

Advanced Phrasal Verbs

Choose the phrasal verb that would be most appropriate when talking about each of these sentences.

1. John forgot Mary's birthday so the next day he brought her out to lunch

Catch on *pack in* *make up for*

2. When they thought about it and realised what had happened, they were furious.

Size up *think over* *dawn on*

3. All he ever thinks about is computer games.

Put off *wind up* *revolve around*

4. She was very ill as a child and her skin was covered in blisters.

Break out in *put off* *set out to*

5. He was chewing really loudly and I couldn't hear myself think.

mistake (someone/something) for (someone/something) *put off* *think over*

6. Nelson Mandela wanted to end racism in South Africa

Break off *wind up* *stand for*

7. He slammed his laptop shut and rested his head on the desk.

Put off *pack in* *settle up with*

8. He was stealing from the shop, so they fired him.

Wind up *pack in* *think over*

9. He didn't want to go so he pretended that he was sick

Pull out of

put off

break off

10. They accidentally gave us free drinks and treated us very well.

Settle up with

mistake (someone/something) for (someone/something)

catch on

11. She started crying and wouldn't talk to us again.

Break off

pack in

take apart

12. The rain was so strong that it blew the house over.

Take apart

pack in

grow out of

13. He looked him up and down and then punched the robber in the face.

Size up

put off

settle up with

14. Did they give you that money they owe you?

Settle up with

set out to

dawn on

15. He couldn't sleep all night because he was terrified about what she might say.

Put off

think over

see off

16. He wanted to sail around the world

Set out to

think over

break off

17. It took years for the virus to go away.

Put off

catch on

die away

18. He didn't have a chance to say goodbye, he had been too busy working.

See off

pack in

pull out of

19. He used to swear a lot.

Grow out of

pack in

catch on

20. It really is becoming more popular.

Put off

size up

catch on