

Phrasal verbs

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Phrasal verbs revision

Type 1 – phrasal verbs with no object

The verb and particle are never separated:

be on TV, **grow up** on a farm, **move back** to the city, **settle down** to start a family, **turn over** to another channel

Type 2 – phrasal verbs with an object – separable

The verb and particle can be separated:

back up a file, **close down** a shop, **put together** a piece of furniture, **put up** shelves, **send back** something you bought online, **set up** a wi-fi network, **switch off** a computer, **take out** the rubbish, **throw away** leftover food, **try on** clothes, **turn up / down / on / off** the TV, **keep away** insects

Type 3 – phrasal verbs with an object – inseparable

The verb and particle(s) are never separated:

ask for the bill, **be out of** a new product, **look for** a cash machine, **look round** a shop, **sell out of** a size, **zoom in on** sth you want to photograph

2 PHRASAL VERBS WITH AWAY AND BACK

The meaning of the particle

With some phrasal verbs, the meaning of the particle (the preposition or adverb after the verb) can help you to understand the phrasal verb, e.g. **away** often means to a different place, **out of sight**, and **back** often means to return an action, e.g. **go back**.

a Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.

be (x2) call get give put run take

away

- 1 Don't _____ away! I won't hurt you.
- 2 The boss will _____ away until the end of next week. He's at a conference in Mexico.
- 3 Please _____ your toys away. They're all over the floor.
- 4 If you take a paracetamol, it'll _____ the pain away!

back

- 5 I'm sorry, but I'm confiscating your phone. You'll _____ it back at the end of the day.
- 6 He's out, I'm afraid. Could you _____ back in about half an hour?
- 7 A Where are you going?
B Just to the shops. I'll _____ back in ten minutes.
- 8 That's my book! _____ it back.

b 7.4 Listen and check.

3 MORE PHRASAL VERBS WITH TAKE

a Complete the gaps with a particle from the list.

after apart on off (x2) out over up

- 1 Sorry, I can't come tonight. I'm **taking** my girlfriend _____ for dinner.
- 2 They're **taking** _____ ten new interns at Radio London. Why don't we apply?
- 3 I **take** _____ my mother. We're both very outgoing.
- 4 The plane **took** _____ twenty minutes late.
- 5 Unfortunately, my company was **taken** _____ by a multinational firm, and I lost my job.
- 6 **Take** _____ your shoes, please. I've just cleaned the floor.
- 7 You need to **take** the keyboard _____ to clean it properly.
- 8 I need to do more exercise. I think I'll **take** _____ cycling.

b 7.5 Listen and check.

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