

Phrasal Verbs 3

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Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

call around	To call many people in order to get some information.
[phrasal verb]	Ex: The police are calling around in order to find more information.
catch up	To find out about what has happened while you were away or during the time you haven't seen someone.
[phrasal verb]	Ex: We haven't seen each other in a long time, so we spent all day catching up.
give in	To finally agree to what somebody wants after refusing it for some time.
[phrasal verb]	Ex: The board finally gave in and promised her the salary she had demanded.
show off	To show or talk about something one is proud of.
[phrasal verb]	Ex: Many bodybuilders like to show off their muscles.
work out	To prove to be effective or successful.
[phrasal verb]	Ex: I was not sure about your plan, but I'm really glad it worked out.



Exercise 2 – Reading

Read the text aloud with your tutor.

Better Days Are Coming

Peter was **catching up** with his friend Dave, whom he hasn't seen in a while. He was expecting they would spend some good quality time together, but instead, during all that time Dave kept **showing off** and talking about his new job and the new car. After that, Peter decided it was about time he found a good job in his own field of work. So, he quit his job at the restaurant and started **calling around** companies to see if there were any vacancies. After a while, as he hadn't had any luck in finding a new job, the manager of the restaurant where he used to work started convincing him to get back to his old job. However, Peter didn't want to **give in** this time. He knew that if he kept trying, things would **work out** eventually.



Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrasal verbs.

1. You're finally back! We have a lot of to do!
2. He to find out what has been going on at work while he was away.
3. Mike is all the brand new tools he will use for the construction project
4. I don't think David's plan will
5. The boy is his dancing moves to his friends.
6. My father finally and bought me a new car.
7. He's been to find out where the conference will be held.
8. Don't worry about it too much, I'm sure things will in the end.



Exercise 4 – Sentence Construction

Create sentences using the following phrasal verbs.

Example: call around \rightarrow He called around and gathered the information.

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