

Phrasal Verbs Practice | Lesson 26

bring up | go off | put out | look out | hold up

Example Dialogues

Jeff : Henry, do you have any news about our new client's money?

Henry : Yes. I just forgot to **bring up** the issue during our meeting.

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Mandy : The alarm is now installed. It will **go off** as soon as it detects any smoke.

Chloe : I hope there won't be any fires to **put out**, but better to be safe than sorry, right Mandy?

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Harry : Can you please **look out** for the mailman? I am expecting a package today.

Randy : I would, but I will be **held up** all day at work, so I might miss him.

 Try to figure out the meaning of these phrasal verbs.

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Example Passage

I have been trying to **bring up** getting a pet to my parents, but I ended **holding up** the idea because I realized that owning a pet is a huge responsibility! Our discussion would have **gone off** without any problems, because they are both animal lovers, but the fact that I would have to **look out** for it all the time makes me think twice. Nonetheless, I will **put out** a notice online. Maybe someone has puppies up for adoption, and until I receive a response, I will have time to think about it.



Again, try to figure out the meaning of these phrasal verbs.

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Definitions

bring up | to mention something; to raise a child

He didn't **bring up** any issues, so I assumed everything went well.

My friend was **brought up** in a very religious family.

go off | to leave; to happen in a particular way

I will **go off** on holiday with my friends.

The elections **went off** without incidents.

put out | to publish; to extinguish a fire

She has already **put out** three novels.

The firemen **put out** the fire in under an hour.

look out | to be vigilant; to warn someone of potential danger

If you are going hiking, you should **look out** for wild animals.

Look out! There is a car coming your way!

hold up | to obstruct or delay; steal from someone using violence

I was late for work because I got **held up** in a traffic jam.

Hey guys, **hold up!** I can't run that fast.

They **held** the same bank **up** twice thus far.

Make sure you can understand the meaning of these phrasal verbs.

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Practice

Answer using the correct **phrasal verbs** (in the correct form) to complete the sentences.

- 1 | I will _____ my child with strong moral values.
- 2 | If you don't _____ the fire quickly, it will spread.
- 3 | As soon as the alarm _____ the police arrived on the scene.
- 4 | Don't get _____ at the party! We have a lot of work to do tomorrow morning.
- 5 | When I go shopping, I am always on the _____ for the best deals.
- 6 | You should _____ for any clues that could help us solve this mystery.
- 7 | I _____ to school without taking my lunchbox.
- 8 | Never _____ that topic _____ again!
- 9 | _____ the ball before you throw it so the dog can see it clearly.
- 10 | I will _____ my new music album on iTunes in February.



APPLICATION:

Create your own sentences using these phrasal verbs.

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Exercise

Answer using the correct **phrasal verbs** (in the correct form) to complete the dialogue.

Ashley and her boss are talking about the next issue of their newspaper.

Boss : Hello, Ashley! What is the status? Are we ready to _____ the next issue on Monday?

Ashley : Well, I didn't want to _____ this _____ yet, but we have a problem. The design team is being _____ because of some problems with the software.

Boss : Have you contacted the IT guys yet?

Ashley : Yes. They are trying to fix the problem and _____ for the causes that led to the software crash.

Boss : When did this happen?

Ashley : Yesterday evening, right after the power _____. The software stopped responding after the blackout passed.

Boss : I hope they can fix this soon enough!



APPLICATION:

Create your own dialogue using these phrasal verbs with your teacher.

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