

PHRASAL VERB DICTIONARY

Ask after	to ask for news of
Ask in	allow sb to get in
Be away	to be on a trip
Be back	to return
Be blown down	to be knocked to the ground
Be cut off	be unable to leave or reach a place or communicate with sb
Be for	in favour of
Be in	to be in a place
Be made up of	consist of
Be off	1. be disconnected
	2. to be rotten
	3. to leave
Be on	1. be connected
	2. to be programmed: <i>what is on?</i>
Be on about	speak with tiresome persistence of sth
Be out	be outside, not in the home or at work
Be over	at an end
Be sick	vomit
Be up	1. happen ----- what's up?
	2. be up from bed
Be up to	to be doing, usually negatively meant ----- estar tramando
Blow up	(cause to) explode
Break down	When a machine or a vehicle breaks down, it stops working
	collapse, stop working, start to cry
Break off	If you break off a relationship or agreement, you end it.
Break out	start fighting ----- estallar
Bring about	To bring something about means to cause it to happen
Bring along	If you bring something or someone along, you bring them when you come to a place
Bring back	1. return
	2. If something brings back an event or memory from your past, it makes you think about it

	3. When people bring back something that existed in the earlier time, they introduce it again (=Revive)
Bring down	If people or events bring down a government or ruler, they cause them to lose their power
	To bring down the level of something means to reduce it
Bring in	carry inside
Bring off	1. If someone brings off something difficult they do it successfully (=pull off)
	2. Burn sth off : consume to the limit
Bring out	When a person or company brings out a new product, they produce it and sell it
Bring up	1. carry upstairs, educate ----- educar
	2. When you bring up a child, you look after it until it is grown up and you try to give it particular beliefs and attitudes (=Raise)
	3. When you bring up a particular subject, you mention it or introduce it into a discussion or conversation.
Bring up sth	mention
Burst in	enter a place all of a sudden ----- entrar de repente
Burst into	begin suddenly to cry, to flower or to burn ----- romper a
Call back	If you call someone back, you telephone them again in return for a telephone call they have made to you
Call for sb	collect sb, pick up sb
Call in	make a short visit
Call off	If you call off an event or an arrangement that has been planned, you cancel it.
Carry around	take from one place to another
Carry on	If you carry on with an activity, you continue doing it.
Carry on with	continue
Catch on	If something catches on, it becomes popular
Catch up on	When you catch up on something, you spend time doing something that you have not had time to do properly until now.
Catch up	If you catch up with someone, you reach the same standard or level as they are.
	If you catch up with someone who is in front of you, you reach them by walking faster than they are walking.
Cheer up	be happier
Clear sth away	put sth away
Clear up	(of the weather) become bright, sunny. Make tidy
Close down	stop operating
Come across	be understood or communicated. Find sb/sth by chance ----- encontrarse con alguien/algo casualmente

	If you come across someone or something, you find or meet them by chance, without having expected to or without having thought about it.
Come along	arrive, turn up at sb's place ----- llegar // pasarse por un sitio
Come down	If the cost, level or amount of something comes down, it becomes cheaper or less than it was before. (=Decrease, and go up means the opposite). travel from north to south
Come off	be able to be removed. Be successful If an event or action comes off, it is successful or effective.
Come on!	hurry!, try harder!
Come round	visit someone or a place
Come up	If something comes up in a conversation or meeting, it is mentioned or discussed.
Come up with	If you come up with a plan, idea or solution, you think of it and suggest it.
Count on	If you count on or upon someone, you rely on them to support you or help you (=Depend on) If you count on or upon something, you expect it to happen and include it in your plans.(=Rely on)
Crash into	to bump against sth ----- estrellarse
Crash out	fall asleep ----- quedarse dormido
Cut back on	If you cut something down, you reduce it or do it less often.
Cut down on	reduce the amount or quantity of sth. Consume, buy less ----- cortar el gasto
Cut up	If you cut something up, you cut into several pieces.
Deal with sth	handle
Dig up	to excavate ----- excavar/ descubrir algo
Do away with	To do away with something means to get rid of it.(=Eliminate)
Do up	If you do up an old building, you repair and decorate it and put in modern facilities. If you do something up, you fasten it.
Do with	If you say you could do with something, you mean that you need it or would like it
Do without	If you do without something, you manage or survive in spite of not having it.(=Go without)
Doze off	fall asleep ----- quedarse dormido
Draw up	When you draw up a document, list or plan, you prepare it and write it out.(=formulate)
Drop in	If you drop in on someone, you visit them without making any formal arrangement to do so
Drop off	When you are driving, if you drop one of your passengers off, you take them to where they want to go and leave them there.

Drop out	If you drop out of a group, you stop belonging to it.
Ease up	make things more easily or smoothly, and less pressing
End up	reach or come to a certain place or state
Fall behind	If you fall behind when moving with a group of people, you move more slowly than them, so they get ahead of you.
Fall in love	to get in love ----- enamorarse
Fall off	to fall from a place ----- caerse
Fall out	If you fall out with someone, you have an argument and are no longer friendly with them.
Fall out with sb	quarrel with sb ----- dejar de hablar con alguien
Fill in	add what is necessary to complete
Fill sth up	become or make sth completely full ----- llenar
Find out	learn by study, discover ----- encontrar
Fit in	have sufficient space or room for sth in a place
Force sb (to do sth)	to make sb do sth
Get across	If an idea or argument gets across, or if you get it across, you succeed in making other people understand it.
Get ahead	If you get ahead, you are successful in your career (= get on)
Get along	If you get along with someone, you have a friendly relationship with them.(=get on)
Get around	If you get around, you go to a lot of different places part of your way of life.
Get at	If you get at something, you manage to reach or obtain it.
Get at	----- atacar
Get at sb	criticize
Get away	----- marcharse
Get away with	If you get away with something that you should not have done, you are not criticised or punished for doing it.
Get away with	----- hacer impunemente
Get away	1. If you get away from a place or a person's company, you succeed in leaving them.
	2. If you get away, you go away to have a holiday
	3. When someone or something gets away from a place, or when you get them away, they escape.(getaway- they leave place in a great hurry, often after committing a crime).
Get back to sb	return, go back
Get back	If you get back to a place or position, you return there after you have been somewhere else.
	If you get something back after you have lost or lent it, you have it once again.

Get by	If you get by, you just manage to survive and have a fairly satisfactory life.
Get down	to get to a lower position ----- bajar
Get down to	When you get down to something, you start doing it seriously and with a lot of attention.
Get down	If you get down what someone is saying, you write it down.(=Take down)
	If something gets you down, it makes you unhappy (=Depress)
Get held up	be stopped
Get hold of sb	contact
Get into sth	become involved, develop sth, acquire a habit
Get lost	to go away
Get off	If you get off a bus, train or plane, you leave it.
Get off	leave, remove, escape without harm or punishment
Get off sth	leave a place
Get on	If you get on in your career, you are successful (=Get ahead)
	If you say that someone is getting on, you mean that they are old.
	If you get on with someone, you like them and have a friendly relationship with them.(=Get along)
	If you ask how someone is getting on with an activity, you are asking about their progress.(=Get along)
Get on with sb	have a friendly relationship with sb
Get on with sth	to have success
Get out	If you get out of place, you leave it
Get out	----- salir
Get over	If you get over an illness or other unpleasant experience, you recover from it
Get over	recover from ----- recuperarse (de una enfermedad)
Get round	----- engatusar a
	If news gets around, about or round, a lot of people hear about it and it becomes well-known
	If you get around someone, you persuade them to let you do or have something, by flattering them.
Get round/around	If you get round a difficulty or restriction, you find a way of avoiding it or of escaping its effects.(=Bypass)
Get sth back	return, especially after having lost it. Recover ----- recuperar algo perdido
Get sth over	communicate
Get through	pass an exam; =spend
Get through to	communicate, to establish a connection with the other end
Get through	If you get through to someone on the telephone, you succeed in contacting them.

	If you get through a task, you succeed in finishing it
	If you get through an examination, or if someone or something gets you through it, you pass it
Get up	----- levantarse
Get up to	reach; sth naughty
Get worked up	get excited or angry
Give away	give sth free of charge. Distribute or present sth
Give away	If you give something away, you give it to someone without taking money in return.
Give back	If you give something back, you return it to the person who gave it to you or who it belongs to.
Give up	If you give up an activity or belief, you stop doing it or believing in it.
Give up	stop, stop doing sth
Go after	If you go after someone, you follow them or chase them, sometimes in order to attack them
Go ahead	When someone goes ahead with something which they planned, promised or asked permission to do, they begin to do it(=Proceed)
Go away	to leave, usually on a trip ----- salir de viaje
Go back	If you go back, you return to a place where you were before
Go back on	If you go back on a promise, agreement or statement, you do not do what you promised or agreed, or you deny what you said.
Go by	If someone or something goes by, they pass you without stopping.
	If someone goes by a place, they go there for a short time in order to do or get something.(Drop by)
Go down	go from a northern to a southern place
Go down with	If you go down with an illness, you catch it or develop it.(=Contract)
Go down	If the cost, level, standard or amount of something goes down, it becomes cheaper, lower or less than it was before
	When something goes down in a particular way, it gets a particular kind of reaction from a person or group of people.
Go for sth	be attracted by sb
Go off	If a gun goes off, it is fired. If a bomb goes off, it explodes
	If food or drink goes off, it becomes, stale, sour or rotten (Decay)
	If you go off somewhere, you leave the place where you were, usually in order to do something
	If something such as an alarm, bell or flashbulb goes off, it operates, making a sudden loud noise or flash
Go on	continue, happen

Go on strike	----- ir a la huelga
Go on	If you go on doing something or go on with an activity, you continue to do it (=Carry on)
	If you say that something is going on, you mean that it is taking place at the present time. (=Happen)
Go out with sb	to have a closed relation
Go out	If a light goes out, it stops shining(=Come on)
	If you are going out with someone, you spend time with them socially and have a romantic or sexual relationship with them
Go over	If you go over something, you examine, discuss or think about it very carefully and sistematically
Go round	visit sb or a place. Pass from one person to another, spread
Go through	If you go through an event or period of time, especially an unpleasent one, you experience it.
	If you go through a list, story or plan you say, describe or discuss it from the begining to end(Run through)
Go up	go from a smaller or a southern place to a bigger or northern place
Go up	If the cost, level, standard or amount of something goes up, it becomes more expensive higher or greater than it was before(=rise)
	If you go up to a place you visit it or travel there;often used when the place is further north than you or is in a city
	If something goes up, it explodes or suddenly starts to burn.
Go with	be included with sth. Combine well with sth ----- ir bien/conjuntar
Grow into	transform into
Grow out of	become too big to wear. Become too old to do sth and stop doing it
Grow up	become bigger ----- crecer
Hand back	If you hand something back to someone, you return it to them after you have borrowed or taken it from them(give back)
Hand on	If you hand something on to someone, you give it or leave it to them.(=pass on)
Hang around	If you hang around, about or round a place, you spend a lot of time there, often doing very little.
Hang on	wait; grip sth firmly ----- esperar/agarrar fuerte
Have on	If you have on a piece of clothing, you are wearing it
Have out	If you have out a tooth, your appendix and so on, a dentist or doctor removes them from your body.
Hold back	If you hold back information, you do not reveal it.(=Suppress)
	If you hold a person or their career back, you prevent them from making progress.
Hold on	If you ask someone to hold on, you want them to wait for a short time(=hang on)

Hold on	to hang on, to wait
Hold up	rob ----- asaltar
Hold up	If something or someone holds up an activity or arrangement, they delay it or make it late.
	If someone holds you up, they point a weapon at you in order to make you give them money or valuables.
Join in	If you join in an activity with other people such as meeting, you become involved in what they are doing
Join up	If someone joins up, they become a member of the army, the navy or their air force(=Enlist)
Keep at	If you keep at it, or keep someone at it, you continue or make them continue working at a job or a task trying hard, even if it is very difficult or unpleasant(=Persevere, Stick at, Stick to)
Keep away from	not to go near sth
Keep back	If you keep some information back, you do not tell all that you know about something (=Withhold)
Keep in	If a parent or a teacher keeps children in, they make them stay indoors or they make them stay late at school.
Keep off	If you keep someone or something off a particular area, you prevent them from going onto it. If you keep off an area, you do not go there yourself.
Keep on	1. continue
	2. If you keep on doing something, you continue to do it and do not stop. (=Carry on)
Keep out	If a sign says this, it is warning you not go onto that piece of land
Keep up	If you keep it up, you continue working hard, trying hard or achieving the standar that you have in the past
	If you keep someone up, you delay them going to bed.
	If you keep up with someone else, you move at the same speed as them.
Kick off	When football players kick off, they start the game by kicking the ball from the centre of the pitch.
Kick out	If you kick come one out of place or an organisation, you force them to leave it(=throw out)
Knock down	If a car or other vehicle knocks someone down, it hits them so that they fall to the ground and may be injured or killed(=knock over)
Knock out	If a person or tem is knocked out of a competition, they are defeated, so that they take no more part in the competition(=Eliminate).
Knock sb over	to run over ----- atopellar
Knock sth down	cause to fall ----- hacer que algo caiga
Let down	If someone or something lets you down, they fail to do something that you have been relying on them to do .
Let out	If you let something out, you say something out, you say something that you should have kept secret.
Let sb down	fail to help sb, disappoint sb

Lock oneself out	prevent oneself from entering by locking a door
Long for sb	miss sb or sth you can't have ----- añorar/hechar de menos
Look after	If you look after someone or something, you take care of them and do what is necessary for them to stay in good condition
Look after sb/sth	take care of
Look at sth	to gaze
Look back	You think about something that happened in the past
Look back on	think about one's past ----- recordar
Look down on	consider sb inferior to oneself ----- mirar por encima del hombro
Look down on	If you look down on someone or something, you think they are inferior or unimportant(=Despise)
Look for	If you're looking for something, you are trying to find it.
Look for sth	to try to find
Look forward to	If you look forward to something that is going to happen, you want it to happen because you expect to enjoy it.
Look forward to	to expect eagerly for sth to happen
Look into	If you look into a particular problem, subject or situation, you find out and examine the facts relating to it.(=investigate)
Look like sb	be similar
Look on	If you look on while something happens, you watch without taking part yourself. If you look on or upon something in a particular way, you think of it in that way.
Look out	You say or shout "look out" to warn someone that they are in danger(=Watch out)
Look out (for)	to be careful for possible dangers
Look out for	If you look out for something that you want or expect, you pay attention to things around you so that you notice it and can take action when it occurs or is there.
Look over	If you look something or someone over, you examine or inspect them in order to get a general idea of what they are like.
Look sth up	to look for some information ----- buscar (en el diccionario)
Look through	If you look through a group of things or a place, such as a cupboard, box or room, you examine all the things there, usually because you are trying to find something.(=go through)
Look up	If you look up a piece of information in a book, or on a timetable or map, you look there to find the information.
Look up to	If you look up to someone, you respect and admire them.
Make for	If you make for a place, you move towards it, usually rather hurriedly. (=head for)

Make of	If you ask a person that they make off someone or something you want to know what their impression, understanding or opinion of them is.
Make off	If you make off, you leave somewhere as quickly as possible, often in order to escape.
Make out	If you make out that something is the case, you try to cause people to believe it.
	If you can make something out you manage to see or hear it.
	When you make out a form or cheque, you write on it all the necessary information.(=write out)
	If you make out something that is difficult to understand, you manage to understand it.
Make sb redundant	no longer needed
Make sth up	invent. Improve the aspect of sth
Make up	prepare by mixing different ingredients together. Make oneself more attractive
Make up	If you make up something such as a story, you invent it, sometimes in order to deceive people.
	The people or things that make up something form that thing(= composed something)
	If you make up or if you make yourself up, you put substances such as lipstick, powder and eye-shadow on your face.
	If two people make up with each other or make it up, they become friends again after they have had a quarrel.
Open up	to open widely ----- abrir de par en par
Own up	----- admitir responsabilidad
Pay sb back	return some money
Pick sb up	collect ----- recoger
Pick sth up	grab, get, get hold of ----- coger, agarrar
Pick up	get better
Pick up	If you are driving a vehicle and you pick someone or something up, you stop the vehicle so that you can take them somewhere.
	If you pick up a skin, habit or attitude, you learn it or start having it without making any effort.
Play back	Rebobinar.
Play up	If a group of children are playing up or are playing you up, they are being naughty and are difficult to control.
Pour down	flowing in great quantities downwards, raining a lot
Pull down	Destroy a building or structure deliberately.
Pull sb out	to take sb out of a place by making an effort into one's direction
Pull sth up	to carry upwards
Put away	1. confine, put sth in a box after use. Save money to use later ----- guardar

	2. If you put something away, you plays it tidily somewhere.
Put back	To put back an event , appointment or task means to postpone it happening or being done until a later time.(=Defer) If you put something back somewhere, you plays it in the position it was in before it was moved.
Put down	When you put down words or numbers, you write or type them somewhere.
Put forward	If you put forward an idea or proposal, you stay it or publish it so that people can consider it and discuss it.(=set out)
Put off	postpone. Make sb feel dislike. Disturb, distract If you put off an event or appointment , you delay or postpone it. If you put a person off, you delay saying them or doing what they want you to do by telling them that you are too busy. If something or someone puts you off what you are doing, they cause you to stop to concentrating by making a sudden noise o distracting you in some other way. To put someone off doing something or having something means to cause them to change their mind so that they no longer want to do it or have it.
Put on	1. When a person or group puts on a play, concert or other entertainment, they organise it or perform it 2. If someone puts on weight, they become heavier(=gain) 3. When you put on a piece of clothing, you place it over a part of your body and wear it 4. If someone is putting you on, they are teasing you by trying to make you believe something that is not true.
Put out	cause inconvenience to sb If you put out a light, you cause it to stop shining by pressing or turning a switch(=switch off, turn off) If you put out something that is burning you cause it to stop burning(=extinguish).
Put pressure on sb	press
Put sb up	to give accommodation for a brief period of time ----- dar alojamiento
Put sth down	to place on a table, shelf, etc... ----- bajar//almacenar
Put sth on	to wear, to get
Put sth out	take sth out of one's house and leave it there for collectin. Cause to stop burning ----- sacar algo fuera /apagar el fuego
Put sth up	to put into a higher position, to pitch ----- subir
Put through	If you put through a phone call or the person making the call, you connect them with the person they want to speak to.

Put up	If someone puts you up or if you put up somewhere, you stay with them or stay there for one or more nights. tolerate
Put up with	If you put up with something or someone, you tolerate or accept them even though you find it difficult or unpleasant.(=endure)
Run away with	escape with sth, or without punishment
Run into	If you run into someone, you meet them unexpectedly.(=run across, come across)
Run out	If you run out of something, you have no more of it left.
Run out of	come to an end with one's supplies of sth ----- quedarse sin
Run sb over	to kill by knocking with a car ----- atropellar
Run up	to run into a higher position
See off	When you see someone off, you go with them to the station, airport or port that they are leaving from, and say goodbye to them there.
See through	If you see through a person or see through what they are doing, you realise what their intention is, even though they are trying to hide it.
Send off	If a football player is sent off, the player is made to leave the field during a game as a punishment for seriously breaking the rules.
Send sb off	dispatch, send usually on a mission or by post, a player out of the field ----- enviar
Send up	If you send someone up, you imitate them in a way that makes them appear foolish. (=Take off)
Set off	When you set off, you start a journey (=set out)
Set up	If you set something up, you make the arrangements and preparations that are necessary for it to start.
Settle down	have a calmer, more stable life -----
Show off	boast, try to impress others with one's abilities ----- alardear
Shut down	close down due to lack of business ----- cerrar el negocio
Shut up	(rude) stop talking ----- callarse be quiet
Sort out	arrange things in groups, separate by classes ----- ordenar solve ----- resolver
Speak up	talk louder ----- hablar alto
Split up	separate, usually a relationship ----- romper una relación
Spring up	appear suddenly ----- aparecer de repente
Stand for	mean

Stay in	not go out, stay at home ----- quedarse en casa
Step down	walk down ----- bajar paso a paso// dimitir
Sum up	summarize ----- resumir
Switch sth off	to extinguish, to turn off ----- apagar
Take after	If you take after a member of your family, you resemble them in your appearance, behaviour or character
Take after sb	look like sb (appearance, character)
Take away	If you take one number or amount away from another, you subtract the first from the second
Take back	(in a shop) accepting goods previously sold. Admit that what one said was wrong ----- aceptar devoluciones
	If you take back something which you borrowed or bought, you return it to the place or person that you got it from, for example because you have finished using it or because it is damaged
	If you take someone back after a quarrel or separation, you agree to let them live with you or work with you again
	If you say something takes your back, you mean that it reminds you of a period in your past, and makes you think about it again.
Take down	If you take down something that is attached to a wall, post or other object, you unfasten or disconnect it, and remove it (=put)
	If you take down what someone is saying, you listen to them and write it down to record it.(=Get down)
Take in	If you take in something that you see, hear or read, you pay attention to it and are able to understand it, remember it or evaluate it.
	If you take in something such as a film, a museum or a place while you are on holiday or travelling somewhere, you go to see it or visit it.
Take off	become successful
	lose the contact with a surface. For a place ----- despegar
Take off (of a plane)	leave the ground ----- levantar vuelo
Take off	When an aeroplane or bird takes off, it leaves the ground and starts flying
	If you take off your clothes or something that you are wearing, you undress or remove it.
	If you take off something such as an amount of money or a mark, you subtract it from a total
	If you take someone off, you imitate their appearance or behaviour, usually in order to make other people laugh (=Mimic)
	If something such as a product or activity takes off, it suddenly becomes very successful and popular.
Take on	If you take on a job, task or responsibility, you accept it and try to do what is required.

	If someone takes you on at a place of work, they employ you.
	If you take on a rival or opponent, especially one who is bigger or more powerful than you, you fight or compete against them.
Take out	If you take someone out, for example to a restaurant or film, they go there with you, and you pay for everything. To take something out means to remove it from the place where it was, often because it is unwanted or damaged
Take over	If you take over a job or responsibility, you start doing it or being responsible for it after someone else has finished.
Take sb out	to invite to go to a public place
Take sth away	buy a dish at a restaurant and take it home. Cause a feeling to disappear ----- servicio a domicilio
Take sth up	become interested
Take to	If you take to someone or something you begin to like them
Take up	(time) consume ----- consumir el tiempo
	start doing an activity, usually as a hobby
	If you take up an activity or job, you start doing it (=Go in for)
	If you take up an activity that was interrupted, you continue doing it from the point where it had stopped (=Pick up)
	If something takes up a particular amount of time, space or effort, it uses that amount (=Occupy)
	If you take up an offer, challenge or opportunity, you accept it
Tear sth out	remove, separate by pulling sharply ----- arrancar
Tell sb off	criticize ----- criticar
Tell sb out	----- arrancar
Throw (sth) away	discard sth as useless or unwanted ----- lanzar, tirar
Throw off	produce sth without effort. Manage to get rid of sth or sb
Try on	If you try on a piece of clothing, you put it on to see it fits you or if it looks nice.
Try sth on	put on clothes etc. to see if it fits and how it looks ----- probarse
Try sth out	test sth or sb by using it ----- probar o comprobar
Turn back	If you turn back or are turned back when you are travelling somewhere, you stop and return to the place you started from.
Turn down	If you turn down a person, their request or their offer, you refuse their request or offer. (=Reject)
	When you turn down something, such as a radio or a heater, you adjust the controls and reduce the amount of sound or heat being produced.

Turn off	When you turn off a device, machine or appliance, you adjust the controls in order to stop it working (=Switch off)
Turn on	When you turn on a device, machine or appliance, you adjust the controls so that it starts working(=Swicth on)
Turn out	If something turns out a particular way, it happens in that way (=Work out)
Turn sth down	reject or refuse to consider, adjust in order to reduce the heat, noise
Turn sth on	cause to start functioning
Turn up	If someone turns up, they arrive somewhere (=Show up).
Turn up	make one's appearance, arrive. Cause sth to face or point upwards
Twist off	cause sth to come or break off easily with a twisting movement ---- girar y abrir
Walk up	take steps into an upward direction
Wind up	tighten the spring of a watch, etc. to make it work. Raise sb to a pitch of excitement ----- dar cuerda/acelerarse
Wipe up	remove, pick sth up with a cloth ----- limpiar con un trapo
Work sth out	calculate, find the answer to sth
Wrap up	cover or enclose (in soft or flexible material) ----- envolver
Zoom up	go up at a very high speed