

4PhrasalVerbs

Phrasal verbs that can be used with **STUDYING** situations.

fall behind

inseparable / (in)transitive

- to make less progress than other people who are doing a similar activity.

*If Sally doesn't work harder in class, she will **fall behind** the other students.*

*Jack is quite lazy and has **fallen behind** in class.*

keep up

inseparable / intransitive

- to learn at the same speed as someone.

*Jack works hard to **keep up with** the other students.*

*If Sally stopped playing with her phone in class, she would easily be able to **keep up**.*

look up

separable / transitive

- to try to find a particular piece of information by using a book, list, sign, notice or computer.

*Sally is so fast at **looking** definitions **up** in her dictionary.*

*Jack always **looks up** the latest departure time of his train when he gets to the station.*

take in

separable / transitive

- to understand and remember something that you learn.

*Sally is amazing! She **takes in** almost everything she reads.*

*Jack! Are you **taking** this **in**?*

YOU SHOULD LEARN PHRASAL VERBS BECAUSE...

1. They can often communicate complex ideas in a more concise way.
2. All native speakers use them, often without even realising it.
3. Using them will demonstrate a deeper understanding of English. But remember, only use them if you believe the person you are communicating with will understand them.
4. Most TV shows, movies, books, internet pages etc written by native speakers will use them, therefore, understanding them means you can enjoy the content more.

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