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# 20 Common Phrasal Verbs

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#### **Look after:**

Meaning: to take care of

Example: Can you look after my cat

while I'm on vacation?

#### Put on:

Meaning: to wear

Example: I need to put on my coat; it's cold outside.

#### Give up:

Meaning: to stop doing something

Example: I need to give up smoking; it's not good for my health.

#### Take off:

Meaning: to remove (clothing)

Example: It's hot; can I take off my jacket?

#### **Come across:**

Meaning: to find by chance

Example: I came across an interesting book at the library.

#### Find out:

Meaning: to discover or obtain information

Example: I want to find out more about this topic.

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#### Go out:

Meaning: to leave one's home to go somewhere socially

Example: Let's go out for dinner tonight.

#### Get up:

Meaning: to rise from bed

Example: I get up early every morning for work.

#### Call back:

Meaning: to return a phone call

Example: I missed your call. I'll call you back later.

#### **Turn on:**

Meaning: to activate or start

Example: Can you turn on the TV for me?

#### Bring up:

Meaning: to mention a topic

Example: She brought up the idea of a weekend getaway.

#### **Turn off:**

Meaning: to deactivate or stop

Example: Don't forget to turn off the lights when you leave.

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#### Set up:

Meaning: to arrange or establish

Example: We're setting up a meeting for next week.

#### Wake up:

Meaning: to rouse from sleep

Example: I usually wake up at 6 a.m. during the week.

#### Turn up:

Meaning: to arrive or appear

Example: He turned up late to the party.

#### Go on:

Meaning: to continue

Example: The meeting will go on until 4 p.m.

#### **Break down:**

Meaning: to stop functioning

Example: My car broke down on the way to work.

#### Look up:

Meaning: to search for information

Example: I don't know the meaning of this word; I'll look it up.



#### **Look for:**

Meaning: to search for

Example: I'm looking for my keys; have

you seen them?

#### **Bring back:**

Meaning: to return with something

Example: Can you bring back some groceries from the store?