

## Grammar – Phrasal Verbs

### Practice 20 Phrasal Verbs with GO

A. Match the phrasal verbs to their meanings, e.g. GO IN = enter:

<i>Phrasal Verb:</i>	<i>Definition:</i>
1. GO AFTER	a) rehearse
2. GO AGAINST	b) attend
3. GO AHEAD	c) happen
4. GO ALONG	d) face
5. GO AWAY	e) collapse
6. GO BACK	f) pursue
7. GO BEFORE	g) socialise
8. GO BY	h) choose
9. GO DOWN	i) rise
10. GO FOR	j) accept
11. GO IN	k) enter
12. GO OFF	l) leave
13. GO ON	m) examine
14. GO OUT	n) explode
15. GO OVER	o) oppose
16. GO THROUGH	p) pass
17. GO UNDER	q) lack
18. GO UP	r) start
19. GO WITH	s) return
20. GO WITHOUT	t) continue

B. Complete each sentence with a particle:

AFTER	AWAY	DOWN	ON	UNDER
AGAINST	BACK	FOR	OUT	UP
AHEAD	BEFORE	IN	OVER	WITH
ALONG	BY	OFF	THROUGH	WITHOUT

1. We WENT \_\_\_\_\_ to the park bench where the man had been sitting but he'd gone.
2. 'Have you decided, madam, sir?' 'I'll have the lamb.' 'And I'm gonna GO \_\_\_\_\_ the beef.'
3. 'Though we weren't rich, our parents always made sure that we never WENT \_\_\_\_\_.'
4. 'I've heard they're planning another bank robbery.' 'When d'you think it'll GO \_\_\_\_\_?'
5. 'You GO \_\_\_\_\_ first, and I'll follow in a minute.'
6. 'The company WENT \_\_\_\_\_ due to lack of funding. Sad but true.'
7. 'Should I show you the first slide?' 'Yes, please GO \_\_\_\_\_.'
8. 'Would you like me to finish talking?' 'No, do GO \_\_\_\_\_.'
9. 'What time do you GO \_\_\_\_\_ the judge on Friday?' 'High noon.'
10. This manifesto GOES \_\_\_\_\_ all my principles – sorry!
11. 'Come on! Let's go to a few clubs. We haven't BEEN \_\_\_\_\_ for ages!'
12. 'As the years GO \_\_\_\_\_ I had hoped you would've mellowed; but no.'
13. The government minister spent the whole morning GOING \_\_\_\_\_ the reports.
14. 'Denise is playing her debut gig at the 100 Club tonight. Thought about GOING \_\_\_\_\_.'
15. 'Let's just GO \_\_\_\_\_ the scene one more time. From the top.'
16. Some people GO \_\_\_\_\_ fame and money, while others try to help others.
17. The number of people purchasing electric cars has GONE \_\_\_\_\_ in recent years.
18. Brian wished his annoying little sister would GO \_\_\_\_\_.
19. The bomb WENT \_\_\_\_\_ at approximately quarter to four.
20. 'Have you considered our proposal?' 'Yes, but we're going to GO \_\_\_\_\_ a different offer.'

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Answers:

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|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 1. | f) | 8.  | p) | 15. | m) |
| 2. | o) | 9.  | c) | 16. | a) |
| 3. | r) | 10. | h) | 17. | e) |
| 4. | b) | 11. | k) | 18. | i) |
| 5. | l) | 12. | n) | 19. | j) |
| 6. | s) | 13. | t) | 20. | q) |
| 7. | d) | 14. | g) |     |    |

B.

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|----|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|
| 1. | back    | 8.  | on      | 15. | through |
| 2. | for     | 9.  | before  | 16. | after   |
| 3. | without | 10. | against | 17. | up      |
| 4. | down    | 11. | out     | 18. | away    |
| 5. | in      | 12. | by      | 19. | off     |
| 6. | under   | 13. | over    | 20. | with    |
| 7. | ahead   | 14. | along   |     |         |

Ideas for additional activities (an online dictionary could help):

- SS (students) have a general discussion about phrasal verbs, e.g. a) What are they? b) When do we use them? c) How many do you know? d) Were/are phrasal verbs taught in your school? e) Do you learn phrasal verbs regularly and systematically? If not, why not? e) How do you learn phrasal verbs? f) Have you ever tried an app for learning phrasal verbs? Why? / Why not? ...and so on.
- SS translate each phrasal verb and definition into their L1.
- SS write one or more sentence using each phrasal verb.
- SS write a dialogue including some or all of the phrasal verbs.
- SS work in pairs. One describes or draws a phrasal verb while the other guesses it. Then change roles.
- SS discuss the effect of using the definition instead of the phrasal verb. For example, it would be more natural to say: 'You go in first' rather than: 'You enter first'.
- SS find and discuss phrasal verbs that have **two** particles after GO, e.g.

go out with = date  
go up to = approach

- SS discuss the fact that some of the phrasal verbs have more than one meaning. For example:

go down = happen, but also means descend: The sun went down and we went to bed.  
go on = continue, but also means happen: What is going on here?

...and so on. How does this affect the learning process?