

UNIT 31

Phrasal verbs with *up*

blow bottle break bring build call catch cheer
clear crop cut draw dress eat end fill fix
flare get give go grow hang hurry hold keep
liven look make own pick pull put seal settle
shoot show shut speak split stay stir sum take
tie turn

Up often has the meaning of an upward movement, or of approaching, completing or increasing.

A Match each phrasal verb with the correct definition. (There may be other possible definitions.)

- 1 stir up
- 2 sum up
- 3 own up
- 4 draw up
- 5 hang up
- 6 call up
- 7 liven up
- 8 dress up
- 9 settle up
- 10 speak up
- 11 stay up
- 12 flare up

- A confess, admit
- B come to a stop (of a vehicle)
- C summon for military service, conscript
- D put on smart clothes
- E try to cause (trouble)
- F raise your voice
- G not go to bed early
- H summarise
- I make more lively
- J suddenly become angry
- K pay all that is owed
- L finish a phone call

B Rewrite the sentences, using a phrasal verb with **up**, to produce the opposite meaning of the words in italics. Choose from the verbs in the box above.

- 1 His visit certainly *depressed me*.
- 2 Have you *let the dog loose*?
- 3 The child *left her food untouched*.
- 4 Jeremy tends to *express his emotions openly*.
- 5 When did Ramon and Anna *start their relationship*?
- 6 He was determined to *continue* smoking.
- 7 My uncle usually *goes to bed* at 9 o'clock.
- 8 The officer *emptied* his wine glass.
- 9 The lawyer *opened* the envelope with a flourish.
- 10 As soon as controls were lifted, prices *came down*.
- 11 Ted *stopped* playing tennis when he was sixty.
- 12 I'll *drop you off* at seven o'clock.

C Use verbs from the box on page 94 to complete the sentences.

- 1 She quickly up the basics of the language.
- 2 You'll have to up your strength by eating properly.
- 3 Be quiet! Just up!
- 4 How long can you up this pretence?
- 5 I'll you up with a room. Leave it to me.
- 6 The carpet was up into three smaller pieces.
- 7 An accident up the flow of traffic in the town centre.
- 8 Guy Fawkes and his fellow-conspirators did not succeed in up the Houses of Parliament.
- 9 The Brontë sisters all up in Yorkshire.
- 10 First Sam worked in Canada, then Florida, but he finally up in France.
- 11 Come on! up, or we'll be late!
- 12 I waited for ages, but my cousin never up.

D Complete each sentence with a phrase from box A followed by a phrase from box B. Do not use any phrase more than once.

A

clear up
put you up
made up,
crop up
pulled up
look Lorenzo up
brought him up
shot up

B

last month.
if you need to stay overnight.
if you ask me.
his room before doing his homework.
on her farm in Cornwall.
in front of the hotel.
if we pass through Rome.
at the meeting.

- 1 We should _____
- 2 The taxi _____
- 3 The boy was told to _____
- 4 Tom's grandmother _____
- 5 Prices simply _____
- 6 I didn't expect that topic to _____
- 7 I can easily _____
- 8 The story was obviously _____