



Separable and Inseparable Phrasal Verbs – Practice Worksheet (B2–C1)

Instructions: Complete all exercises. Pay special attention to word order, pronoun placement, and whether the phrasal verb is separable or inseparable.

Exercise A – Identify the Type

Write S (Separable) or I (Inseparable) next to each phrasal verb.

1. turn off _____
2. look after _____
3. bring up _____
4. run into _____
5. call off _____
6. deal with _____
7. fill in _____
8. get over _____
9. put up with _____
10. work out _____

Exercise B – Correct the Mistakes

1. She looked the children after.
2. Turn off it immediately.
3. I ran my teacher into yesterday.
4. He filled the form out it.
5. She applied the job for.
6. They brought the problem up it.
7. We dealt the issue with quickly.
8. He gave up it last year.
9. She put the jacket on it.
10. I'm looking my glasses for.

Exercise C – Pronoun Practice

1. Turn off the light. → Turn _____ off.
2. Pick up the phone. → Pick _____ up.
3. Call off the meeting. → Call _____ off.
4. Fill in the form. → Fill _____ in.
5. Bring up the issue. → Bring _____ up.
6. Take off your shoes. → Take _____ off.
7. Work out the answer. → Work _____ out.
8. Look after the baby. → Look after _____.
9. Deal with the complaint. → Deal with _____.
10. Get over the illness. → Get over _____.

Exercise D – Sentence Transformation

1. She cancelled the meeting. → She _____ the meeting.
2. He mentioned the problem. → He _____ the problem.
3. We discovered the truth. → We _____ the truth.
4. She tolerated the noise. → She _____ the noise.
5. They postponed the event. → They _____ the event.
6. I encountered difficulties. → I _____ difficulties.
7. He removed his coat. → He _____ his coat.
8. She submitted her assignment. → She _____ her assignment.
9. We solved the issue. → We _____ the issue.
10. She takes care of her sister. → She _____ her sister.

Exercise E – Multiple Choice

1. She turned _____ the lights before leaving.
a) off b) it off c) off it
2. I ran _____ an old friend yesterday.
a) into b) it into c) into it
3. Please fill _____ the form.
a) in b) it in c) in it
4. He got _____ the illness quickly.
a) over b) it over c) over it
5. They called _____ the meeting.
a) off b) it off c) off it
6. She put _____ with the noise.
a) up b) it up c) up it
7. He worked _____ the solution.
a) out b) it out c) out it

8. She applied _____ the job.

- a) for b) it for c) for it

9. Take _____ your shoes.

- a) off b) them off c) off them

10. We ran _____ of time.

- a) out b) it out c) out it

Answer Key

Exercise A Answers

1. S
2. I
3. S
4. I
5. S
6. I
7. S
8. I
9. I
10. S

Exercise B Answers

1. She looked after the children.
2. Turn it off immediately.
3. I ran into my teacher yesterday.
4. He filled it out.
5. She applied for the job.
6. They brought it up.
7. We dealt with the issue quickly.
8. He gave it up last year.
9. She put it on.
10. I'm looking for my glasses.

Exercise C Answers

1. it
2. it
3. it
4. it
5. it
6. them
7. it
8. it

9. it
10. it

Exercise D Answers

1. called off
2. brought up
3. found out
4. put up with
5. put off
6. ran into
7. took off
8. handed in
9. worked out
10. looks after

Exercise E Answers

1. a
2. a
3. a
4. a
5. a
6. a
7. a
8. a
9. a
10. a

Answer Key

Exercise 1

1. Dangling (Who was walking? Not the paintings.)
2. Misplaced ("Nearly" suggests she didn't drive.)
3. Dangling (Was the match covered in mud?)
4. Misplaced (Are the children in a small box?)

5. Dangling (Did the manager complete the report?)

Exercise 2 (Sample Answers)

1. Running late for work, she missed the bus.
2. She cleaned the house almost every day.
3. After reading the book, I found the film disappointing.
4. Worn out from the journey, we found the hotel room inviting.
5. He served drinks on silver trays to the guests.

Exercise 3 (Sample Answers)

1. The film was surprisingly good despite its low budget.
2. She answered the question confidently and clearly.
3. They live in a charming cottage by the sea.
4. He spoke rather confidently during the meeting.
5. The weather changed quite suddenly.

Challenge Task (Sample Answers)

1. Exhausted, she went to bed early.

2. Having finished the project, he felt relieved.
3. Covered in frost, the garden looked magical.
4. Walking along the coast, we enjoyed the view.
5. Despite facing criticism, the company continued its expansion.