**30 Common Phrasal Verbs**

**1 To call around**

To contact multiple people.

**Example:**Roy *called around* to find a nearby mechanic.

**2 To call [x] off**

To cancel.

**Example:**We *called* the party *off*. **or** We *called off* the party.

**3 To check [x] out**

To verify a person or thing. When regarding a person, this phrase can also be flirtatious.

**Example:**I’ll *check* the contract *out.***or**I’ll *check out* the contract.

**4 To clean [x] up**

To clean a general area.

**Example:**John *cleaned* the living room *up*. **or** John *cleaned up* the living room.

**5 To dive into**

To occupy oneself with something.

**Example:**I’ll *dive into* that new TV show later tonight.

**6 To dress up**

To wear nice clothes.

**Example:**Abed *dressed up* for the presentation.

**7 To end up**

To eventually become a certain way, or find oneself in a situation.

**Example:**He *ended up* taking the job.

**8 To fill [x] up**

To fill something completely.

**Example:** Bruce *filled* his wine glass *up*. **or**Bruce *filled up* his wine glass.

**9 To find out**

To discover.

**Example:**Let me know when you *find out* the answer.

**10 To get [x] back**

To have something returned.

**Example:**Rodger *got* his pencil *back* from Lenny. **or**Rodger *got back* his pencil from Lenny.

**11 To get away with**

To escape punishment or some other unpleasantness.

**Example:**Shirley *got away with* cheating on the test.

**12 To get along**

To be friendly with one another.

**Example:**Franny *gets along* with Kristin.

**13 To give [x] away**

To donate something or to give it up for free.

**Example:**Mindy *gave* her prized doll collection *away*. **or**Mindy *gave away* her prized doll collection.

**14 To give up**

To accept defeat.

**Example:**Carin felt like *giving up*.

**15 To give [x] up**

To cease consuming or doing something, often a habit.

**Example:**Merlin *gave* chocolate *up* **or** Merlin *gave up* chocolate.

**16 To go over**

To review.

**Example:**Marie *went over* the writing assignment.

**17 To leave [x] out**

To omit.

**Example:**Rosie *left* the graph *out* of the presentation. **or**Rosie *left out* the graph from the presentation.

**18 To let [x] down**

To disappoint somebody.

**Example:**Sally *let* Mark *down* when she showed up late.

**19 To look after**

To take care of someone or something.

**Example:**Thank you for *looking after*me when I was sick.

**20 To pull [x] up**

To bring up bring something nearer.

**Example:**Eugene *pulled* the document *up* on his computer. **or**Eugene *pulled up* the document on his computer.

**21 To put [x] on**

To add something to your person or an object.

**Example:**I always *put*my backpack *on*before leaving the house. **or**I always *put on*my backpack before leaving the house.

**22 To put up with**

To tolerate or condone.

**Example:**Jeff *put up with* Janice’s cynical attitude.

**23 To run out of**

To drain the supply of something.

**Example:**Maria *ran out* of paper towels and had to go to the store.

**24 To see to**

To make sure something is done.

**Example:**I’ll *see to* watering the plants.

**25 To take after**

To resemble, usually used to describe parents and their children.

**Example:**Li *takes after* his father.

**26 To take [x] out**

To move something outside.

**Example:**Please *take*the garbage*out* before you leave. **or**Please *take out* the garbage before you leave.

**27 To think [x] over**

To consider something.

**Example:**Yosef *thought* Rosie’s situation *over*. **or**Yosef *thought over* Rosie’s situation.

**28 To throw [x] away**

To dispose of something.

**Example:**Could you *throw* that burrito *away*? **or**Could you *throw away* that burrito?

**29 To top off**

To fill something to the top.

**Example:**May I *top off* your beverage?

**30 To wait on**

To serve.

**Example:**Billie *waited on* the table of customers.