



## PHRASAL VERBS

1) Complete the sentences 1 – 4 with a suitable phrasal verb in the correct form.

- look forward to
- take up
- run out of
- look up

- 1 Sorry, but I've .....all ideas.
- 2 Could you.....the number .....in the telephone directory?
- 3 We are .....hearing from you soon.
- 4 Peter decided to.....Spanish this year.

2) In sentences 5 – 10 the phrasal verbs (in bold) have been mixed up. Try to correct the sentences.

- 5 Could you **let me down** from the station?
- 6 Teenagers find it difficult to **give up** with their parents.
- 7 Can you **get over** my dog next weekend?
- 8 People with heart disease should **get along** smoking.
- 9 Don't **pick me up** - I count on you.
- 10 He'll never **look after** his grandmother's death.

A survey of phrasal verbs from exercises 1 and 2:

Phrasal verbs	Meanings/Czech equivalents
■ look st. up	
■ look after sb./st.	
■ look forward to sb./st.	
■ run out of st.	
■ get over st.	
■ pick sb. up	
■ give up st.	
■ take up st.	
■ get along with sb.	
■ let sb. down	

3) Fill in the gaps with phrasal verbs from the box which mean the same as the verbs in brackets.

<del>care for</del>	carry on	cut down	fill in	put off
ring up	set off	take in	turn down	turn up

I had been doing the same job for years and I didn't really **care for** (*like*) (1) it any more but it was extremely well paid. Then one day I decided to look for another job, realising I would need to ..... (*reduce*) (2) what I spent on luxuries.

I ..... (*completed*) (3) lots of forms but all my applications were ..... (*rejected*) (4). I ..... (*continued*) (5) looking for a job but nothing suitable ..... (*appeared*) (6) so I booked a holiday. The day before I was due to ..... (*leave*) (7) I was ..... (*telephoned*) (8) by a TV company who asked me to go for an interview the next day. I ..... (*postponed*) (9) my holiday immediately. It was the job of my dreams. I could hardly ..... (*absorb*) (10) the news when they offered it to me. And I never went on that holiday.

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A list of phrasal verbs from exercise 3:

VERBS	MODEL SENTENCES showing the correct word order.
■ care for sth.	He <b>didn't care for</b> her friends.
■ carry on (with sth./doing st.)	<b>Carry on</b> with your work while I'm away. He <b>carried on</b> reading the newspaper.
■ cut sth. down; cut down (on) sth.	We need to <b>cut the article down</b> to 1 000 words. The doctor told him to <b>cut down on his drinking</b> .
■ fill sth. in	To order, <b>fill in the coupon</b> on page 54.
■ put sth. off	Let's <b>put the meeting off</b> until next Friday.
■ ring sb. up	You should <b>ring him up</b> as soon as you can.
■ set off (for a place)	We <b>set off for London</b> just after ten.
■ take sth. in	Halfway through the chapter I realized I <b>hadn't taken anything in</b> .
■ turn sb./sth. down	He asked her to marry him but she <b>turned him down</b> . Unfortunately, she <b>turned my invitation down</b> .
■ turn up	We arranged to meet at 7.30, but she never <b>turned up</b> .