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Phrasal verbs – phrasal verbs with two particles

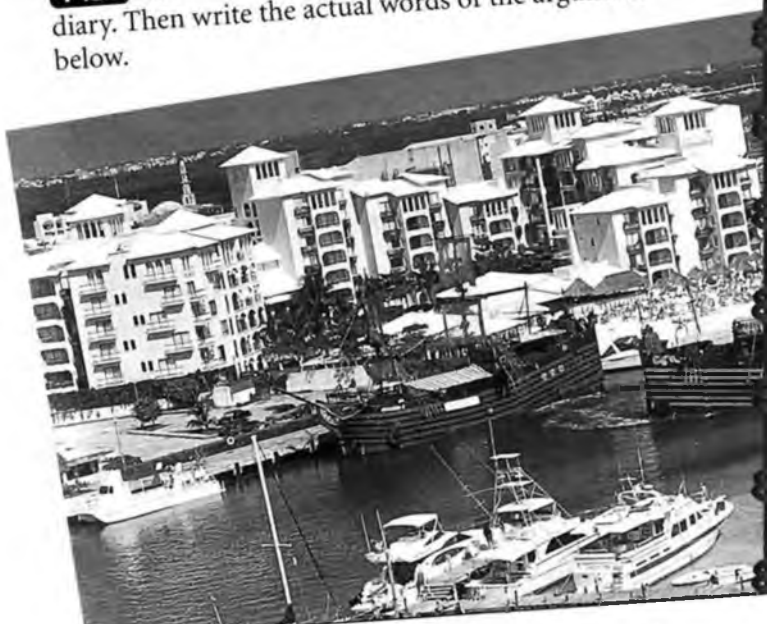
Life's great events

Reported statements and questions

1 An argument

Karen and Tom have just returned from their honeymoon in Mexico. They had a terrible time and they have just had their first big argument.

T 12.1 Read the report of the argument in Karen's diary. Then write the actual words of the argument below.



Tom It's your fault that we went to Mexico.
The holiday _____
and it _____

Karen There's _____
The travel agency _____

Tom You _____
I'm _____
I know _____ and
I'll _____

Karen I'll _____ because _____

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Tom and I had our first big row last night – all about our honeymoon, of course. It was horrible! We shouted at each other!

He told me that it was my fault that we'd gone to Mexico and that the holiday had cost a fortune and had been the worst holiday he had ever had.

I said that there was nothing wrong with Mexico, it was very beautiful, but the travel agency were to blame. Their brochure had promised all kinds of things about the hotel and it had all been lies. I told him that he had no right to blame me and I started crying.

Tom said he was sorry and that he knew that it wasn't my fault really. He said that he would go to the travel agent first thing in the morning and that he would tell them about everything that had gone wrong. I said that I would go, too, because I was going to ask for our money back or another holiday.

Let's see what happens tomorrow!!



2 But you said ...

T 12.2 Read the holiday brochure and complete the conversation between Tom, Karen, and the travel agent.

THE HOLIDAY OF YOUR DREAMS



honeymoons are our speciality

Location

- The hotel is twenty minutes from the airport.
- It has four acres of tropical gardens.

Facilities

- Your room will have wonderful views over the sea.
- The beautiful gardens lead directly onto the beach.
- There are two swimming pools and three tennis courts.

THE COPA DE ORO HOTEL
CANCUN, MEXICO

TA Good morning. It's Mr and Mrs Sandford, isn't it? Did you have a good time in Cancun?

T No, we did not! Where shall we begin? The transfer from the airport. Why did your brochure say that the hotel (1) **was** only twenty minutes from the airport and that it (2) _____ large tropical gardens? Not true! The drive from the airport took an hour, and where are the gardens? Your brochure said that these gardens (3) _____ directly onto the beach, but we couldn't see any tropical gardens, not even one palm tree! The next hotel had them but not ours! And you said there (4) _____ swimming pools and tennis courts – not in our hotel!

K And the rooms! You said that we (5) _____ wonderful views over the sea, but we couldn't see the sea. Only the weather was good! It was a miserable honeymoon!

3 Reporting words and thoughts

1 Report the statements.

1 'I'll miss you very much,' he said to her.

He told her **that he'd miss her very much.**

2 'I'm going to Berlin soon.'

She said _____.

3 'The film will be interesting.'

I thought _____.

4 'I can't help you because I have too much to do.'

She said _____.

5 'Daniel has bought the tickets.'

I was told _____.

6 'I think it's a stupid idea, and it won't work.'

She said _____.

7 'The banks are closed on Saturdays.'

The tour guide explained _____.

8 'We had terrible weather on holiday.'

He complained _____.

9 'We've never been to Brazil,' they said to me.

They told _____.

2 **T 12.4** Report the questions.

- 1 'What are you doing?'
She asked me **what I was doing.**
- 2 'Do you want to go out for a walk?'
She asked me _____
- 3 'Why are you crying?' he asked her.
He wondered _____
- 4 'Can I borrow your car?'
He asked me _____
- 5 'Where have you come from?'
The customs officer asked me _____
- 6 'How long are you going to be at the gym?'
She wanted to know _____
- 7 'Did you buy any milk?'
Trudi wondered _____
- 8 'Will you be back early?'
She asked us _____
- 9 'When do you have to go to work?'
She asked me _____

3 **T 12.5** Write the bank manager's direct questions.

- A Come and sit down, Mr Smith. Now, you want to borrow some money.
(1) **How much money do you want to borrow?**
- B Five thousand pounds.
A (2) _____?
- B Because I want to buy a car.
A I see. Could you give me some personal details?
(3) _____?
- B I'm a graphic designer.
A And (4) _____?
- B Thirty thousand pounds a year.
A (5) _____?
- B Yes, I am. I've been married for six years.
A (6) _____?
- B Yes, we've got two children.
A I see you live in a flat.
(7) _____?
- B We've lived there for three years.
A Well, that seems fine. I don't think there'll be any problems.
(8) _____?
- B I'd like it as soon as possible, actually.
A All right. Let's see what we can do.

4 Report the bank manager's questions.

- 1 First she asked Mr Smith **how much money he wanted to borrow.**
- 2 Then she wanted to know _____
- 3 She needed to know _____
- 4 He had to tell her _____
- 5 Then she asked _____
- 6 For some reason, she wanted to know _____
- 7 She asked him _____
- 8 Finally, she wondered _____



Reported commands

4 She advised me to ...

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech using the verbs in the box.

persuade	order	ask	advise	tell
encourage	invite	beg	remind	



- 1 'If I were you, I'd go to Casualty,' he said to me.
He advised me to go to Casualty.
- 2 'Could you cook dinner?' he asked Sue.

- 3 'Hand in your homework on Monday,' the teacher told the class.

- 4 'Don't forget to post the letter,' my wife said to me.

- 5 'Come and have dinner with us,' Marta said to Paul.

- 6 'You must pay a fine of two hundred pounds,' the judge said to Edward Fox.

- 7 'Buy the black shoes, not the brown ones,' Flora said to Emily. 'They're much, much nicer.'
'Mmm ... I'm not sure. OK, I'll buy the black ones. You're right!' said Emily.

- 8 'You should sing professionally,' Marco said to Anthony. 'You're really good at it.'

- 9 'Please, please don't tell my father,' she said to me.

5 ask and tell



1 Remember that *ask* can be used to report questions and commands, and *tell* can be used to report statements and commands, but the form is different.

Questions

She **asked** me where I lived.
She **asked** me if I wanted a lift.

Statements

He **told** me he was very unhappy.
He **told** his wife that he loved her.

Commands

He **asked** me to turn the music down.
She **told** him to go away.

- 2 Notice the negative command.
They **asked** me not to tell anyone.
She **told** her son not to worry.

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech using *ask* or *tell*.

- 1 'Leave me alone!' she said to him.
She told him to leave her alone.
- 2 'Please don't go,' he asked her.

- 3 'I'm going to bed now,' he said to Debra.

- 4 'How much do you earn, Dad?' asked Jeremy.

- 5 'Turn to page 34,' the teacher said to the class.

- 6 'Can you call back later, Miss Fulton?' asked the secretary.

- 7 'You did very well in the test,' said the teacher to the class.

- 8 'Don't run across the road!' the police officer told the children.

- 9 'Are you going to the concert?' Pam asked Roy.

- 10 'It's time to get up!' Harry said to his daughters.

6 Other reporting verbs

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech using the verbs in the boxes.

complain	that ...	refuse	to do ...
admit		offer	
deny		agree	
suggest		promise	
boast			

1 'I think it would be a very good idea for you to go to bed,' the doctor said to Paul.

The doctor suggested that Paul went to bed.

2 'Yes, okay. I'll lend you ten euros but I'll need it back on Saturday,' Jo said to Matt.

3 'Yes, it was me. I broke your camera,' said Harry.

4 'I didn't pull her hair,' said Timmy.

5 'I can speak eleven languages, all perfectly,' said the professor.

6 'If you finish all your homework, I'll buy you a pizza!' said Jessica's dad.

7 'Excuse me! There's a fly in my salad,' said Patrick.

8 'I'm sorry. I can't marry you because I don't love you,' Sarah said to Adrian.

9 'I'll cook supper if you like,' Amanda said to Duncan.

7 speak and talk



1 In British English, we usually use the preposition *to* with the verbs *speak* and *talk*. American English prefers *with*.

Can I speak **to** you for a minute?

Come and talk **to** me when you're free.

2 *Talk* suggests that two or more people are having a conversation. It is more common than *speak*.

We stayed up all night **talking**.

3 *Speak* suggests something serious or more formal.

I have a complaint. I'd like to **speak** to the manager.

The doctor **spoke** to them about the dangers of smoking.

Professor Smith is going to **speak** at the conference.

4 *Talk* usually suggests the idea of a conversation. *Speak* can refer just to the use of words.

I've lost my voice. I can't **speak**.

Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Careful! Some verbs are used more than once.

say tell explain speak talk reply ask

I WAS WALKING in town the other day when I met old Mr Brown, so we stopped and (1) **talked** for a while. He (2) _____ me that his wife, Jenny, had been taken into hospital. I (3) _____ him how Jenny was, and he (4) _____ that she was getting better. I (5) _____ Mr Brown to give Jenny my regards. He wondered why I hadn't been to the tennis club recently, so I (6) _____ that I'd been very busy and just hadn't had time.

'There's something you must (7) _____ me,' Mr Brown suddenly said. 'How many languages does your son (8) _____?'

'Four,' I (9) _____. 'Why (10) _____ you _____?'

'Well, I know your son has some very funny stories to (11) _____ about his trips abroad and his language learning. We're having a meeting of the Travellers' Club next week, and I'd like him to come along and (12) _____ to us.'

I (13) _____ that I would (14) _____ to my son about it, and I promised to get back in touch with him.

Then we (15) _____ goodbye and went our separate ways.



Vocabulary

8 Birth, death, and marriage

1 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

birth birthday born

- 1 Where were you **born**?
- 2 When is your _____?
- 3 I was _____ in Africa.
- 4 She gave _____ to a beautiful healthy boy.
- 5 (On an official form)
PLACE OF _____
- 6 Congratulations on the _____ of little Albert.
- 7 What are you doing for your _____ this year?



2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

dying dead died death die

- 1 Shakespeare **died** in 1616.
- 2 Her father's _____ came as a great shock. He was only 45.
- 3 Those flowers have _____. Throw them away.
- 4 Every winter thousands of birds _____ in the cold weather.
- 5 A Is old Bertie Harrison still alive?
B I'm sure he's _____. Didn't he _____ a few years ago?
- 6 Our poor old cat is _____. We've had her for fifteen years. She just sleeps all day long.
- 7 He was stabbed to _____ by a maniac in a dark alley.
- 8 She screamed when she saw the _____ body lying across the carpet.
- 9 I'm sorry to hear about your dog. When did it _____? What did it _____ of?



- 1 The verb *marry* is used without a preposition.
My sister **married** a plumber.
- 2 *Get married* refers to the change of state between being single and being married.
We **got married** in 1980.
- 3 *Married* refers to the state.
Is your brother **married**?
- 4 *Get married* and *be married* can both be used with the preposition *to*.
She **got married** to Gary last weekend.
My sister is **married** to a really nice guy.
- 5 *Divorce* is used in a similar way to *marry*.
Helen wants to **divorce** Keith.
Jane and Harry **got divorced** last year.
My brother is **divorced**.

3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

get married marry got married
married been married wedding

- 1 A Are you **married**?
B No, I'm single. But I'd like to some day.
- 2 A Whatever happened to Ann?
B She met a German boy one week and _____ him the next.
- 4 How many times has she _____?
- 5 Darling, I love you. Will you _____ me?
- 6 We had a lovely _____ in a small country church.
- 7 Did you hear? James and Henrietta _____ last week.
- 9 We're engaged, and we're going to _____ next autumn.



Pronunciation

9 Word stress

T 12.6 All these words appear in Unit 12 of the Student's Book. Put them in the correct columns.

honeymoon	forever	actually
cancelled	announcement	terrible
marriage	complained	opposite
counsellor	colleague	reception
invite	engaged	bouquet
reminded	accused	funeral

A	B	C	D
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_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

10 had or would?

1 **T 12.7** Read the sentences. Does 'd mean *had* or *would*?

- 1 We'd love to meet your mother. **would**
- 2 They asked if we'd give them a lift. _____
- 3 They asked if we'd given her the present yet. _____
- 4 We asked when they'd met each other. _____
- 5 We asked when they'd see each other again. _____
- 6 After my accident, the doctor said I'd never ski again. _____

2 **T 12.8** Transcribe these sentences. Does 'd mean *had* or *would*?

- 1 /ʃi: sed ðæt ʃi:d si:n hɪm/ _____
- 2 /ʃi: sed ðæt ʃi:d si: hɪm su:n/ _____
- 3 /hi təʊld hə hi:d lʌvd hə fər ə lɒŋ taɪm/ _____
- 4 /hi təʊld hə hi:d lʌv hə fərevə/ _____

Phrasal verbs

11 Phrasal verbs with two particles

Complete the sentences with a phrasal verb from the box. Careful! Some are used more than once.

back on	away from	out of
forward to	on with	down on
up with		

- 1 We've run **out of** sugar. Could you buy some more?
- 2 We must try to cut _____ the amount of money we spend. We're always broke.
- 3 Please don't let me disturb you. Carry _____ your work.
- 4 Keep _____ me! I've got a terrible cold, and I don't want you to catch it.
- 5 How do you get _____ your parents? OK?
- 6 I don't know how you put _____ such noisy brothers. It would drive me crazy.
- 7 When I look _____ my childhood, I realize how unhappy I was.
- 8 I'm really looking _____ our holidays next week. I'm so excited!
- 9 Children grow _____ their clothes so quickly. It costs a fortune!

