

PHRASAL VERB	Meaning	Example
break down	stop functioning (vehicle, machine)	Our car broke down at the side of the highway in the snowstorm.
break down	get upset	The woman broke down when the police told her that her son had died.
break in / into	burglar; force entry to a building	Somebody broke in last night and stole our stereo.
break up = split up with sb	end a relationship	My boyfriend and I broke up before I moved to America.
bring someone up	raise a child	My grandparents brought me up after my parents died.
call someone back	return a phone call	I called the company back but the offices were closed for the weekend.
cut something off	stop providing	The phone company cut off our phone because we didn't pay the bill.
eat out	eat at a restaurant	I don't feel like cooking tonight. Let's eat out .
fill something in (AmE: fill sth out)	to write information in blanks	Please fill in the form with your name, address, and phone number.
find out	discover	We don't know where he lives. How can we find out ?
give something away	give something to someone for free	The library was giving away old books on Friday.
give something back	return a borrowed item	I have to give these skates back to Franz before his hockey game.
give something up =quit	Stop 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 out	leave home to go on a social event	We're going out for dinner tonight.
go out with someone	date	Jesse has been going out with Luke since they met last winter.