

Phrasal Verb 101: Lesson 17 G

Common phrasal verbs, with meanings and examples. Phrasal verbs are usually two-word phrases consisting of **verb + adverb** or **verb + preposition**. Think of them as you would any other English vocabulary. Study them as you come across them, rather than trying to memorize many at once.



Verb	Meaning	Example
give something back	return a borrowed item	I have to give these skates back to Franz before his hockey game.
give in	reluctantly stop fighting or arguing	My boyfriend didn't want to go to the ballet, but he finally gave in .

give <i>something</i> out	give to many people (usually at no cost)	They were giving out free perfume samples at the department store.
give <i>something</i> up	quit a habit	I am giving up smoking as of January 1st.
give up	stop trying	My maths homework was too difficult so I gave up .
go after <i>someone</i>	follow someone	My brother tried to go after the thief in his car.