

C2 Proficiency Use of English Part Two phrasal verbs pairwork

Student A

Optional brainstorming stage

Work with someone who has the same worksheet to try to guess how the half sentences below might finish.

Matching stage

Work with someone who has the Student B worksheet. Without showing your worksheets to each other, work out which halves go together and write the missing part in the space given. Each time, try to match just from the phrasal verbs in **bold**, then check by reading out the whole sentence to show the context. You can also tell your partner what you imagine is missing if that will help.

- An emphasis on work-life balance may **bring** _____
- The new generation of robot will be able to **carry** _____
- A brainstorming session it a good way to **come** _____
- Our camping holiday taught us to **do** _____
- We have no choice but to **face** _____
- It took a lot of thought to **figure** _____
- We're not wealthy but we **get** _____
- We were shy about dancing at first but **gave** _____
- His career started badly but he was to **go** _____
- This antique watch has been **handed** _____
- The first three attempts failed by we **kept** _____
- In retirement, **looking** _____
- The carjackers **made** _____
- After days of fruitless work, the idea just **popped** _____
- His new film was **put forward** _____
- When I first saw it, I was **put** _____
- It is our attention to detail that **sets** _____
- I look like my dad but more **take** _____
- He's taking a break while he waits to **take** _____

Check as a class or with the suggested answers. Other matches may be possible, but there is only one way of matching them all, so please check if you matched them in different ways.

Test each other on the phrasal verbs:

- say the sentence with a word missing for your partner to complete
- say one of the phrasal verbs and see if your partner can make a suitable example sentence
- say the first half of an example sentence and see if your partner can complete it in a suitable way (with different correct sentences also okay, including different correct phrasal verbs with the same root verb)

Student B

Optional brainstorming stage

Work with someone who has the same worksheet to try to guess how the half sentences below might start.

Matching stage

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_____	about a change in how staff....
_____	after my maternal grandmother.
_____	at it until the breakthrough came.
_____	back at his life, he realised...
_____	by with a little help from our friends.
_____	down from father to son.
_____	for the best foreign language Oscar.
_____	for the border but were stopped...
_____	into the beat and joined in.
_____	into her head while showering.
_____	off by how it looked, but its taste...
_____	on to star in one of the biggest...
_____	out more complex tasks.
_____	out the best solution.
_____	up his new position as chair of...
_____	up to the issues and start looking...
_____	up with new ideas.
_____	us apart from the competition.
_____	without modern electronics.

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Suggested answers

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-----fold, cover or cut-----

Gapfill stage

Without looking above, put one word into each gap below.

- An emphasis on work-life balance may _____ **about** a change in how staff....
- The new generation of robot will be able to **carry** _____ more complex tasks.
- A brainstorming session it a good way to **come** _____ **with** new ideas.
- Our camping holiday taught us to **do** _____ modern electronics.
- We have no choice but to _____ **up to** the issues and start looking...
- It took a lot of thought to **figure** _____ the best solution.
- We're not wealthy but we _____ **by** with a little help from our friends.
- We were shy about dancing at first but _____ **into** the beat and joined in.
- His career started badly but he was to _____ **on to** star in one of the biggest...
- This antique watch has been **handed** _____ from father to son.
- The first three attempts failed by we **kept** _____ it until the breakthrough came.
- In retirement, **looking** _____ at his life, he realised...
- The carjackers **made** _____ the border but were stopped...
- After days of fruitless work, the idea just **popped** _____ her head while showering.
- His new film was _____ **forward for** the best foreign language Oscar.
- When I first saw it, I was **put** _____ by how it looked, but its taste...
- It is our attention to detail that **sets us** _____ from the competition.
- I look like my dad but more **take** _____ my maternal grandmother.
- He's taking a break while he waits to **take** _____ his new position as chair of...

Check above. Other words are possible, so please check if you wrote something different.