

# PHRASALS (N and O)

#### narrow down

to reduce

You should narrow down the shopping list, we don't need so much.

## note down

write something down in order to remember it
The little boy noted down every word in class today.

## nod off

let the head fall forward when sleepy or falling asleep
He often nods off in the class.

#### name after

give a name to
The baby was named after his grandfather.

#### name for

appoint to a position

Mr. Smith was named for the new schoolmaster position.

### open up

make accessible

Due to the policy to open up more, China made huge economic development.

#### occur to

come into one's mind

An idea suddenly occurred to me regarding our presentation.

# operate on

perform a surgical operation

The old lady is in a serious condition, four doctors are operating on her.

# opt for

choose

What career do you plan to opt for after the new semester?

## opt out of

choose to take no part in

After thinking it over carefully, he decided to opt out of the organization.

#### owe to

• be indebted to as the source of

The company owes its success to joint efforts of all staff.