

Phrases with get

VOCABULARY BANK

1 EXPRESSIONS WITH GET

a Complete the sentences with the expressions in the list.

a shock hold of into trouble with out of the way rid of the chance
the impression the joke to know (my / your, etc.) own back on

- 1 I get the impression you're a bit annoyed with me.
- 2 You'll get when you see him. He looks awful.
- 3 Since we stopped working together, we hardly ever get to see each other.
- 4 Everyone else laughed, but I didn't get .
- 5 When you get him, I think you'll really like him.
- 6 I need to speak to Martina urgently, but I just can't get her.
- 7 I want to get that awful painting, but I can't because it was a wedding present from my mother-in-law.
- 8 I'm going to get my brother for telling my parents I got home late. Now I won't lend him my bike.
- 9 He's going to get his wife if he's late again.
- 10 I tried to walk past him, but he wouldn't get .

b (24) Listen and check. What do the expressions mean?

2 IDIOMS WITH GET

a Match sentences 1–10 to A–J.

- 1 ☒ **I Get real!**
 - 2 ☐ **Get a life!**
 - 3 ☐ **I'm not getting anywhere** with this crossword.
 - 4 ☐ She really **gets on my nerves**.
 - 5 ☐ She really needs to **get her act together**.
 - 6 ☐ They **get on like a house on fire**.
 - 7 ☐ You should **get a move on**.
 - 8 ☐ Your grandfather must be **getting on** a bit.
 - 9 ☐ My boyfriend just never **gets the message**.
 - 10 ☐ She always **gets her own way**.
- A It's just too difficult for me.
B Is he in his eighties now?
C They have exactly the same tastes and interests.
D Her exam is in two weeks and she hasn't even started studying.
E If you don't leave soon, you'll miss the train.
F Everything about her irritates me, her voice, her smile – everything!
G He just does whatever she tells him to.
H I keep dropping hints about us getting engaged, but he takes no notice.
I There's no way you can afford that car!
J You're 40 and you're still living with your parents!

b (25) Listen and check. What do the idioms mean?

activation Make personal sentences with two expressions from 1 and two idioms from 2, and tell a partner.

3 PHRASAL VERBS WITH GET

a Match the **bold** phrasal verbs to A–L.

- 1 ☒ **J** How often do you **get together with** your extended family?
- 2 ☐ How long do you think it usually takes people to **get over** a break-up?
- 3 ☐ How do you react if somebody interrupts you when you're trying to **get on with** some work?
- 4 ☐ Do you have any friends who you find it difficult to **get through to** in spite of trying to talk to them honestly?
- 5 ☐ What are the best subjects to study in your country if you want to **get into** politics?
- 6 ☐ What's the best way to **get around** your city, on foot or by public transport?
- 7 ☐ Have you ever cheated in an exam but **got away with** it?
- 8 ☐ What's the minimum amount of money you would need to **get by** if you were living alone in your town?
- 9 ☐ If you **get a bit behind** with your work or studies during the week, do you make up for it at the weekend?
- 10 ☐ Does bad weather ever **get you down**?
- 11 ☐ In your family, who is best at **getting out of** doing their share of the housework?
- 12 ☐ If you leave people a message, does it annoy you if they don't **get back to** you immediately?

- A recover from
B start a career or profession
C move from place to place
D make sb understand
E manage with what you have
F fail to make enough progress
G depress you
H respond to sb by speaking or writing
I avoid a responsibility or obligation
J meet socially
K continue doing
L do sth wrong without getting caught

b (26) Listen and check.

activation Ask and answer the questions in 3 with a partner.

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