

100 Most Common

Phrasal Verbs with Meaning

1. **Close up:** Heal a cut or other wound
2. **Pick at:** Eat unwillingly.
3. **Sump up:** Summarize
4. **Be away:** Be elsewhere; on holiday, etc.
5. **Add up:** To make a mathematical total.
6. **Lie down:** Assume a reclining position
7. **Spell out:** Explain in clear and simple terms
8. **Account for:** Be the primary cause of
9. **Be after:** Try to find or get.
10. **Dig into:** Reach inside to get something.
11. **Count up:** Add to get a total
12. **Do for:** Doom; to bring about the demise of
13. **Pull ahead:** Overtake, move in front.
14. **Pack out:** Fill a venue.
15. **Finish off:** Finish completely
16. **Bear upon:** Be relevant to
17. **Let off:** Not punish.
18. **Play around:** Be silly.
19. **Drink to:** Raise one's glass as a toast
20. **Do up:** Redecorate
21. **Make after:** Chase.
22. **Bone up on:** Study hard for a goal or reason.
23. **Do up:** Execute a task or performance
24. **Auction off:** Sell something in an auction.
25. **Lie around:** Be in an unknown place
26. **Shut in:** Lock in
27. **Do in:** Exhaust, to tire out
28. **Make of:** Understand or have an opinion.
29. **Step on it:** Act quickly
30. **Chew up:** Chew so as to make something pulpy
31. **Roll over:** Cause a rolling motion or turn
32. **Keep around:** Keep something near you.
33. **Shut out:** Hide from sight
34. **Hand in:** Give something to a responsible person
35. **Aim at:** To target.
36. **Attend to:** Diligently work on; to pay attention to
37. **Pin on:** Attach the blame to someone.
38. **Pass by:** Go past without stopping.
39. **Draw up:** Come to a halt
40. **Play up:** Behave badly.
41. **Burn down:** Burn completely, so that nothing remains
42. **Kick out:** Expel.
43. **Find out:** Uncover a weakness (in someone)
44. **Clock in:** Be measured at
45. **Peg out:** Put washing outside to dry.
46. **Black out:** Fall unconscious.
47. **Get ahead of:** Move in front of.
48. **Bear with:** Be patient.
49. **Rule out:** Make something impossible
50. **Clear away:** Leave, disappear

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51. **Key to:** Plan things to fit or suit people or situations.
52. **Knuckle down:** Get to work
53. **Believe in:** Have confidence in the ability or power of
54. **Bear out:** Confirm that something is correct.
55. **Back into:** Enter a parking area in reverse gear.
56. **Stick it out:** Persist or continue
57. **Book in:** Check in at a hotel.
58. **Shake off:** Rid oneself of a malady or its symptoms
59. **Jack up:** Increase sharply.
60. **Shut down:** Close, terminate, or end
61. **Stay up:** Maintain an erection
62. **Stick to:** Persist; to continue (to use, do, etc.
63. **Plump for:** Choose.
64. **Cross over:** Die
65. **Head off:** Begin moving away
66. **Shut down:** Turn off or stop
67. **Boil up:** Cook or prepare by boiling
68. **Roll around:** Postpone
69. **Bear on:** Be relevant to
70. **Stay up:** Remain in a raised
71. **Pack in:** Stop doing something.
72. **Be along:** Arrive.
73. **Lie around:** Do nothing in particular
74. **Die out:** Become extinct or disappear.
75. **Allow for:** Take into account when making plans
76. **Read off:** Dictate from a list
77. **Pop off:** Talk loudly, complain.
78. **Mix up:** Confuse.
79. **Stick with:** Follow or adhere to
80. **Back off:** Retreat.
81. **Bail out:** a business
82. **Boil off:** Be removed by boiling
83. **Bail out:** Rescue, especially financially
84. **Believe in:** Ascribe existence to
85. **Log on:** Enter a computer system.
86. **Bear down on:** Move towards.
87. **Count off:** Count (a series of numbers) aloud
88. **Pile up:** Accumulate.
89. **Quiet down:** Become quieter
90. **Stick with:** Persist in using or employing
91. **Pass away:** Die.
92. **Beat down:** Strong sunshine.
93. **Patch up:** Fix or make things better.
94. **Stick up:** Be prominent; to point upwards
95. **Point out:** Tell, remind, indicate
96. **Stick up for:** Defend or protect
97. **Keep at:** Continue with something difficult.
98. **Cancel out:** Neutralize the effect of something
99. **Bash about:** Mistreat physically.
100. **Beat up:** Attack violently.