

A

**go up / come up / walk up (to ...)** = *approach*

- ☐ A man **came up to** me in the street and asked me for money.

**catch up (with somebody), catch somebody up** = *move faster than somebody in front of you so that you reach them*

- ☐ I'm not ready to go yet. You go on and I'll **catch up with** you / I'll **catch you up**.

**keep up (with somebody)** = *continue at the same speed or level*

- ☐ You're walking too fast. I can't **keep up (with you)**.  
☐ You're doing well. **Keep it up!**

B

**set up** an organisation, a company, a business, a system, a website etc. = *start it*

- ☐ The government has **set up** a committee to investigate the problem.

**take up** a hobby, a sport, an activity etc. = *start doing it*

- ☐ Laura **took up** photography a few years ago. She takes really good pictures.

**fix up** a meeting etc. = *arrange it*

- ☐ We've **fixed up** a meeting for next Monday.

C

**grow up** = *become an adult*

- ☐ Ann was born in Hong Kong but **grew up** in Australia.

**bring up** a child = *raise, look after a child*

- ☐ Her parents died when she was a child and she was **brought up** by her grandparents.

D

**clean up / clear up / tidy up** something = *make it clean, tidy etc.*

- ☐ Look at this mess! Who's going to **tidy up?** (or **tidy it up**)

**wash up** = *wash the plates, dishes etc. after a meal*

- ☐ I hate **washing up**. (or I hate **doing the washing-up**.)

E

**end up** somewhere, **end up** doing something etc.

- ☐ There was a fight in the street and three men **ended up** in hospital. (= that's what happened to these men in the end)  
☐ I couldn't find a hotel and **ended up** sleeping on a bench at the station. (= that's what happened to me in the end)

**give up** = *stop trying*, **give something up** = *stop doing it*

- ☐ Don't **give up**. Keep trying!  
☐ Sue got bored with her job and decided to **give it up**. (= stop doing it)

**make up** something, be **made up of** something

- ☐ Children under 16 **make up** half the population of the city. (= half the population are children under 16)  
☐ Air is **made up** mainly **of** nitrogen and oxygen. (= Air consists of ...)

**take up** space or time = *use space or time*

- ☐ Most of the space in the room was **taken up** by a large table.

**turn up / show up** = *arrive, appear*

- ☐ We arranged to meet David last night, but he didn't **turn up**.

**use something up** = *use all of it so that nothing is left*

- ☐ I'm going to make some soup. We have a lot of vegetables and I want to **use them up**.