

## Phrasal Verbs List

- **Business**

- Break even: It will take us six months to break even on our new investment.
- Shell out: I had to shell out a lot of money to repair my car after the accident.
- Bring in: The new marketing campaign helped bring in a lot of new customers.
- Go under: The small restaurant chain went under due to the economic downturn.
- Work towards: I'm working towards a promotion by improving my skills and taking on new responsibilities.
- Zoom in (on): The detective zoomed in on the suspect's face in the surveillance footage.
- Work out: I've been going to the gym regularly to work out and get in shape.
- Do away with: The company decided to do away with their old dress code policy and allow more casual attire.
- Carry over: I couldn't use all of my vacation time last year, so I'm carrying it over to this year.
- Stay ahead (of): The company is always looking for new ways to stay ahead of its competitors.
- Stay on top (of): The team worked hard to stay on top of their game and win the championship.
- Keep up (with): I need to keep up with my studies to get good grades in school.
- Deal with: The manager had to deal with a difficult customer complaint.
- Fall behind (on): I fell behind on my rent payments after losing my job.
- Count on: You can count on me to be there for you when you need help.
- Bring up: During the meeting, I brought up the issue of low morale among the staff.
- Cut back (on): In order to save money, I decided to cut back on eating out at restaurants.
- Scrape by / Get by: After losing his job, he had to scrape by on unemployment benefits.
- Turn (sth) around: The new CEO managed to turn the company around and make it profitable again.
- Dip into sth: I had to dip into my savings to pay for the unexpected car repair.
- Run up: She ran up a huge credit card debt while on vacation.
- Keep (sth) going: The volunteers worked hard to keep the charity organization going.
- Run through / Go over: Let's run through the presentation one more time before the meeting.
- Thought out (past tense): The plan was well thought out and executed smoothly.
- Put up: We need to put up more posters to advertise the event.

- Take over: The new manager will take over next month.
- Sign off (on): The CEO needs to sign off on the new project before we can start working on it.
- Come up with: The team brainstormed ideas and came up with a new marketing strategy.
- Check (sth) out: I need to check out this new restaurant everyone is talking about.
- Draw up: The lawyer will draw up the contract for us to sign.
- Map (sth) out: The architect mapped out the blueprints for the new building.
- Go over sth: Let's go over the instructions one more time to make sure we understand them.
- Get around: We need to find a way to get around the traffic jam and arrive on time.
- Act on sth: The company decided to act on the feedback from customers and make changes to their product.
- Pull out: The company decided to pull out of the partnership due to disagreements.
- Back out: He promised to help me move but backed out at the last minute.
- To rip someone off: The car salesman tried to rip me off by overcharging me for the car.
- Turn your back on sth: She decided to turn her back on her corporate job and start her own business.
- See to it: I'll see to it that the report is completed on time.
- Turn up: I didn't expect him to turn up at the party.
- Take up: She decided to take up painting as a hobby.
- All-in: The poker player decided to go all-in on the last hand.
- Think over: I need to think over the job offer before making a decision.
- Get back to: I'll get back to you with an answer by the end of the week.
- Sort out: Let's sort out the issues before they escalate.
- Work (sth) out: We need to work out a plan to increase sales.
- Move on (to): After finishing the project, we can move on to the next one.
- **Money**
  - Rake in: The company managed to rake in a huge profit this year.
  - Cash in (on) (sth): The singer decided to cash in on her fame and launch a fashion line.
  - Bank on: We're banking on the new product to boost our sales.
  - Hedge against: The investor decided to hedge against potential losses by diversifying their portfolio.
  - Save up (for / to): She's been saving up for a new car for months.
  - Figure out: We need to figure out how to reduce our expenses.
  - Cut back (on): We need to cut back on our spending to save money.

- Pay off: All their hard work paid off and they finally got the promotion.
- Invest in: The company decided to invest in new technology to improve efficiency.
- Look into: The detective will look into the case and try to solve the mystery.
- Put in: We need to put in more effort to achieve our goals.

- Pay off: The student loan will take years to pay off.
- Buy out: The company decided to buy out their competitor.
- Try out: I'm going to try out this new recipe for dinner tonight.
- Step down: The CEO decided to step down from his position.
- Start out: She started out as an intern and worked her way up to management.
- Give up: Don't give up on your dreams, keep working towards them.

- Level off: The sales have started to level off after a period of growth.
- Trend upwards: The stock market has been trending upwards for the past month.
- Weigh up: We need to weigh up the pros and cons before making a decision.
- Fork out: I had to fork out a lot of money for the car repairs.
- Pile up: The dishes have started to pile up in the sink.
- Tie up: We need to tie up loose ends before the project deadline.
- Iron out: The team needs to iron out the details before the presentation.

- **People and Relationships**

- Look after - I have to look after my sister's dog this weekend.
- Stay in touch (with) - Even though we live in different countries, we try to stay in touch.
- Keep up (with) - It's hard to keep up with all the changes in technology these days.
- Hang out (with) - I love to hang out with my friends on the weekends.

- Grow up (with) - I grew up with three brothers and sisters.
- Hang out (with) - My son loves to hang out with his cousins.
- Get into - I got into photography when I was in college.
- Come between - Don't let a disagreement come between you and your friend.
- Get along (with) - I get along well with my coworkers.

- Stick together - It's important for family members to stick together in tough times.
- Look out for - My neighbour always looks out for me when I'm out of town.
- Bring up - It's never easy to bring up a sensitive topic in a conversation.
- Look up to - My little brother has always looked up to me.
- Take after - My daughter takes after her father in so many ways.
- Live up to - It's hard to live up to everyone's expectations.

- Put on - I need to put on a sweater before we go outside.

- Hit the sth - I hit the gym every morning before work.
- Pay attention (to) - You need to pay attention to the teacher if you want to pass the exam.
- Eat out - We usually eat out on Friday nights.
- Stay behind - I need to stay behind after class to talk to my professor.
- Chop up / cut up / slice up / dice up - Can you chop up some vegetables for the salad?
- Warm up - I need to warm up before I start running.
- Pay up - You need to pay up if you want to keep playing.
  
- Going on - What's going on? Can I help you with something?
- Act up / act out - Children often act up when they're tired or hungry.
- Leave (sth) alone - You need to leave the plants alone so they can grow.
- Tell on - Don't tell on your brother just because you're angry.
- Come down on - My boss always comes down on me when I make a mistake.
- Stand up for sth - You need to stand up for your beliefs even if it's not popular.
- Back down - It's hard to back down when you know you're right.
  
- Go out - We're going out to dinner tonight.
- Hit it off - My sister and her new coworker hit it off right away.
- Asked out - He finally asked her out after weeks of flirting.
- Call off - We had to call off the party because of the weather.
  
- Break up (with) - It's never easy to break up with someone you love.
- Working out - Are you working out regularly?
- Chat up - He tried to chat up the bartender but she wasn't interested.
- Make up - Let's make up and be friends again.
- Fall for - I fell for his charming personality right away.
  
- **Travel**
  - Dream of - He dreams of becoming a successful musician someday.
  - Fall through - Our plans to go camping fell through because of the bad weather.
  - Get away - I need to get away from work for a while and take a vacation.
  - Go abroad / go overseas - She went overseas to study in a foreign university.
  - Look forward to sth - I'm looking forward to the weekend so I can relax.
  
  - Find out - I need to find out more information about this topic.
  - Check in - We need to check in at the hotel before 3 pm.
  - Turn out - It turned out that the party was cancelled.
  - Drop off - Can you drop me off at the station on your way to work?
  - Calm down - Please calm down and try to relax.

- Touch down - The plane will touch down at the airport in half an hour.
- Pick up - Can you pick up some milk on your way home?
- Head off (to) - I need to head off to the meeting now.
- Think of sth - Can you think of any good ideas for our project?
- Go on sth - She decided to go on a strict diet to lose weight.
- Take in - I need to take in this dress before I can wear it.
- Go along - Do you want to go along with us to the concert tonight?
- Set off - We plan to set off early tomorrow morning for our road trip.
- Stop over - We'll stop over in London for a night before heading to Paris.
- Hold up - Sorry for the delay, I was held up in traffic.
- Get back to - Let me check my schedule and I'll get back to you.
- Head back - We need to head back home soon.
- Take off - The plane will take off in 30 minutes.
- Hurry up - Hurry up or we'll be late for the movie.
- See (someone) off - We went to the airport to see our friend off.
- Get going - It's time to get going, we have a lot to do today.
- **Shopping**
  - Swing by / swing past - Can you swing by the store on your way home?
  - Backed up / jammed up - The traffic was so backed up that we were stuck for an hour.
  - Pick up - I need to pick up some groceries on my way home.
  - Ran out - We ran out of milk, I need to go to the store to buy more.
  - Fed up - I'm fed up with my job and want to find a new one.
  - Wake up - I need to wake up early tomorrow for my morning jog.
  - Out of luck - I'm out of luck, I didn't win the lottery.
  - Sold out - The tickets for the concert were sold out in minutes.
  - Stock up - I need to stock up on some groceries for the week.
  - Keep up - You need to keep up with your studies if you want to pass the exam.
  - Heads up - Just a heads up, the meeting has been rescheduled for tomorrow.
  - Check out - We need to check out of the hotel by noon.
  - Comes to - When it comes to cooking, I'm not very skilled.
  - Shop around - I'm going to shop around for a better deal before I buy the laptop.
  - Pick out - Can you pick out a good book for me to read?
  - Run up - I accidentally ran up a huge phone bill last month.
  - Pay off - His hard work paid off when he got the promotion.

- Adds up: After looking at my bank statement, I realized that my expenses add up to more than my income.
- Better off: You'll be better off taking a taxi instead of walking in this rain.
- Pass up: I couldn't pass up the opportunity to travel to Europe with my friends.

- Stick to: If you want to lose weight, you should stick to a healthy diet and exercise regularly.
- Settle on: After trying on several dresses, I finally settled on the blue one.
- Check out: We decided to check out the new restaurant in town last night.
- Cash in: He decided to cash in his savings bonds to buy a new car.
- Splash out: My sister splashed out on an expensive designer handbag.

- **Education**

- Hand out: The teacher handed out the exam papers to the students.
  - Opt for / opt to: After considering different options, we decided to opt for the more affordable apartment.
  - Write out: Please write out your full name and address on the registration form.
  - Sail through / fly through: I was worried about the exam, but I ended up sailing through it without much difficulty.
  - Sink in: It took me a while for the news to sink in, but eventually, I realized that my favourite band had broken up.
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- Make it (through): Despite the difficult conditions, we managed to make it through the jungle.
  - Filter out: The water filter was able to filter out all the impurities and make the water safe to drink.
  - Drop out: I had to drop out of college because of financial difficulties.
  - First off: First off, let me thank you all for coming to my birthday party.
  - Fall behind: If you don't study regularly, you'll start to fall behind in the class.
  - Pile up: The dishes were starting to pile up in the sink, so I had to do the washing.
  - Put (sth) off: I keep putting off going to the dentist, but I know I should make an appointment soon.
  - Read up on sth: Before the interview, I spent some time reading up on the company's history and values.
  - Read ahead: I couldn't help but read ahead to find out what happens in the next chapter.
  - Turn in: It's getting late, so I think it's time to turn in for the night.
  - Make use of: You should make use of your skills and talents to achieve your goals.
  - Brush up on sth: I need to brush up on my French before my trip to Paris.

- Take in: The tour guide explained the history of the castle and its surroundings, and I tried to take it all in.
- Go over someone's head: If you have a problem with your supervisor, you can go over their head and speak to their manager.
- Pick up: Can you pick up some milk on your way home from work?
- Break down: My car broke down on the way to the airport, and I had to call a tow truck.
- Get up to: I wonder what my cat gets up to when I'm not home.
- Come across: While cleaning out my closet, I came across an old photo album from my childhood.
- Back up: I always back up my important files to an external hard drive, just in case.
- Pore over: I spent hours poring over the details of the contract before signing it.
- Stumble onto / stumble upon: While taking a walk in the woods, I stumbled onto a hidden waterfall.

- **Around the House**

- Have someone over - I'm having some friends over for dinner tonight.
  - Clean up - I need to clean up my room before my parents come to visit.
  - Put sth away - Can you help me put away the dishes after dinner?
  - Take down - Let's take down the Christmas decorations now that the holiday is over.
  - Put on - She put on her coat and headed out the door.
  - Turn up / turn down - Can you turn up the volume on the TV? It's too quiet. / Please turn down the music, it's too loud.
  - Wind down - After a long day at work, I like to wind down by taking a relaxing bath.
  - Tone (sth) down - He needs to tone down his jokes, they're offensive to some people.
  - Pick up - I need to pick up some groceries on my way home from work.
  - Throw away - Don't throw away those old magazines, I can use them for a project.
  - Speed up - We need to speed up if we want to make it to the concert on time.
  - Sort out - I need to sort out my schedule for the week ahead.
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- Listen up - Listen up everyone, I have an important announcement to make.
  - Pick up - Can you pick up some milk on your way home from work?
  - Make it - I'm not sure if I can make it to your party, but i'll try.
  - Work together - Let's work together to finish this project on time.
  - Rent out - I'm thinking of renting out my spare room on Airbnb.
  - Mop up - i'll mop up the spilled water on the floor.
  - Start on / get cracking on - We need to start on the new project as soon as possible.
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- Move forward (with) - We've decided to move forward with the new marketing strategy.
  - Move out (of) - I'm moving out of my apartment next week.

- Cram in / cram into - We managed to cram in a lot of sightseeing during our short trip to Paris.
- Move in / move into - I'm excited to move into my new house next month.
- Take up - I'm thinking of taking up a new hobby this year.
- Put up - Can you put up these posters around the office?
- Plan out - Let's plan out our itinerary for our upcoming vacation.
- Tidy up - I'll tidy up the living room before our guests arrive.
- Build on / build onto - We're planning to build onto our house next year.
- Do up - I need to do up my shoelaces before we go for a walk.
- Bump into - I bumped into an old friend at the grocery store.



## Idioms List

- **Agreeing and Disagreeing**

- On the same page/see eye to eye: I'm glad we're on the same page regarding the project timeline.
- Give the green light/go ahead/thumbs up: The board of directors gave the green light for the new marketing campaign.
- Find middle ground/meet in the middle: We need to find a way to meet in the middle and reach a compromise.
- For the greater good: The CEO made the tough decision for the greater good of the company.
- To be at odds about sth: The two departments are at odds about the new policy.
- Smooth sth over: We need to smooth things over with the customer after the delay.
- Clear the air: It's time to clear the air and talk about the elephant in the room.
- Agree to disagree: Let's agree to disagree on this issue and move on.
- Put our differences aside: It's time to put our personal differences aside and work together.
- Hammer out a deal: We need to hammer out a deal before the deadline.
- Bury the hatchet: After years of feuding, the two families decided to bury the hatchet and make peace.

- **Body, Health and Memory**

- Slip your mind: I'm sorry, your name slipped my mind for a moment.
- On the tip of your tongue: The name of the movie is on the tip of my tongue, but I can't remember it.
- Rule of thumb: A good rule of thumb is to save at least 10% of your income.
- Going in one ear and out the other: It seems like everything I say to my teenager goes in one ear and out the other.
- Get cold feet (about): I'm getting cold feet about skydiving, but I already paid for the ticket.
- Come down with something/flu: Please can you get some cold and flu medication from the pharmacy? I think I'm coming down with the flu.
- Spring to mind: When I think of Italy, pizza and gelato spring to mind.
- To pick someone's brain: Can I pick your brain for a minute about the project?
- Keep your chin/head up: Keep your head up, things will get better.
- In the blink of an eye: The vacation was over in the blink of an eye.
- My heart sank: My heart sank when I saw the damage to my car.

- To go blank: During the exam, my mind went blank and I couldn't remember anything.
- A pat on the back: You did a great job on the presentation, here's a pat on the back.
- A shoulder to cry on: When you need a shoulder to cry on, I'm here for you.
- Escapes me: I'm sorry, the answer escapes me at the moment.
  
- Get on someone's nerves: Her constant humming is starting to get on my nerves.
- Under the weather: I'm feeling a bit under the weather today, I think I caught a cold.
- Driving me crazy/driving me up the wall/driving me round the bend: This traffic is driving me crazy!
- Up and about: After a good night's sleep, I'm up and about.
- On the mend: I'm on the mend after my surgery.
  
- Raise an eyebrow: His comments about the new project raised an eyebrow among the team.
- Play sth by ear: Let's play it by ear and see how the meeting goes.
- Lost my train of thought: Sorry, I lost my train of thought for a moment.
- Ring a bell: Does the name John Smith ring a bell?
  
- **Business, Work and Sport**
  - Get a foot in the door: She applied for an internship to get her foot in the door at the company she wanted to work for.
  - Under your belt: He has a few years of experience under his belt, so he should be able to handle the new job.
  - A team player: She's always willing to help and work collaboratively with others; she's definitely a team player.
  - Go the extra mile: I know it's a lot of work, but if we go the extra mile now, it will pay off in the long run.
  - Climb the career ladder: He's been promoted several times in the past few years and is definitely climbing the career ladder.
  - Up to your eyeballs in sth: I can't take on any more work right now, I'm up to my eyeballs in projects.
  - Throw in the towel: I've been trying to fix this issue for hours, but I think it's time to throw in the towel and call for help.
  - You win some, you lose some: We didn't win the contract, but you win some, you lose some. It's just part of doing business.
  
  - Red tape: There's so much red tape involved in getting a government contract that it can take months to get everything approved.
  - Seal the deal: We finally sealed the deal after weeks of negotiations and paperwork.
  - Cut to the chase: Let's cut to the chase and talk about the main issue at hand.

- Ballpark figure: Can you give me a ballpark figure for how much it will cost to repair the roof?
  - The lion's share: He took the lion's share of the credit for the project, even though everyone else contributed equally.
  - Shifting the goalposts: Every time we think we've met the requirements, they keep shifting the goalposts.
  - The ball is in my court: The ball is in my court now, so I need to make a decision quickly.
  - To play ball: If they want to work together, they need to play ball and be willing to compromise.
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- Business as usual: Despite the pandemic, many businesses have tried to continue with business as usual.
  - A whole new ball game / a whole new kettle of fish: After the merger, things are a whole new ball game around here.
  - On the ball / on the money: She's always on the ball and never misses a detail.
  - The rat race: He's tired of the rat race and is considering a career change.
  - To miss the boat: I didn't invest in the company when I had the chance, and now I feel like I missed the boat.
  - To be thrown a curveball: I was thrown a curveball when they changed the project requirements at the last minute.
  - Stay ahead of the curve / stay ahead of the pack: In order to succeed in this industry, you need to stay ahead of the curve and always be learning.
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- Think outside the box: We need to think outside the box and come up with a new approach to the problem.
  - To be thrown into the deep end: As soon as she started the new job, she was thrown into the deep end and given a big project to manage.
  - To be in the red: The company is in the red and is struggling financially.
  - To be in the black: The business is finally in the black and making a profit.
  - To score a lucky break: He scored a lucky break when he was offered a job in his dream industry
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- **Food and Eating**
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- Put food on the table: He works hard every day to put food on the table for his family.
  - To pay peanuts: The company pays peanuts to its interns, and many of them cannot afford to live in the city.
  - There's more to X than it seems: He may seem quiet, but there's more to him than meets the eye.

- A couch potato: My brother is a couch potato, he spends all day in front of the TV and hardly ever leaves the house.
- Walk on eggshells: After their argument, she felt like she had to walk on eggshells around him.
- To sugar coat sth: She didn't sugarcoat the fact that the project was behind schedule and over budget.
- To spoon feed someone: He was used to being spoon-fed and didn't know how to be independent.
- To bite off more than you can chew/handle: I think you're biting off more than you can chew with that project.
- To act like you own the place: I can't stand serving customers who act like they own the place!

- I'm starving: I'm so hungry, I could eat a horse!
- Out of this world: The sushi we had at that restaurant was out of this world.
- Make your mouth water: The smell of fresh-baked cookies makes my mouth water.
- An acquired taste: Black licorice is definitely an acquired taste.
- To wash sth down: He washed down his sandwich with a glass of milk.
- To spoil your appetite: Eating too many snacks before dinner will spoil your appetite.
- Test the water(s): Before starting a new business, it's a good idea to test the waters and see if there's a demand.
- Hit the road: It's time to hit the road and start our journey.
- I can't wait (for/to): I can't wait for my vacation to start.

- In a nutshell: In a nutshell, the plan is to expand our business.
- Mouth-watering: The restaurant's menu features many mouth-watering dishes.
- Take the cake: Of all the bad bosses I've had, he really takes the cake.
- To die for: The cheesecake at that bakery is to die for.
- To spill the beans: She accidentally spilled the beans about the surprise party.
- A magician never reveals his secret(s): Sorry, I can't tell you how I did it. A magician never reveals his secrets.
- To be in on something/to let someone in on it: I'm in on the surprise party planning.
- Sell like hot cakes: The new iPhone is selling like hotcakes.

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- A friend of a friend: I heard from a friend of a friend that they're hiring at the company where he works.
- Get off on the wrong foot: I accidentally insulted my boss on my first day, so I really got off on the wrong foot with him.

- Water under the bridge: We had a disagreement last year, but we've made up since then, and now it's just water under the bridge.
  - Get on like a house on fire: From the moment we met, we got on like a house on fire and have been the best of friends ever since.
  - No spring chicken: She's no spring chicken, but she's still a great athlete and can keep up with the younger players.
  - Getting on in years: My grandparents are getting on in years, but they're still active and healthy.
  - Young at heart: Even though he's in his 60s, my dad is still young at heart and loves to try new things.
  - Ripe old age of: My great-grandmother lived until the ripe old age of 98.
  - Tender age of: At the tender ages of 3-7, parents should be especially mindful of the habits and beliefs they impart onto their children.
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- Odd one out (of): In a group of athletes, he was the odd one out because he was a musician.
  - Bear resemblance to: She bears a striking resemblance to her mother.
  - To be all / just skin and bones: After being sick for so long, he was all skin and bones when he got out of the hospital.
  - Keep an eye out (for) / keep an eye open (for): Can you keep an eye out for any deals on flights to Europe?
  - To look the part: She dressed professionally and wore a suit to look the part for her job interview.
  - To look like a million bucks: She had her hair and makeup done and looked like a million bucks at the party.
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- Have a word with someone: I need to have a word with my boss about my workload.
  - On your mind: I could tell something was on her mind because she seemed distracted all day.
  - To think the world of sth: I think the world of my sister because she's always there for me.
  - Miles ahead (of): The new computer is miles ahead of the old one in terms of speed and performance.
  - Give credit where credit/it is due: I have to give credit where it's due - she did an amazing job on that project.
  - To steal the show: The comedian's performance was so hilarious that he completely stole the show.
  - A tough act to follow: After the amazing performance by the previous band, it was a tough act to follow for the next group.
  - Best of both (worlds): By living in the city, I get the best of both worlds - I have access to all the cultural events and also the peace and quiet of my own home.

- To leave a bitter taste in someone's mouth: The way they treated me during that meeting left a bitter taste in my mouth.
- Up to scratch: The new employee's work wasn't up to scratch, so we had to let him go.
- To add fuel to the fire: I didn't mean to add fuel to the fire, but my comment made the argument even worse.
- To have seen better days: That old car has definitely seen better days.
- The final/last straw: When she forgot my birthday, it was the final straw and I knew I had to end the relationship.
- Make a quick buck: He's always looking for ways to make a quick buck, even if it means doing something shady.
- A let down: I didn't really enjoy the latest instalment in the trilogy. It was a bit of a let down, to be honest.
- At all costs: The captain instructed his troops that the bell tower must be retaken at all costs because of its high strategic importance.



## Collocations List

Have	Do	Make
a backache a bad fall a bad temper a bath a birthday a bite a break a business trip a busy day a career/a goal a chance a chat a cold a competition a confrontation a conversation a conversation/chat a cup of tea/ coffee a dance a day off a discussion a dispute a doubt a dream a drill a drink a feeling a fight a fit a game of a glass of wine a go a goal a good time a good/nice/etc day! a great weekend a haircut a hard time a headache a holiday a jacuzzi a jog a laugh a lecture a lesson	a course a deal a favour a good/great/terrible job a job a report an experiment anything/sth/everything badly better business damage exercise experiments good gymnastics harm homework justice laundry nothing research someone a favour someone's hair sth sth right sth wrong sports sums the cleaning the cooking the crossword the dishes the housework the ironing the math the maximum the minimum the paperwork the right thing the shopping the washing up well work your best	a break for a cake a call a change a choice a comment a complaint a confession/ an admission a contract a cup of tea a deal a decision a difference a discovery a dress a fire a fool of yourself a fortune a fuss a habit a joke a list a living a mess a mistake a move a note (of) a pass at a phone call a point a prediction a presentation a profit a promise a recovery a reservation a rude gesture a salad a sales call a sandwich a snack a sound a speech a statement a suggestion

a lie down a limp a lisp a listen a look a look at sth a massage a meal a meeting a moment a nap a nightmare a party a party/concert a passion for a plan a problem a quarrel a relationship a rest a ride a right a run a safe journey a salad a sandwich a scrub a sense of a shave a shower a smell a snack a snooze a stretch a stroke a swim a talk a taste a temperature a think a touch a try a walk a wash a wish a word a workout access (to) an accident	your duty your hair your makeup	a takeover bid a threat amends an agreement an allusion an appearance an appointment an arrangement an attempt an effort an enquiry an exception an excuse an impression an objection an observation an offer believe breakfast/ lunch/ dinner changes coffee contact ends meet food friends fun of someone furniture love money noise peace plans progress room sense someone angry/ mad/ happy/ sad sth easy sure the bed time tracks trouble up your mind war your bed
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an appointment with an argument an effect (on) an energy bar an event an exam an excuse an experience an ice-cream an idea an impact an interview an opportunity breakfast/lunch/dinner difficulty faith food fun fun/a good time lunch no education no fear patience room self-esteem sex skills some sugar/ milk sth to eat soul success sympathy the chance (to) time trouble work		
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Come	Go	Get
along back cheap clean about close complete with direct down early first in in last into sth. into view last late on time out over prepared right back second through to a compromise to a conclusion to a decision to a realization to a stop to a total of to an agreement to an end to decision to life to power to someone's rescue to terms with under attack up up with with without	abroad astray away back bad bald bankrupt blind by crazy deaf down fishing for for a drink in insane (idiom) mad/angry missing off on on a date on a picnic on a trip on foot online out out of business out of fashion overseas quiet sailing to the beach to war	a call a chance a cold a degree / diploma a job a joke a letter a life a shock a tan a ticket angry around away back behind changed divorced down dressed / undressed drunk fired frightened home hungry into trouble lost married nowhere old one's hair cut over permission pregnant ready for rid of sth started stuck (in a traffic jam) the impression the message the phone tired to sleep together up upset wet / dry / warm / cold worried

Take	Keep	Give
a bath a bite a bow a break a chance a course a decision a hike a long time a look a nap a photo a picture a rest a risk a seat a shower a sip a stand a survey a taxi a test a trip a vacation a walk advice an exam care care of class cover effect heart it apart it seriously lessons medicine my place notes part part in sth. the bus time your time	a commitment a custom a deadline a diary a habit a journal a log of sth a promise a record a reputation good/bad a routine a schedule a score a secret a standard a strategy going a system going a team together a timeline a tradition a workforce happy	a call a chance a choice a description a hand a headache a hug a kiss a lead a lecture a lift a performance a guess a ride a ring a speech a trip an advice an answer an example an explanation an idea an opinion birth credit evidence help hope information lessons news notice permission priority rise to somebody a call somebody a chance somebody a go somebody a lift the impression thought (to) way

Say	Ask	Tell
a few words a prayer a word anything for certain/sure goodbye hello maybe no more nothing please sth sorry thank you yes/no	a favour a question about after somebody for a change for a copy for a deadline for a discount for a donation for a favour for a follow-up for a job for a loan for a meeting for a quote for a raise for a recommendation for a reference for a refund for a reservation for a review for a sample for advice for clarification for directions for feedback for forgiveness for help for information for input for permission for sth for support if/whether one's opinion permission somebody out	a child a client a coach a colleague a customer a doctor sth a friend a parent sth a personal anecdote a secret a story a story about a stranger sth a tale a tale of a tall tale a teacher a person sth a traditional story a tragic story a true story an entertaining story an epic tale an inspiring story the difference the time the truth

Buy	Pay	Spend
sth as a gift	a bill	a day
sth as a souvenir	a deposit	a holiday
sth by the dozen	a fee	a month
sth by the kilogram	a fine	a night
sth by the pound	a penalty	a vacation
sth cheap	annually	a week
sth expensive	back a loan	a year
sth for a good price	bi-weekly	an evening
sth for a special occasion	by credit card	money
sth for oneself	by debit card	money on clothes
sth for someone	for a product	money on education
sth fresh	for a service	money on entertainment
sth imported	for a subscription	money on experiences
sth in bulk	for insurance	money on food
sth in person	for parking	money on healthcare
sth local	for shipping	money on housing
sth new	for something in full	money on luxuries
sth on credit	in advance	money on necessities
sth on impulse	in cash	money on travel
sth on sale	in person	money wisely
sth online	late	the weekend
sth organic	monthly	time
sth second hand	off a debt	time alone
sth used	on time	time indoors
sth with a credit card	online	time outdoors
sth with a debit card	taxes	time relaxing
sth with a gift card	weekly	time studying
sth with a purpose	with a bank transfer	time with family
sth with cash	with a check	time with friends
	with a money order	time working