



# **2<sup>nd</sup> semester**

# **Advanced**

# **Lesson 26**



## Topic 26: Phrasal verbs literal and idiomatic meaning

**A phrasal verb is a verb with one or several prepositions. Unlike verbs with dependent prepositions, they have a completely new meaning.**

A phrasal verb has two parts: a main verb and a particle.

**Verb + Particle = Phrasal Verb**

Particles and prepositions look the same, but they act differently. Particles often change the meaning of the main verb.

Example: He **looked up** (verb and preposition) at the ceiling.

This is not a phrasal verb!!

Example: He **looked up** (verb + participle) the word in the dictionary.

Phrasal Verb!!



## **Literal phrasal verbs**

**Some of the most common phrasal verbs have an obvious meaning (a literal meaning) which you can guess from the two parts. You should understand these examples if you know each individual word:**

**I ran out of the room.**

**I put my keys in my bag. Then I took them out again.**

**You could argue that these shouldn't be called phrasal verbs - they are simply a verb with a place or direction.**



## **Idiomatic phrasal verbs**

**Phrasal verbs also have idiomatic meanings - meanings that are less obvious or impossible to guess from the individual words (but you might be able to guess from the context). Can you guess what these mean?**

**Oh no! We've run out of milk.**

**My boss expects me to put in 10 hours a day.**

**It's important to take out holiday insurance before you travel.**

# Phrasal Verbs for ENVIRONMENT



## Wipe out

*To destroy something completely*

People worry that climate change will **wipe out** coffee crops in certain countries.

## Cut down

*Kill trees*

African forests is being **cut down**.

## Use up

*Finish a supply of something*

I've used up all my holiday entitlement.

## Break down

*To decompose*

Plastics don't **break down** quickly.

## Throw away

*To discard an item that is no longer useful*

Consumers **throw away** around 50 billion plastic bags annually.

## Run out of

*Finish the supply of something*

We'll **run out of** air long before we need food and water.

## Die out

*Stop existing*

This animal will **die out** before long.



**Complete the sentences.**

**passed away, do without, look forward to, called off, made up, carried away, break out, run out, put up with, keep up.**

**Don't smoke in the forest. Fires \_\_\_\_\_ easily at this time of the year.**

**I \_\_\_\_\_ seeing my friends again.**

**I'm afraid; we have \_\_\_\_\_ of apple juice. Will an orange juice do?**

**Your website has helped me a lot to \_\_\_\_\_ the good work.**

**A friend of mine has \_\_\_\_\_ her wedding.**

**His mother can't \_\_\_\_\_ his terrible behavior anymore.**

**As an excuse for being late, she \_\_\_\_\_ a whole story.**

**I got \_\_\_\_\_ by his enthusiasm.**

**I just cannot \_\_\_\_\_ my mobile. I always keep it with me.**

**she was very sad because her father \_\_\_\_\_ last week.**