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Communicative Phrasal Verbs

Practise phrasal verbs through speaking!

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Over 200 phrasal verbs!



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Introduction

Communicative Phrasal Verbs is a collection of practical activities that help students learn and practise over 200 of the most commonly used phrasal verbs in English. The book is organised into 20 theme-based units, and each unit follows the same three steps, moving from controlled practice to free speaking practice.

1. **Sentence match**
   Students match sentence halves and notice the context in which each phrasal verb is used, together with its type (transitive, intransitive, separable, inseparable). This helps them work out the meaning of each verb.

2. **Meaning**
   Students test their understanding by matching each phrasal verb with its meaning.

3. **Speaking**
   Students complete conversation questions with phrasal verbs from the box, changing the form where necessary, and then use them in discussion. Follow-up questions encourage students to expand on their answers.

The 20 units are followed by **four revision sheets**, which give students the chance to consolidate and reflect on what they have learnt.

The **bonus material** includes mini dialogues, which introduce extra phrasal verbs in natural conversation, and **study cards** – mini flashcards, each with a phrasal verb in a typical collocation – which can be cut out and used for revision. A full **answer key** is provided at the end of the book.

The e-book is best suited to **B1, B2 and C1** students. It can be used as a self-study workbook or as a teaching resource to complement any course.

Tips for teachers

- Every page is A4 and printer-friendly, and the PDF can also be annotated on a tablet.
- For B2/C1 groups, ask students to cover the phrasal verb box in Step 3 and complete the questions from memory.
- Use the speaking questions for pair work, small-group discussion or as a warmer at the start of a lesson.

Unit 3 Travel

Steps 1 & 2 · Matching

1 Sentence match

Match the sentence halves to make phrasal verbs. Pay attention to the context.

1. We like to **set** ...	**a.** ... **around** my town is by tram.
2. I always feel nervous when the plane **takes** ...	**b.** ... **out** travel insurance in case one of us gets sick.
3. I will happily **show** you ...	**c.** ... **up** from the airport if you like.
4. Don't book any accommodation. I can **put** you ...	**d.** ... **forward to** my cruise on the Danube.
5. I can't come to your party as we're **going** ...	**e.** ... **around** and do nothing.
6. The best way to **get** ...	**f.** ... **around** my city when you come to visit.
7. Holiday time is the only time when I can just **laze** ...	**g.** ... **off**, but I'm OK once we're in the air.
8. We should **take** ...	**h.** ... **up** for those couple of days.
9. I can **pick** you ...	**i.** ... **off** early in order to beat the crowds.
10. I'm **looking** ...	**j.** ... **away** for a few days.

Answers: 1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____ 5 ____ 6 ____ 7 ____ 8 ____ 9 ____ 10 ____

2 Meaning

Match the phrasal verbs with their meaning.

1. the plane **takes off** smoothly	**a.** leave home to go somewhere
2. **set off** early	**b.** buy (a policy, insurance)
3. **show** sb **around** your hometown	**c.** collect
4. **put** sb **up** for the night	**d.** become airborne (about a plane)
5. **go away** for the weekend	**e.** go from place to place
6. **get around** a city	**f.** be excited about sth that will happen
7. **laze around** by the pool	**g.** start your journey
8. **take out** travel insurance	**h.** let sb stay at your place
9. **pick** sb **up** from the airport	**i.** be someone's tour guide
10. **look forward to** your weekend getaway	**j.** do very little

Answers: 1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____ 5 ____ 6 ____ 7 ____ 8 ____ 9 ____ 10 ____

Unit 3 Travel

3 Speaking

Complete the questions with a phrasal verb from the box. Change the form if necessary.

get around	go away	laze around	look forward to	pick up
put up	set off	show around	take off	take out

1. Do you usually _____ for the weekend, or do you prefer to stay at home? Where did you go last time?

2. Do you feel nervous when the plane _____? Do you generally enjoy flying, or is it just a way of getting from A to B?

3. What's the best way to _____ your city if you're a tourist? Is public transport reliable and affordable?

4. Do you like to keep busy on holiday, or do you prefer to _____ by the pool? What does your ideal holiday day look like?

5. Do you always _____ travel insurance? Have you ever needed to use it?

6. When was the last time you _____ someone _____ your city or country? Where did you take them? Did you enjoy being a tour guide?

7. Couch surfing is a service where people offer travellers a free bed. Would you trust a stranger to _____ you _____ for the night? Would you host someone yourself?

8. Do you tend to _____ early and start exploring a new place at dawn, or do you prefer to sleep in and take things easy?

9. When was the last time you _____ someone _____ from the airport? Is it fair to ask friends to do this, or is that what friends are for?

10. Have you got any holidays or long weekends planned for this year? Which one are you most _____ and why?

Speaking tip

Don't just say yes or no – give a reason, an example or a story. Ask your partner a follow-up question!

Study cards

Cut out & revise

Cut out the cards and use them for revision, on your own or with a partner.

Unit 3

take out travel insurance



Unit 3

pick sb **up** from the airport



Unit 3

look forward to your weekend getaway



Unit 4

take ages to **boot up**



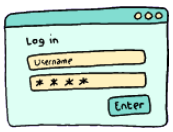
Unit 4

back up your files



Unit 4

log into your account



Unit 4

hack into sb's computer



Unit 4

pop up on your screen



Unit 4

print out a document



Unit 4

sign up for a newsletter



Unit 4

computer systems **go down**



Unit 4

do without the internet



Unit 4

filter out spam



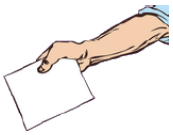
Unit 5

fill in for a colleague who's sick



Unit 5

hand in your notice



Unit 5

get along with your boss



Unit 5

turn down a job offer



Unit 5

come up with a solution to a problem



Unit 5

burn out and lose all motivation



Unit 5

take on new responsibilities



Unit 5

set up a business



Unit 5

clock on and off every day



Unit 5

lay off staff



Unit 6

hang up on a rude colleague



Unit 6

top up credit on your phone



Unit 6

get through to customer service



Unit 6

pick up the phone

