discover)
- 11) get along with (have a friendly relationship)

(intransitive)

- 1) go off (explode)
- 2) set off (depart - start a trip)
- 3) end up (finish)
- 4) dress up (put on costumes)
- 5) carry on (continue)
- 6) break up (end a relationship)
- 7) give in (consent, surrender)
- 8) break down (stop working)

1) Match the verbs with their correct meaning

explode

display proudly

recover

depart

anticipate - expect

continue

destroy by overuse

finish

start



The bomb went off at midday.

We set off for the beach.

They're travelling across Europe and are planning to end up in Moscow.

He bought that sports car to show off to his friends.

Dianne is carrying on the family tradition by becoming a lawyer.

Tomas wore the same pajamas until he worn them out.

I've got a lot of work to do, so I'd better get down to it.

I'm really looking forward to my holiday.

They had a big problem, but after talking, they got over it.

2) Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

down forward in of off on over up

- a) A firework went _____ with an incredible loud noise.
- b) I know you're sad now, but you'll get _____ it soon.
- c) I'm feeling tired and I think I'll stay _____ this evening.
- d) Look at this mess! Who's going to clean it _____?
- e) She's taking care _____ her baby brother tonight.
- f) The neighbors asked us to turn _____ the music because they couldn't sleep.
- g) We're really looking _____ to seeing you.
- h) You should put _____ some warm clothes.

3) Rewrite the sentences. Replace the words in bold with the phrasal verbs in the box.

Put on go off go on get over join in look forward to
head for

- a) She was **expecting to see** her grandchildren again.
- b) We can't **continue** like this, Ron.
- c) Saskia and Freddie **are organizing** a big party.
- d) He never **recovered from** his wife's death.
- e) Hello? Yes, we are **moving towards** Boston now.
- f) This is fun! Why don't you come and **participate**?
- g) Fortunately, the bomb didn't **explode**.