

Phrasal Verbs with Take

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Phrasal verbs are a combination of a verb and a preposition, a verb and an adverb, or a combination of both. There are many phrasal verbs in English language, and therefore, memorizing them is a little difficult. The best way to learn is by learning them as they come across. Let's learn phrasal verbs with take.



7 Phrasal Verbs With Take

1. Take something down

There are two meanings for the phrase take something down:

- Separate a structure into parts

Example:

After the event was over, the volunteers took down the banners.

- Write information on paper

Example:

During her phone interview, she took down the questions that were asked.

2. Take something in

Take something in has two meanings:

- Receive and understand information

Example:

My professor was so fast in solving the sum that I couldn't just take in .

b. Make clothing smaller so that it fits you

Example:

Shivani's dress is a little loose so I asked her to take it in by an inch.

3. Take off

Take off has three meanings:

a. Become successful or popular very fast

Example:

In the last few years, Instagram has taken off all over the world.

b. Leave a place suddenly (This is used in an informal sentence)

Example:

They were at the reception for about an hour, and then they took off.

c. An airplane leaving the ground and going up into the air

Example:

When does the plane take off?

4. Take up

Like the other phrases take up also has two meanings:

a. to begin a sport, hobby or a challenge

Example:

Why don't you take up a beauty course?

b. To fill space

Example:

Isn't that cupboard taking up lots of space in the bedroom?

5. Take something back

There are two meanings for the phrase take something back:

a. Return something to a store

Example:

The t-shirts I bought were too small, so I took them back and exchanged them for a larger size.

b. Admit that something you said was wrong

Example:

I am sorry I said you were a psycho. I take it back.

6. Take out

There are two meanings for the phrase take out:

a. To remove

Example:

The robber took out his gun and shot the policeman at the railway station.

b. To go on a date with someone

Example:

He is taking me out to Ooty.

You will understand these phrasal verbs when you understand their meaning and start using them in a sentence. You can join a [spoken English course](#) to help clear your basic concepts of English and grammar.

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