

## Phrasal Verbs – CUT1

**Exercise 1: Choose the correct meaning for the phrasal verb in each sentence.**

1. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ our expenses if we want to save money this year.
  - a) cut across
  - b) cut back
  - c) cut down
  - d) cut into
2. The new road will \_\_\_\_\_ the forest, making it easier to reach the town.
  - a) cut across
  - b) cut through
  - c) cut off
  - d) cut down
3. You should \_\_\_\_\_ sugar from your diet to stay healthier.
  - a) cut out
  - b) cut up
  - c) cut into
  - d) cut off
4. The company decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the number of staff to reduce costs.
  - a) cut back
  - b) cut down
  - c) cut through
  - d) cut out
5. He accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ his finger while chopping vegetables.
  - a) cut across
  - b) cut off
  - c) cut up
  - d) cut into
6. The telephone line was \_\_\_\_\_ during the storm, so we couldn't reach anyone.
  - a) cut into
  - b) cut across
  - c) cut off
  - d) cut back
7. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ a small piece of the cake but was told not to.
  - a) cut off
  - b) cut down
  - c) cut into
  - d) cut back
8. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ our meeting time to fit everything in.
  - a) cut across
  - b) cut out
  - c) cut down
  - d) cut through

9. They decided to \_\_\_\_\_ the old tree to make room for new buildings.  
a) cut down  
b) cut off  
c) cut up  
d) cut through
10. He was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the thick rope with a sharp knife.  
a) cut down  
b) cut across  
c) cut up  
d) cut through

**Exercise 2: Complete the sentences using the correct phrasal verb.**

1. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ my expenses because I was spending too much on clothes.
2. The new law will \_\_\_\_\_ the company's profits.
3. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the presentation into smaller sections to make it easier to follow.
4. They had to \_\_\_\_\_ the event because of bad weather.
5. The workers were asked to \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of waste they produce.
6. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ all sugar from my coffee starting tomorrow.
7. We had to \_\_\_\_\_ the old tree because it was in the way of the construction.
8. I accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ my hand while I was cooking dinner.
9. The dog ran straight into the road and \_\_\_\_\_ the traffic for a while.
10. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ all junk food from my diet.