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Phrasal Verbs

The Things We Do



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Phrasal Verbs



Phrasal verbs = verb + particle

The particle looks like a Preposition, but it doesn't function as a preposition.



He **woke up** at 6:30 a.m.

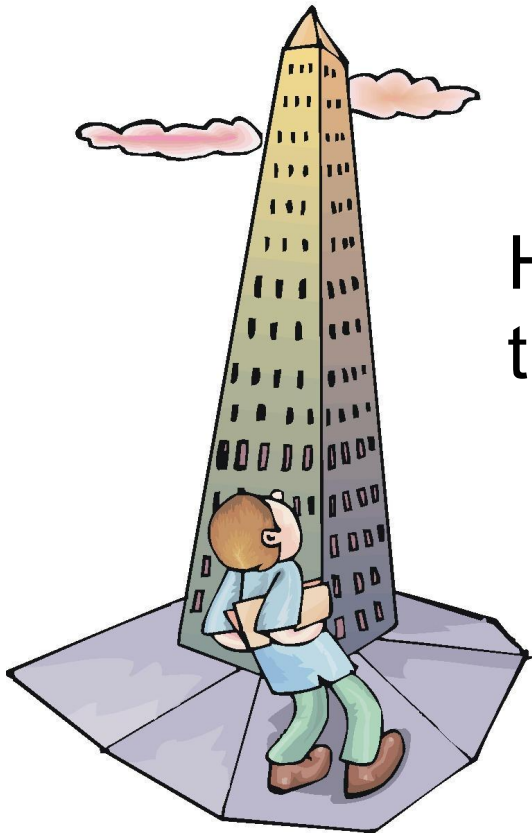
Strangers **woke** him **up**.



Particles



Particles are part of the verb phrase, and they often change the meaning of the verb.

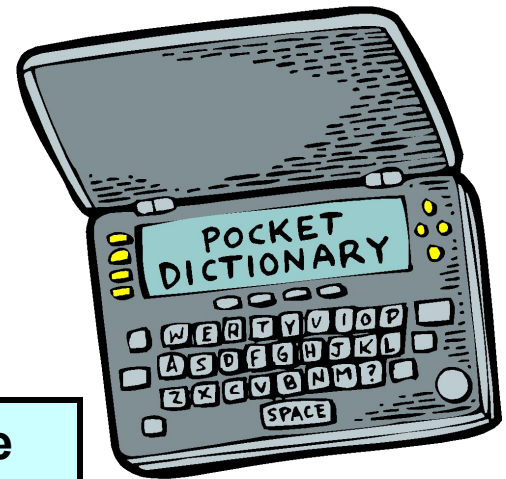


~~preposition~~

He looked **up** at
the skyscraper.

particle

She looked **up** a
word in her dictionary.



Using Phrasal Verbs



Many **phrasal verbs** and one-word verbs have similar meanings.



wake up = awaken

go on = continue

take off = remove

Phrasal verbs are less
formal and more common
in everyday speech.

Transitive Phrasal Verbs

1



Transitive phrasal verbs have **objects**.
Most transitive phrasal verbs are **separable**.



object

He **called up** his boss to
tell him he had overslept.

object

He **called** his boss **up** to
tell him he had overslept.

Transitive Phrasal Verbs

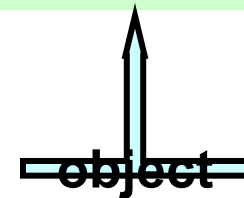
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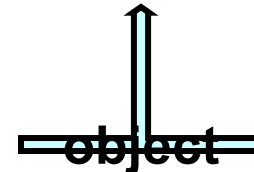
The object can come **after** the phrasal verb or **between** the verb and the particle.



At the last minute, the bride **called off** the wedding.



At the last minute, the bride **called** the wedding **off**.

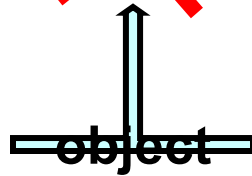


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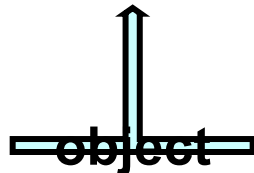


When the object is a **pronoun**, it must come between the verb and the particle.

A friend **called up** ~~her~~ at work.



A friend **called her up** at work.



Practice 1

Use each of the phrasal verbs to form three sentences about things that sometimes happen.

Example: wake up = awaken

The baby often **wakes up the parents**.

The baby often **wakes the parents up**.

The baby often **wakes them up**.



1. pick out = select

2. figure out = solve

3. hand in = submit, give

4. take off = remove

5. make up = create

6. let down = disappoint

Intransitive Phrasal Verbs 1



Intransitive phrasal verbs do not have objects.



~~no object~~



He **grew up** in Egypt.

~~no object~~



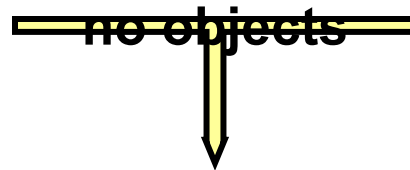
She will **hang up** before she gets into her car.



Intransitive Phrasal Verbs 2



Intransitive phrasal verbs do not have objects.



First I **worked out** for an hour.



Then I **dressed up** and **dropped in** at the party.

No one **found out** that I didn't have an invitation!



Be Careful!



Note the difference in meaning between *make*, *make up* (transitive), and *make up* (intransitive).



I ~~make up~~ dinner every night.

He **made up** a story about Jill and Joe.



make up
= invent
(transitive)

make up
= reconcile
(intransitive)



They **made up**. They were friends again.

Practice 2

What happens before and during a party? Make sentences using the transitive and intransitive phrasal verbs.

intransitive

Example: dress up

I **dress up** nicely.

1. ask over = invite

2. put on = use clothes

3. set up = prepare

4. straighten up = make neat

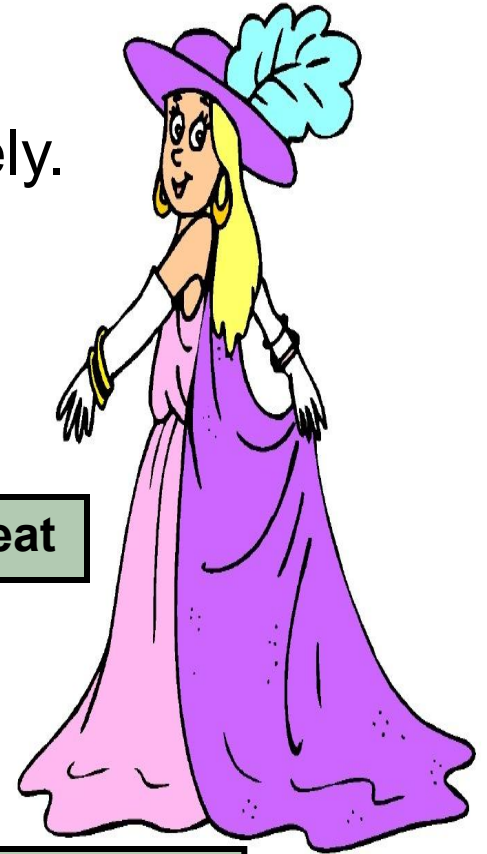
5. show up = appear

6. let in = allow to enter

7. run out = not have enough

intransitive

intransitive



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