



# Phrasal Verbs 33

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## Exercise 1 – Vocabulary

<b>sign up</b>	To agree to become involved in an organization, event, etc.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: They <b>signed up</b> for a yoga class at the gym.</i>

<b>bring around</b>	To make someone change their mind or view on something.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: It took me a long time to <b>bring her around</b> to my way of thinking.</i>

<b>knock back</b>	To cost a lot of money.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: Our holiday <b>knocked us back</b> around 10 grand.</i>

<b>stick by</b>	To do as one promised or planned.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: He always <b>sticks by</b> his promises no matter what.</i>

<b>answer for</b>	To be held responsible.
[phrasal verb]	<i>Ex: The government should <b>answer for</b> their incompetence.</i>



## Exercise 2 – Reading

*Read the text aloud with your tutor.*

### Acting Like a Grown-up

Ryan crashed his father's car this spring and he felt really bad about it. Luckily, no one got injured in the accident, but Ryan knew that the car repairs had **knocked** his parents **back** several thousand dollars. He decided to **sign up** for a summer job and save enough money to cover the costs of the repairs. His parents tried to **bring** him **around** and said that he didn't have to do that; he did need to focus on studying after all. Ryan **stuck by** his decision though. He was the one who caused the problem and he would be the one to **answer for** it. Although his parents objected, they were proud to see that their son had grown into such a determined and responsible man.



## Exercise 3 – Fill in the Blanks

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

1. At first, he was against the idea, but I managed to \_\_\_\_\_ (him).
2. Lisa decided to \_\_\_\_\_ for a foreign exchange program at her university.
3. His new boat \_\_\_\_\_ (him) a couple of thousand dollars.
4. He hasn't made up his mind yet, but I hope I can \_\_\_\_\_ (him).
5. When your mother comes back, you will have to \_\_\_\_\_ your behavior!.
6. You will \_\_\_\_\_ any goods that get damaged.
7. We all tried to talk him out of it, but he \_\_\_\_\_ his decision to join the competition.
8. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ for the school soccer team this year?



## Exercise 4 – Sentence Construction

*Create sentences using the following phrasal verbs.*

**Example:** sign up → They signed up for a shopping account online.

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