



# Phrasal Verbs 16

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## Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

<b>speak up</b>	To speak louder.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: Can you <b>speak up</b> a little?</i>

<b>cut off</b>	To get disconnected while talking on the phone; to interrupt someone when they are speaking.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: Sorry I couldn't hear the rest of the story – I was <b>cut off</b>!</i>

<b>get over</b>	To recover from an illness or an unpleasant experience.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: It takes a long time to <b>get over</b> the death of a loved one.</i>

<b>get through</b>	To complete a task, usually a difficult one.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: We need to <b>get through</b> all these files by the end of the day.</i>

<b>hang on</b>	To wait for a short period of time.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: <b>Hang on!</b> There is someone at the door. I will call you later.</i>



## Exercise 2 – Reading

*Read the text aloud with your tutor.*

### Feeling Sick

When Bella woke up on Monday with a sore throat, she hoped that she would **get over** it in a day or two. But by Friday it was worse than ever. She had a lot of homework to **get through**, but she just couldn't focus. She tried to tell her mother, but was **cut off**, “Nothing is more important than your education.” How was she going to do her gym class feeling like this? When Bella arrived, the coach was talking to some of his star pupils. She cleared her throat weakly. “**Hang on**,” the coach said to the other students. He turned sternly to Bella. “**Speak up**,” he barked. Bella looked down at her feet as she spoke. “Coach, I've been sick all week, would it be all right if I sat this one out today?” He looked her up and down. “Of course, Bella. Go and see the nurse.” Finally, she could rest and recover from this awful flu.



## Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

*Fill in the blanks with the correct phrasal verbs.*

1. Megan will never \_\_\_\_\_ her flu if she doesn't get a chance to rest.
2. I went to a lot of rock concerts as a teenager, so you'll have to \_\_\_\_\_. My hearing isn't what it used to be.
3. Lisa found it difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ the death of her beloved dog.
4. This is going to be a long week, but if I just take it one day at a time, I'll be able to \_\_\_\_\_ it.
5. I'm right in the middle of something. If you could just \_\_\_\_\_ for a moment, I'll be right with you.
6. I have to \_\_\_\_\_ all this homework by tomorrow! How on earth will I do it?
7. When the doctor's office finally picked up the phone, Peter was \_\_\_\_\_. It was very frustrating.
8. It was a very large auditorium, so the professor had to \_\_\_\_\_, so all the students could hear him.



## Exercise 4 – Sentence Construction

*Create sentences using the following phrasal verbs.*

**Example:** speak up → Could you speak up a little, please? It's very noisy here today.

### Content:

1. speak up
2. cut off
3. get over
4. get through
5. hang on