



Phrasal Verbs 37

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Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

jump at	To eagerly accept an opportunity.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I would jump at the chance to meet my idol.</i>

opt for	To choose something from a few, different options.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I opted for the theater instead of the opera last night.</i>

vamp up	To improve something and make it more attractive.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: These simple tips will help you vamp up your living room.</i>

go along with	To accept or agree with something.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: I can't go along with her decision to sell the painting.</i>

rule out	To decide that something is not possible, suitable, etc.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: We can rule out getting there on time.</i>



Exercise 2 – Reading

Read the text aloud with your tutor.

Time for a Makeover

Carol decided to **vamp up** her living room as it looked old and dull. She asked her friend Mona, an interior decorator, to help her out and Mona **jumped at** the opportunity. Carol was very indecisive in the beginning; she simply didn't know what she wanted. Therefore, Mona suggested they start with what Carol didn't want. She showed her a variety of styles and Carol started **ruling out** the ones she didn't like. Eventually, she **opted for** the bright and warm Scandinavian style. Mona suggested using soft, pastel colors for the walls, and Carol decided to **go along with** that idea. She let Mona take care of everything else, and once it was done, Carol couldn't have been happier with the new look of her room.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrasal verbs.

1. When she invited me to go to the dance with her, naturally, I _____ the opportunity.
2. We can't _____ the possibility of finding more survivors at this moment.
3. Everyone came up with good ideas, but I think I will _____ Mark's suggestion.
4. Let's _____ this room with some bright colors!
5. I have _____ the possibility of going to college because it's too expensive.
6. I need to _____ my wardrobe with some new trendy clothes.
7. Will you _____ the blue curtains or the red ones?
8. I _____ a smaller wedding instead of a big one.



Exercise 4 – Sentence Construction

Create sentences using the following phrasal verbs.

Example: jump at → I'd always jump at the chance to go shopping.

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