



PHRASAL VERBS (F)

face up to

- *to confront and withstand*
We should face up to our limitations so we can improve ourselves.

fall back

- *to retreat, to move or turn back*
The enemy had to fall back after such severe attack in the middle of the night.

fall behind

- *to fall to keep level with*
Due to the lack of enough exercise he soon fell behind his friends while climbing the mountain.

fall down

- *to fall on the ground*
The building fell down in a cloud of dust during the demolition.

fall for

- *to yield to the charms, attractions (especially when deceived)*
Don't fall for that man, he is a liar.

fall through

- *to fail, miscarry, come to nothing*
Their new project fell through because of the limited budget.

feel down

- *to be depressed or low*
If you have been feeling down for a few days, a holiday may help you.

feel up to

- *to feel well enough or ready to do something*
I feel up to the new task after making full preparations.

figure out

- *to calculate*
Try to figure out the answer by adding the whole numbers first.
- *to understand*
I couldn't figure out that man because of his heavy accent.

fill in

- *to complete the form*
Please fill in these forms first then we can move on to next procedure.
- *to completely fill a hole*
There is a big hole on the road that we should fill at once.

fill out

- *to become or make larger, rounded or fatter*
After stopping her exercise routine, she filled out quickly.

fill up

- *to make or become quite full*
The rubbish and leaves filled up the drainage system during the storm.

find out

- *to discover*
They did lots of checking and finally found out why it would not work.
- *to catch somebody at fault*
I am afraid we might be found out by the fraud police.

finish off

- *to finish completely*
We must finish off this project by tomorrow morning.
- *to kill*
I thought the stomachache would finish me off, it was that bad.

fit into

- *to go into available space*
The clothing should fit into the bigger box.

fit out

- *to equip*
This university is being fitted out with modern and advanced teaching devices.

fix up

- *to repair*
The fridge doesn't work and needs to be fixed up by a qualified repairman.
- *to arrange*
My teacher fixed me up with a new task.

flag down

- *to signal (somebody, a vehicle, etc.) to stop*
He saw a man in the middle of the road flagging him down.

flesh out

- *to give substance to (a plan, a framework)*
The boss only brings out a basic plan and leaves us to flesh it out in detail.