

## **Vocabulary/Grammar work**

### Practice Exercise 1: 'Make' Phrasal Verbs.

**1)** Both teams are playing well so this should make ..... an entertaining game.

- A.    ?    with
- B.    ?    for**
- C.    ?    up
- D.    ?    through

**2)** He's quite arrogant and likes to make himself ..... to be the company's best sales person.

- A.    ?    out**
- B.    ?    up
- C.    ?    away
- D.    ?    in

**3)** The burglary took place last night and thieves made ..... with several items of jewellery.

- A.    ?    out
- B.    ?    through
- C.    ?    off**
- D.    ?    down

**4)** The audio quality was very poor and I couldn't make ..... what they were saying.

- A.    ?    up
- B.    ?    out**
- C.    ?    through
- D.    ?    in

**5)** You wouldn't believe some of the stories students make ..... for not doing their homework.

- A.    ?    up**

- B. ? in
- C. ? at
- D. ? through

**6)** I'm taking my husband for a meal to make ..... for forgetting his birthday last week.

- A. ? through
- B. ? in
- C. ? down

**D.** ? up

**7)** He's a talented carpenter and made a pile of old wood ..... a lovely coffee table.

- A. ? up
- B. ? of
- C. ? in

**D.** ? into

**8)** It didn't take the two children long to make ..... and be friends again after their little argument.

- A. ? through
- B. ? in
- C. ? out

**D.** ? up

## Practice Exercise 2: 'Set' Phrasal Verbs.

**1)** As soon as the couple got the keys to their new home they set ..... decorating the living room.

A. ? about

B. ? up

C. ? off

D. ? down

**2)** The flight was at 7.00 in the morning so he had to set ..... from home at 4.00.

A. ? on

B. ? away

C. ? through

D. ? off

**3)** The two friends decided not to go to university and set ..... the business as soon as they finished school.

A. ? in

B. ? down

C. ? up

D. ? through

**4)** The timetable for the project was set ..... when investors failed to provide extra funding.

A. ? off

B. ? back

C. ? down

D. ? away

**5)** I need to buy some winter clothes before the cold weather sets .....

A. ? in

B. ? out

C. ? down

D. ? off

**6)** Her ability to create thrilling storylines is what sets her ..... from other writers.

A. ? back

B. ? out

C. ? off

D. ? apart

**7)** Getting the computer repaired set me ..... quite a lot of money.

A. ? away

B. ? behind

C. ? back

D. ? off

**8)** The defendant claimed he was innocent and had been set ..... by the police.

A. ? down

B. ? up

C. ? back

D. ? through

## Practice Exercise 3: Mixed Phrasal Verbs

**1)** Although he held some strong opinions he eventually had to ..... down and admit he was wrong.

A. ? move

B. ? wear

C. ? back

D. ? roll

**2)** After our lunch we ..... up with the rest of the people on our trip.

A. ? joined

B. ? gathered

C. ? mixed

D. ? rounded

**3)** You need to ..... in at the hotel reception before being given your key.

A. ? get

B. ? show

C. ? book

D. ? set

**4)** After a long investigation the police were able to ..... together the truth about what had happened on the day of the murder.

A. ? piece

B. ? scrape

C. ? get

D. ? fix

**5)** I was near Jackie's house this morning so I dropped ..... for a chat.

A. ? over

B. ? in

C. ? on

D. ? around

6) I had a huge argument with my best friend yesterday but I'm hoping it will blow ..... in a couple of days.

A. ? up

B. ? over

C. ? away

D. ? down

7) I should be able to fix your computer but I need some time to look ..... the cause of the problem.

A. ? into

B. ? for

C. ? round

D. ? through

8) The caller waited impatiently while the receptionist tried to put her ..... to the office.

A. ? over

B. ? through

C. ? out

D. ? in

## Practice Exercise 4: Work Expressions

1) You need to have a ..... for business if you intend to work for that company.

A. ? head

B. ? mind

C. ? brain

D. ? sense

2) I've got a lot on my ..... at the moment. Can I get back to you next week when I'm less busy?

A. ? dish

B. ? plate

C. ? platter

D. ? bowl

**3)** The Internet offers great business potential for an entrepreneur prepared to ..... out a niche for themselves.

A. ? slice

B. ? slash

C. ? cut

D. ? carve

**4)** After working for the company for 25 years, the director was given a generous ..... handshake.

A. ? bronze

B. ? golden

C. ? silver

D. ? platinum

**5)** To balance the ..... we need to cut back on production costs.

A. ? records

B. ? scales

C. ? files

D. ? books

**6)** I can't be precise but a ..... park figure for the job would be around £200.

A. ? even

B. ? ball

C. ? round

D. ? green

**7)** It can sometimes pay to do voluntary work just to get your ..... in the door of a company.

A. ? hand

B. ? body

C. ? leg

D. ? foot

**8)** Their business plan didn't quite work out so the team had to go back to the ..... board.

A. ? writing

B. ? drawing

C. ? planning

D. ? sketching



## Exercise 5: People Collocations

1) She's a really kind ..... and is always ready to help people in need.

- A. ? human
- B. ? soul
- C. ? personality
- D. ? character

2) He brings the ..... touch to a very impersonal business.

- A. ? human
- B. ? spirit
- C. ? individual
- D. ? character

3) It's a difficult decision and it should be left up to the ..... concerned.

- A. ? personality
- B. ? character
- C. ? individual
- D. ? human

4) The applicant was asked to supply two ..... references from previous employers.

- A. ? character
- B. ? personality
- C. ? individual
- D. ? human

5) John is rather a free ..... and doesn't like the idea of being tied down to a routine.

- A. ? personality
- B. ? individual
- C. ? spirit

D. ? human

6) One of the ..... traits of an introvert is the need to be alone at times to recharge their batteries.

A. ? human

B. ? personality

C. ? individual

D. ? spirit

## Sample Exam Question.

**For each question, choose which of the four possible answers fits the space best. Also think about why the other three answers are not possible.**

1. We paid the lawyer to \_\_\_\_\_ up a totally new will, one which left the three boys much better off.

a) draw

b) bring

c) sign

d) make

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ time for making decisions is lunchtime.

a) fine

b) optimum

c) peak

d) maximum

3. The elderly patient was considered too \_\_\_\_\_ to survive an operation.

a) tenuous

b) brittle

c) frail

d) insane

4. Last Sunday, the highest temperature in \_\_\_\_\_ history was registered.

a) marked

b) accounted

c) noted

d) recorded

5. Milk is an important \_\_\_\_\_ of calcium and vitamin D and is an important part of any diet.

a) source

- b) ancestor
- c) base
- d) root

6. The customs officer was suspicious and called the man over to \_\_\_\_\_ his luggage more closely.

- a) inspect
- b) view
- c) gaze at
- d) glimpse

7. Are these old plates of \_\_\_\_\_ importance or can I put them into storage?

- a) main
- b) lively
- c) vital
- d) urgent

8. The humble bee, so often \_\_\_\_\_ for granted, plays a key role in agriculture.

- a) taken
- b) collected
- c) given
- d) put

## **Over to you.**

There are many more online exercises to practice on Flo Joe, check them out!