

Phrasal verbs A

1 Study the sentences and choose the correct alternative.

1. Before moving abroad, Laura wanted to pick up on / brush up on her Italian.
2. Almost everyone in the group has gone off with / gone down with a nasty cold this winter.
3. The guests quickly polished off / polished up all the snacks at the reception.
4. I would never pass up / pass through the chance to study abroad.
5. He managed to pass himself on / pass himself off as a famous journalist.
6. I'd be happy to take you out on / take you up on your offer to help.
7. Whenever Mark deals with officials, he feels like he's coming into / coming up against a brick wall.
8. She's too unreliable to hold up / hold down a full-time job.
9. As you can see, the final result has been carried forward / carried out to the next page.
10. She never backs away / backs down, even when she's clearly wrong.

B

11. I can't believe that while the graffiti was being painted, people just looked up / looked on without reacting.
12. After years of use, the battery has completely worn off / worn out.
13. The solicitor drew up / drew off the contract for them.
14. Could you run by / run through the instructions once more?
15. No one expected him to walk in on / walk out on his family like that.
16. A few students were allowed to look in on / sit in on the lecture.
17. The kids have been acting out / acting up all day because they're overtired.
18. Everyone was shocked when Emma pulled off / pulled on the deal of her career.
19. I put his silence down / along to nervousness.
20. After decades of hard work, he just wants to sit up / sit back and relax.

Further practice

TASK 1 – Key Word Transformations

Uzupełnij drugie zdanie tak, aby zachować znaczenie pierwszego. Użyj słowa klucza – nie zmieniaj jego formy. Użyj 3–6 słów.

1. I noticed something strange about his behaviour.
I _____ something strange about his behaviour.
KEY WORD: up
2. She decided not to accept the job offer.
She _____ the job offer.
KEY WORD: up
3. He pretended to be a doctor to gain their trust.
He _____ a doctor to gain their trust.
KEY WORD: off
4. The effect of the medicine slowly disappeared.
The effect of the medicine _____.
KEY WORD: off
5. They finally succeeded in organising the event.
They _____ organising the event.
KEY WORD: off
6. She refused to admit she was wrong and then finally stopped arguing.
She finally _____.
KEY WORD: down
7. He inherited a large amount of money.
He _____ a large amount of money.
KEY WORD: into

8. The teacher briefly explained the plan.
The teacher _____ the plan quickly.
KEY WORD: through

9. She manages to keep two jobs at the same time.
She _____ two jobs at the same time.
KEY WORD: down

10. He attributed his success to hard work.
He _____ his success _____ hard work.
KEY WORD: down

TASK 2 – Multiple Choice

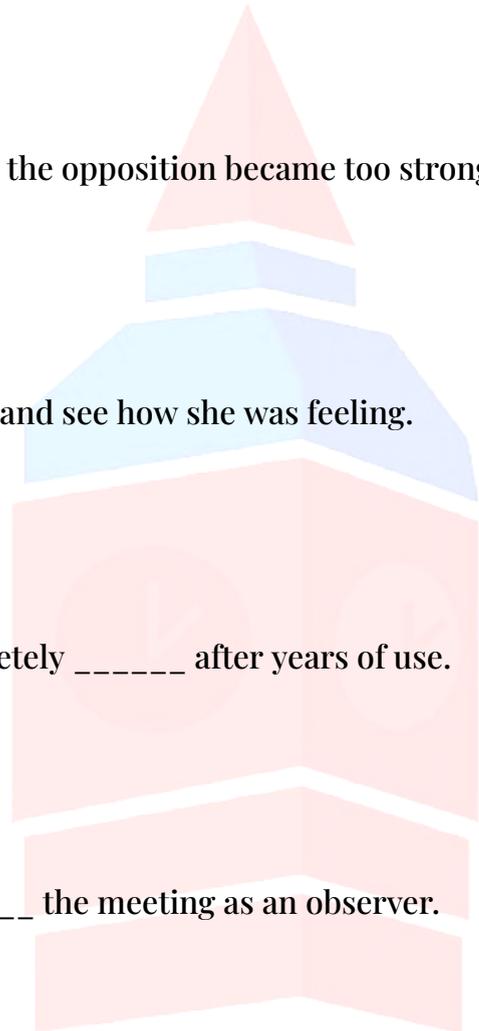
Wybierz poprawną odpowiedź A, B lub C.

11. I really respect my older sister – I've always _____ her.
A) looked on
B) looked up to
C) looked in on

12. We'll need to _____ a contract before starting the project.
A) draw up
B) draw off
C) draw through

13. He was ill last week – he _____ the flu.
A) went off with
B) went down with
C) went through

14. She promised to _____ my proposal with the manager.
A) run through
B) run by
C) run out

15. Don't worry, just _____ and enjoy the holiday.
A) sit in
B) sit up
C) sit back
16. The children are _____ because they're tired.
A) acting up
B) acting out
C) acting on
17. He had to _____ when the opposition became too strong.
A) back away
B) back down
C) back up
18. I only meant to _____ and see how she was feeling.
A) look on
B) look up
C) look in on
19. The machine has completely _____ after years of use.
A) worn out
B) worn off
C) worn down
20. She was invited to _____ the meeting as an observer.
A) sit back
B) sit in on
C) sit up
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TASK 3 – Translation (PL » EN)

Przetłumacz zdania na język angielski.
Użyj co najmniej jednego phrasal verb.

21. Zrezygnował z dobrej okazji, czego później żałował.
22. Muszę odświeżyć angielski przed egzaminem.
23. Nagle weszła na nich podczas kłótni.
24. Przypisał porażkę brakowi doświadczenia.
25. Udało im się przeprowadzić bardzo trudny plan.

ANSWER KEY

PHRASAL VERBS – QUIZ (B2+/C1)

A

1. brush up on
2. gone down with
3. polished off
4. pass up
5. pass himself off
6. take you up on

7. coming up against

8. hold down

9. carried forward

10. backs down

B

11. looked on

12. worn out

13. drew up

14. run through

15. walk out on

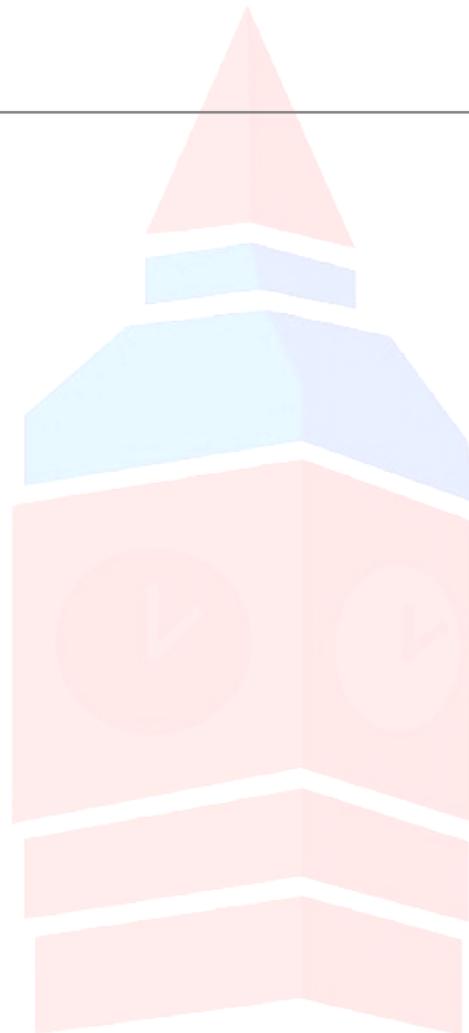
16. sit in on

17. acting up

18. pulled off

19. down

20. sit back



TASK 1 – Key Word Transformations (10 pts)

1. **picked up on**
2. **passed up**
3. **passed himself off as**
4. **wore off**
5. **pulled off**
6. **backed down**
7. **came into**
8. **ran through**
9. **holds down**
10. **put / down to**

- ✓ 1 pkt za poprawny phrasal + gramatykę
✗ brak punktu za błąd w formie / liczbie słów

TASK 2 – Multiple Choice (10 pts)

11. **B**
12. **A**
13. **B**
14. **B**

15. C

16. A

17. B

18. C

19. A

20. B

TASK 3 – Translation (10 pts)

Przykładowe odpowiedzi (inne poprawne wersje akceptowalne):

21. *He passed up a good opportunity and later regretted it.*

22. *I need to brush up on my English before the exam.*

23. *She walked in on them during an argument.*

24. *He put the failure down to lack of experience.*

25. *They managed to carry out a very difficult plan.*

✓ 2 pkt – poprawny phrasal + sens

✓ 1 pkt – drobne błędy językowe, sens zachowany

Phrasal verbs ---MINI DICTIONARY

Phrasal verb	Meaning (EN)	Znaczenie (PL)
act out	to express emotions through bad behaviour	odreagowywać zachowaniem
act up	to behave badly / not function properly	źle się zachowywać / szwankować
back away	to withdraw due to fear or doubt	wycofać się
back down	to admit defeat or stop arguing	ustąpić
brush up on	to refresh or improve previously learned knowledge	odświeżyć, podszlifować
carry forward	to transfer a total to the next page/period	przenieść dalej (np. sumę)
carry out	to perform or complete a task	wykonać, przeprowadzić
come into	to inherit or receive (money/property)	odziedziczyć
come up against	to face difficulties or opposition	natknąć się na problem/opór
draw off	to remove liquid/resources	spuścić, odciągnąć
draw up	to prepare a formal document	sporządzić (dokument)
go down with	to become ill with a disease	zachorować na
go off with	to steal or leave with something/someone	uciec z czymś / ukraść
hold down	to keep a job or position	utrzymać pracę
hold up	to manage or cope successfully	dawać sobie radę
look in on	to visit briefly to check on someone	zajrzeć do kogoś

look on	to watch without getting involved	przyglądać się biernie
look up	to admire or respect someone	podziwiać, szanować
pass oneself off as	to pretend to be someone else	podszycwać się pod kogoś
pass through	to go somewhere without staying	przejechać / przejść przez
pass up	to choose not to accept an opportunity	zrezygnować z okazji
pick up on	to notice or become aware of something subtle	zauważyć, wychwycić coś
polish off	to finish something completely (esp. food)	zjeść / skończyć do końca
polish up	to improve something to a better standard	dopracować, podszlifować
pull into	to enter a place or situation	wjechać / zaangażować się
pull off	to succeed in something difficult	dokonać czegoś trudnego
put down to	to attribute something to a cause	przypisywać czemuś
run by	to show something briefly for approval	skonsultować
run through	to explain or practise step by step	przejsć przez, omówić
sit back	to relax and enjoy	odprężyć się
sit in on	to attend as an observer	uczestniczyć jako obserwator
sit up	to sit upright or stay awake	usiąść prosto / nie spać

take someone out on	to invite someone somewhere (often paying)	zabrać kogoś (np. na kolację)
take someone up on	to accept an offer or suggestion	skorzystać z oferty
walk in on	to interrupt unexpectedly	wejść na kogoś zniemacka
walk out on	to abandon a person or responsibility	porzucić kogoś
wear off	to gradually disappear	mijać, słabnąć
wear out	to become unusable through use	zużyć się

