



Phrasal Verbs 14

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Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

freeze over	To be covered in ice.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I can't wait to go skating when the pond freezes over.</i>

brighten up	To become brighter or make something become brighter.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I love your new white curtains. They really brightened up the room.</i>

cloud over	To become covered with dark clouds.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I don't think we should go out. It's starting to cloud over.</i>

clear up	To stop being cloudy or rainy.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I hope the weather clears up soon.</i>

cool down	To become colder or make something become colder.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: Let's meet a bit later in the evening when the air cools down.</i>



Exercise 2 – Reading

Read the text aloud with your tutor.

Not Ready for Winter

Stacy woke up early that morning, she had planned to spend the weekend with her parents in the countryside. She lifted the blinds and frowned; it was **clouded over**. The weather forecast did say that it would **cool down** over the weekend, but no one said anything about rain. "Clouds don't mean anything," she thought to herself, "it will probably **clear up** later, the sky will **brighten up** and the weekend will be nice and sunny." Stacy got dressed and left the apartment, trying to think positively. But, as she stepped outside all the positive thoughts disappeared; they got blown away with a gust of strong, cold wind. It was freezing. She approached her car and saw that even her windshield had **frozen over** during the night. Stacy sighed, she was still not ready for winter. She texted her parents, saying that something had come up, and went back to her warm bed.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrasal verbs.

1. The sky is expected to _____ by 3 am, so we will be able to go stargazing.
2. The lake _____. Now the children can skate!
3. Amy opened the blinds and the sunshine _____ the room.
4. I don't want to walk in the rain. We can go out a bit later, when it _____.
5. The pie is still too hot to eat. You'll have to wait until it _____ a bit.
6. The clouds have finally disappeared and now the sky is starting to _____.
7. It's beginning to _____, I don't think we should go to the beach.
8. Nothing will help you _____ on a hot summer day like a glass of fresh lemonade.



Exercise 4 – Sentence Construction

Create sentences using the following phrasal verbs.

Example: freeze over → I like it more in winter, when it freezes over and everything's covered in snow.

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