

+ adverb/preposition] Ćto **press** something onto a surface and rub it with a strong twisting movement Ćgrind something into something ĆHe dropped a cigar butt and ground it into the carpet with his heel. ĆHe ground out his cigarette on the window ledge. Ćb) [intransitive always + adverb/preposition] Ćto press hard against something Ćas these plates (=large areas of land) grind against each other Ćto rub your upper and lower teeth together, making a noise Ćif a vehicle grinds to a halt, it stops gradually: ĆTraffic ground to a halt as it approached the accident site. Ćif a country, organization, or process grinds to a halt, its activity or the process gradually stops: ĆAfter two days the talks had ground to a halt. Ćto perform a special movement in skateboarding or rollerblading, which involves moving sideways along the edge of something, so that the bar connecting the wheels of the skateboard or rollerblade presses hard against the edge Ćperform a movement ĆâlĶ have an axe to grindat axel (4) Ćgrind somebody âĶ downphrasal verb ĆI've never let male colleagues grind me down. Ćgrind onphrasal verb ĆAs the negotiations grind on, time is passing towards the deadline. Ć