

Phrasal verbs, idioms.

Read the examples below and match each verb with its meaning:

DO

Do with	manage without
Do without	prevent from having
Do out of	renovate
Do up	need, want

EXAMPLES

I could do with something to eat.
We have to do without a holiday this year as money is so short.
He did me out of my rightful heritage.
The old house needs to be done up.

MAKE

Make for	compensate for
Make of	move in the direction of
Make up for	think /opinion/
Make out	elaborate, write down

EXAMPLES

Let's make for the city centre and find a restaurant on the way.
What do you make of him?
The superb food at the hotel made up for the uncomfortable rooms.
I must make out a list of things we have to buy.

BRING

Bring up	destroy, remove from power, lower
Bring off	raise
Bring down	succeed

EXAMPLES

She brought up three children on her own.
Don't give up. I am sure you'll bring it off.
Inflation will bring down the government. Don't bring me down. They promised to bring down the taxes.

TAKE

Take after	resemble
Take off	form a liking for sb
Take to	put off, leave the ground, imitate

EXAMPLES

He takes after his father.
You can take off your coat. The plane took off 2 hours late. She is very good at taking off her teacher.
She took to him at once

GET

Get away with	come to a successful end, use up all of...
Get behind	recover from
Get down	fail to do something at the right time

Get over do something wrong without being caught
Get through depress

EXAMPLES

The robbers got away with several thousands pounds.
I've got terribly behind with my work.
This weather is really getting me down.
She's getting over bad flu.
She got through all her exams. He got through his month's salary in just one weekend.

IDIOMS

Idioms used of people in the classroom:

Teacher's pet, top of the class, a know-all, a big-head, a lazy-bones.

What would you call:

An irritating person who knows everything?
The person who is the teacher's favourite?
Someone who thinks they are the best and says so?
The one who gets the best marks?
A person who is very lazy?

Idioms describing feelings, mood

Be in high spirits, be on cloud nine, have a face as long as a fiddle, be like a bear with a sore head, feel all in /exhausted/, be under the weather, be at death's door, be shaking in one's shoes, jump out of skin.

Divide the idioms into 4 groups according to their meanings:

Positive feelings negative feelings physical states fear
Can you explain the meanings in Czech

Idioms connected with games and sport

I have **started the ball rolling** by telling you what I think our company should do now. I would like anyone who has any comments or questions to speak now. **The ball is in your court**. Don't forget that our rival companies are **on the ball** and if we don't act quickly and do something **off our own bat**, they will. I know my proposals will involve people doing overtime, but I hope that the workers may agree **to play ball** given the circumstances we are all in. It's not our fault we are in this situation. Different rates of tax in different countries mean that we are not competing **on a level playing field**.

Match the idioms from the text with the meanings below:

You have to do something now before any progress can be made
Quick to understand and react
On our own initiative, without being asked to by anyone else
In a fair situation
Started and activity and encouraged others to join in.
Co-operate in order to achieve something