

## Phrasal verbs

- 1 Complete the text with the correct form of the phrasal verbs below.

come across   come up with   look up   look up to  
run out of   throw away   turn into   work out

In Kelvin Doe's home in Sierra Leone, there is no reliable supply of electricity. So when Kelvin, at the age of ten, <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the idea of starting up his own radio station, few people took him seriously. But Kelvin began by making his own battery. He used things which people had <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, including a piece of metal and an old cup. Amazingly, it worked! But his battery soon <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ power – so he had to build a generator. He searched a rubbish dump until he <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ some old DVD players. He took them apart and used the parts. Next, he needed some electronic equipment for his radio station. How could he build that? He couldn't <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ online or in a library, so he <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ for himself. Other children in his town <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ him and call him DJ Focus. And his radio station has <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an important local facility. People take their phones there to charge them!

**2 Complete the sentences with one verb and one or two particles below. You can use the words more than once.**

Verbs   count   hold   look   take

Particles   after   down   on   up

- 1 Can you \_\_\_\_\_ my cat while I'm away?
- 2 Both girls \_\_\_\_\_ their aunt; they love art, and so did she.
- 3 I'd like to talk to you before you leave, but I don't want to \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 You shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ people just because they are poor.
- 5 I need a reliable assistant, and I know I can \_\_\_\_\_ you.