

# Talk a Lot

## Hotel

### 20 Common English Phrasal Verbs

1. book in ---	formally arrive	2. wait on ---	serve food and drink
3. splash out ---	spend a lot of money	4. eat out ---	have a meal in a restaurant
5. lug around ---	carry sth heavy from place to place	6. tidy up ---	make a place more organised
7. skive off ---	avoid work or duties	8. sign up ---	make a commitment to do sth
9. chill out ---	relax	10. throw up ---	vomit
11. pencil in ---	make a provisional booking	12. pig out ---	eat a lot in a short time
13. turf out ---	force sby to leave	14. gulp down ---	eat or drink sth quickly
15. set up ---	prepare, make ready; organise	16. fork out ---	pay for sth unwillingly
17. rip off ---	exploit for money	18. work out ---	calculate; do exercise
19. look after ---	be responsible for	20. check out ---	formally leave after a stay

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### English Phrasal Verbs – Matching Game

Match each sentence below with one of the phrasal verbs from this unit. Change forms where necessary:



We've _____ you _____ for the last week in May. Let me know when you want to make a firm [definite] booking.
The lads were _____ of the nightclub for causing some aggro.
After we'd _____, I realised that I'd left my watch in the hotel fitness suite!
After we _____, Harold took our cases up to our room.
Polly was _____ all night due to a bad case of food poisoning.
The bar assistant _____ the bill quickly and gave it to the punters.
I came to this hotel just to _____ and unwind.
I _____ my dinner quickly because I was already late for my shift.
I don't like _____ customers who can't decide what to order.
We'll have to _____ the laptop and digital projector in the conference room.
On holiday we _____ almost every night.
We've _____ for two excursions so far.
I have _____ a lot of money on this stay – and I intend to get value for money!
We _____ on a week in a hotel in the south of France.
We totally _____ last night on ice cream and cake!
Don't _____ the room too much – the maid will do it.
We were _____, because the boat trip should've only cost about eight pounds each, not twenty.
Adam was _____ – having a fag [cigarette] round the corner, where the bar manager couldn't see him.
We can _____ any valuables you may have, if you just take them to the reception.
I don't want to _____ these suitcases all day!

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## Hotel – English Phrasal Verbs Activities

This is a handy table that you could use to make a quick quiz for students after they have learned the meanings, e.g. “Which phrasal verb is related to suitcases?” Or, “Which action could a guest do at a restaurant?” Or, guess the preposition linking phrasal verb and place, or item, e.g. “We booked in [at]our hotel.” Or, encourage students to make sentences (positive, negative, and question forms) by linking content words together using function words, e.g. “The **hotel worker** was **gulping down** his **lunch** in the **staff canteen**.” They could also add a time phrase at the end, e.g. “...in the morning.” etc.

#	subject (person)	p/verb*	item e.g.	place e.g.
1.	I, you, he, she, it, we, they, etc.	<b>book in</b>	with our order number	at our hotel / at the airport
2.		<b>wait on</b>	a customer / a guest	in a restaurant
3.		<b>splash out</b>	a luxury holiday	at the travel agent's
4.		<b>eat out</b>	a meal	at a restaurant
5.		<b>lug around</b>	a heavy suitcase	from the car to the lobby
6.		<b>tidy up</b>	a messy room	upstairs / on the third floor
7.		<b>skive off</b>	work or school	at home / in the park
8.		<b>sign up</b>	for a conference	at reception / online
9.		<b>chill out</b>	with friends	on the beach
10.		<b>throw up</b>	in the sink	at my parents' house
11.	a person or thing, e.g.  the hotel worker, a guest, Tom the bouncer, a newlywed couple, my brother, our plans, etc	<b>pencil in</b>	the diary / the planner	at reception / in the office
12.		<b>pig out</b>	on pizza and crisps	in the living room / upstairs
13.		<b>turf out</b>	of a nightclub	through the door
14.		<b>gulp down</b>	their lunch / a drink	in the staff canteen
15.		<b>set up</b>	the digital projector	in the conference room
16.		<b>fork out</b>	for my train fare	at the ticket office
17.		<b>rip off</b>	for the meeting	at the conference centre
18.		<b>work out</b>	the night's takings	at the bar
19.		<b>look after</b>	our valuables	in the safe
20.		<b>check out</b>	of their hotel	at the reception desk

\* Choose any verb form, e.g. Present Perfect Continuous, Third Conditional, Future Perfect, etc.

### Topic Questions

Choose the correct phrasal verb, and make a sentence about... a) yourself, b) a friend:

- making an expensive purchase.
- telling somebody to make their room less messy.
- going to a restaurant or fast food place.
- taking the day off work without permission.
- eating a lot in a short space of time.
- taking some heavy suitcases, bags, or items from one place to another.
- charging customers double the normal price for items in the minibar.
- making a room ready for a conference.
- paying my son's bills when I would rather he got a job and paid them himself.
- getting thrown out of a nightclub.
- what happens when I first arrive at a hotel, bed and breakfast, or guest house.
- lying by the pool while the sun kisses my skin and I sip a strawberry smoothie.