

Phrasal Verbs

1 Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.

- Someone **broke out** / **broke into** our house at the weekend and stole all our electronic goods.
- Your son lies, steals and is always in trouble. I don't know how you **put him away** / **put up with him**.
- The police caught the mugger, but he **got away** / **got away with** while they were taking him to the station.
- There have been burglaries in the area recently, so **lock up** / **lock in** your valuables if you're going away.
- This bloodstained shirt **ties up** / **ties in with** the murder. We can use it as evidence.
- We know you're in there, Bugsy! **Give back** / **Give up** now before you get hurt.

2 Now match the phrasal verbs you didn't use in 1 with the meanings below and then write a sentence using each one in your notebook.

- _____ : do something bad without being punished for it
- _____ : return something to someone
- _____ : put someone in a place that they can't get out of
- _____ : escape from prison
- _____ : put rope, etc around someone so they can't move
- _____ : send someone to prison

Commonly Confused Words

3 Complete the pairs of sentences with the words in bold.

- stole** **robbed**
 - Somebody _____ the bank this morning. They took a lot of money, but no one was hurt.
 - I can't believe you _____ a tablet from the shop! I'm calling the police.
- kill** **die**
 - I didn't mean to _____ him, Officer. It was a terrible mistake.
 - She was in a very bad accident and we're afraid that she might _____.
- accuse** **excuse**
 - If you'll _____ me for a moment, I'll be right back.
 - You should never _____ anyone of stealing something until you know for sure that they did it.
- avoid** **prevent**
 - Keep away from those boys if you want to _____ getting into trouble.
 - The police have set up a new department to help _____ teens from breaking the law.
- quite** **quiet**
 - This book is called *Murder on the Orient Express*. It's _____ good.
 - Why are you being so _____? Is something wrong?
- lose** **loose**
 - Those ropes are too _____. Make them tighter or he'll escape.
 - If we _____ the court case, the murderer will be a free man.

Collocations & Expressions

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of these words.

arrest a criminal be on the run catch someone red-handed do time
find someone guilty send someone to prison turn to a life of crime

- The detectives _____; he was holding the bloodstained knife!
- The thief admitted his crime and the judge _____ for three years.
- Many poor teens _____ in order to get money to buy things.
- Tim's Dad _____ for burglary. He will get out of prison in two weeks.
- I've only been a policeman for a few days, so I _____ yet.
- The judge _____ of shoplifting and made her pay a fine.
- Apparently the murderer _____ and may be on his way to Hull.