

PHRASAL VERBS

Ils sont très importants pour les questions de type 4 (textes à trous sans propositions de réponse) du Linguaskill.

1. **blow up** - exploser, gonfler
1) to explode or cause to explode
Ex: The car's engine blew up just before the finishing line.
2) to make bigger (balloons, photos, etc.)
Ex: I need to blow the tyres up on my bike.
2. **break down** - tomber en panne
to stop functioning (for a car or machine)
Ex: Our car broke down in the middle of a snow storm.
3. **bring up** - mentionner, soulever
1) to mention or introduce into a conversation
Ex: You should bring that point up at the meeting.
2) (children) to raise, educate
Ex: I was brought up in England.
4. **call off** - annuler
to cancel
Ex: The company sports day has been called off because of the weather.
5. **carry on** - continuer
to continue
Ex: Don't let me interrupt you. Carry on with your explanation.
6. **carry out** - réaliser
to do
Ex: They are carrying out a study into the causes of global warming.
7. **catch up with** - rattraper, rejoindre
to make up lost time
8. **come across** - tomber sur, trouver par hasard
to find or meet something or someone by chance
Ex: I came across an old friend of yours in the street yesterday.
9. **come up with** - proposer, suggérer
(of an idea) to think of and suggest
Ex: He's come up with a solution to our problem.
10. **cut down on** - réduire sa consommation
to do less of something
Ex: The doctor says I have to cut down on drinking and smoking.
11. **do away with** - en finir avec, se débarrasser de
to get rid of something or stop using something
Ex: Computerization has done away with a lot of paperwork.
12. **draw up** - dresser, rédiger
to formulate and write a formal document
Ex: We'll sign the new contract as soon as it is drawn up.
13. **drop by** - faire un saut chez quelqu'un, passer

to visit someone informally, without an appointment
Ex: *I'll drop by your office this afternoon.*

14. **fall out** - se brouiller, tomber
1) to argue or stop being friendly with someone
Ex: *He left home after falling out with his parents.*
2) to lose (hair, tooth)
Ex: *My hair is falling out.*
15. **find out** - découvrir, se renseigner
to discover something you didn't know
Ex: *I'm finding out about the new technology by surfing the internet.*
16. **get along (or on) with** - bien s'entendre
to have good relations with
Ex: *The problem is that I don't really get along/on with the people I work with.*
17. **get away with** - sortir indemne (sans éprouver de perte)
to do something without being noticed or punished
Ex: *He's always doing something wrong and is never caught - he gets away with murder (idiomatic expression).*
18. **get over** - se remettre, tourner la page
to recover from a trauma or an illness
Ex: *It took me months to get over the virus.*
19. **get round to** - trouver le temps de
to find the time to do something
Ex: *I'll clean my desk when I get round to it.*
20. **give in** - renoncer, donner sa langue au chat
to finally agree to something after refusing; to surrender
Ex: *After refusing to accept her demands for many months, he finally gave in.*
21. **give up** - renoncer, se dessaisir de
to stop, to stop owning or using something
Ex: *They have given up all hope of finding survivors of the disaster.*
22. **go over** - examiner, vérifier
to check
Ex: *Could you go over the figures with me one last time?*
23. **hold on** - tenir le coup, patienter
to wait
Ex: *Hold on, I'll just check my diary.*
24. **hold up** - bloquer, retarder ; braquer
1) to delay
Ex: *I'll be late: I'm held up in traffic.*
2) to rob
The robbers held up the bank.
25. **keep up with** - suivre, se maintenir au niveau de
to stay at the same speed as
Ex: *It's not always easy to keep up with your competitors.*
26. **lay off** - licencier pour des raisons économiques
to dismiss for economic reasons
Ex: *The automobile manufacturer is going to lay off 220 people at their factory.*
27. **let down** - décevoir, abandonner
to disappoint, fail to help
Ex: *"Don't let me down..." (Beatles song).*

28. **look forward to (+ing)** - attendre avec impatience
to think about a future event with pleasure
Ex: We are looking forward to your visit.
29. **look up** - chercher (dans l'annuaire, etc.)
to find in a list or reference book
Ex: If you don't know the word, look it up in a dictionary.
30. **make out** - discerner, voir
to distinguish, manage to see
Ex: I could just about make out the number of the car as it drove away.
31. **make up** - inventer, fabriquer
to invent (often in order to deceive)
Ex: That can't be true, you must have made it up!
32. **make up for** - rattraper, combler
to compensate
Ex: She went more quickly at the end of her speech to make up for lost time.
33. **move in/move out** - emménager, s'installer/déménager
to move belongings into/out of an apartment or house; to begin to live in/to leave a home
Ex: I moved into my new house last month/ My roommate told me he's moving out as soon as he finds a new place.
34. **pick up** - ramasser, décrocher (téléphone), remonter, aller chercher en voiture
to take something from the ground; to collect someone by car; to answer a telephone; to improve or increase (business)
Ex: he picked up the note from the floor; I'll pick you up at the station; Pick up the phone, please!; business is picking up.
35. **pull over** - se ranger, garer sur le côté
(of a vehicle) to move to the side of the road
Ex: The police told him to pull over and get out of his car.
36. **put off** - reporter
to postpone
Ex: The meeting has been put off until next Tuesday.
37. **put up** - héberger
to give someone a place to stay
Ex: Forget the hotel, I'll put you up next time you come to London.
38. **put up with** - tolérer, supporter
to tolerate
Ex: The conditions are awful, but we'll just have to put up with them for now.
39. **run into** - tomber sur, rencontrer par hasard
to meet someone by chance (cf: "come across")
Ex: Guess who I ran into this morning... your ex-husband!
40. **run out of** - s'épuiser, ne plus en avoir
to have no more of something (petrol, ink, etc.)
Ex: We're running out of petrol - we'll have to stop at the next service station.
41. **set off** - partir, déclencher
1) to start a journey
Ex: We'll have set off very early
2) to trigger, cause to explode
Ex: If you touch that you'll set off the alarm.
42. **set up** - établir, fonder
to start or establish a firm or something

Ex: a fund was launched to set up a memorial for those who died.

43. **show off** - frimer, crâner
to act in a very extravagant way
Ex: He loves to show off in front of the girls.
44. **show up (=turn up)** - arriver, se pointer
to arrive
Ex: She finally showed up drunk and about 2 hours late.
45. **sort out** - régler, organiser
organize or resolve a problem
Ex: We'll sort out the sleeping arrangements later this evening.
46. **stand out** - se démarquer
to be easily visible, to be more important
Ex: This student stands out from the rest because of her excellent level of English.
47. **step down** - démissionner
to resign from a post
Ex: After severe criticism from shareholders, the CEO Mr Clark has decided to step down.
48. **turn (a)round** - redresser, renverser la situation
to make something that is failing successful
Ex: In just one year he has managed to turn the company around and it is now thriving.
49. **turn down** - rejeter, refuser
to refuse
Ex: I'm afraid I'm going to have to turn down your offer.
50. **work out** - résoudre ; bien finir ; faire de la musculation
1) to find the answer to a problem
Ex: I'll work out how to do it.
2) to finish well
Ex: It worked out fine in the end.
3) to exercise in a gym
Ex: I work out at my gym twice a week.