

3. Phrasal Verbs

Question 1 (From SCERT QP)

Read the following passage and use the phrasal verbs given in brackets to fill in the blanks.

Oh! I have _____ a _____ hope of a peaceful life. All my attempts to _____ b _____ Aliyakhin are in vain. He is cruel and has no sympathy for me. My grandfather doesn't reply to my letter. I tried to _____ c _____ my anguish and misery to him in the letter. But I don't know why he is reluctant to reply. I hope somehow I will _____ d _____ the crisis.
(put up with, get away, get over, give up, put across)

Question 2

Rewrite the passage given below replacing the phrasal verbs given in bracket.

The rabbit was _____ a _____ well at home. But it tried to _____ b _____ to the wild. Mother _____ c _____ complaining about keeping the rabbit at home. She wanted everyone to _____ d _____ from the rabbit.
(get off, turn up, keep away, look after, go on)

Question 3

Rewrite the passage given below replacing the phrasal verbs given in bracket.

Vanka _____ a _____ his cap and ran out. On the way he _____ b _____ the man at the butcher's shop. Vanka asked him about the way to the city. The man doubted whether Vanka would _____ c _____ to the city since snowfall was heavy. The man asked Vanka to _____ d _____ his journey for the next day.
(make it, put on, come across, put off, put in)

Question 4

Rewrite the sentences given below and fill in with the phrasal verbs given in bracket.

The Doctor : I _____ a _____ a problem tonight.

Neighbour : What happened?

The Doctor : A snake coiled around my arm. It happened so unexpectedly that I was _____ b _____.

Neighbour : Is the snake still there? Did you _____ c _____ it?

The Doctor : I don't know, I'm afraid. I still haven't _____ d _____ the shock

Neighbour : You relax for a while.

(taken aback, run into, get over, look out for, give in)

Question 5

Substitute the underlined words choosing the correct phrasal verbs from the box given below.

It was the time for my P E class. I had to remove (a) my uniform and wear (b) P.E shorts to go to the playground. I started (c) towards my class room to take the shorts. I met (d) my friend and she told me that nobody was in the classroom. When I reached the class, I heard my teachers talking about the Scholarship Jacket. They continued (e) arguing with each other for a long time. (came across, went on, put down, take off, went out, set out, put on)

Question 6

Rewrite the passage given below substituting the verbs with the phrasal verbs given in bracket.

When my uncle arrived (a) in Paris, he was detained at the airport as a bomb exploded (b) in the city. As he could speak only Malayalam and Hindi the airport officials could understand (c) nothing. His request for an interpreter was also declined (d). He was kept under custody but fortunately he was released (e) later because of the intervention of the Indian embassy officials. (turn down, get to, let off, make out, went off)

Question 7

Rewrite the passage filling the blanks using the phrasal verbs given in bracket.

Two brothers ____ a ____ on a journey together. At noon they lay down in a forest to rest. When they woke up they ____ b ____ a stone lying next to them. There was something written on the stone, and they tried to ____ c ____ what it was. (came across, set out, let off, make out,)

Question 8 (From Orukkam 2017)

Replace the underlined expressions with the phrasal verbs given in brackets. (go on, call on, put on, put across, get away, call for)

1. I don't think I managed to express my ideas very well in my interview.
2. He wore his new black jacket.
3. I thought we might visit my mother on our way – I've got some gifts for her.
4. We walked to the next beach to escape from the crowds.
5. If you continue behaving like this, you will lose all your friends.
6. It's the sort of work that needs a high level of concentration.

Question 9

Match the following:

A	B
Go on	Wear
Put on	Visit
Call on	Express the ideas
Put across	Escape
Get away	Need a particular action
Call for	Continue

Question 10

Fill in the passage using suitable phrasal verbs.

The thoughts about the scholarship jacket.....(a).....disturbing Martha's mind. She...(b)...her black coat and went outside. She was sad that she could not.....(c).....her thoughts to the principal. She even thought that she should.....(d).....from the whole situation. Martha wanted to.....(e).....her mother and tell her about all the incident. She wanted to solve puzzles in order to get relaxed. But she decided to give up as it.....(f).....a high level of concentration.

Question 11

Read the following conversation and fill in the blanks using appropriate phrasal verbs.
(give up, come across, turn down, look after, get on)

John: Why do you look very happy?

Kiran: I.....(a).....my old friend today.

John: Why didn't you invite him to dinner?

Kiran: I did. But he.....(b).....my offer.

John: Why? Did he decide to.....(c).....all his old friends.

Kiran: No, we still.....(d).....very well.

John: Then why?

Kiran: His mother is not well. He has to...(e).....her.

John: Oh I thought he could not recognise you at all.

Question 12

Meanings of certain phrasal verbs are given. Write appropriate phrasal verbs against each.

A	B
To refuse an offer or request	
To have a good relationship	
To take care of someone or something	
To find something by chance	
To stop having a friendship with someone	
To stop using something	

Question 13

Fill in the blanks using suitable phrasal verbs from the brackets below.

Mr. John decided to.....(a)....his bad habits that ruined him. He and his wife have set up an organization to.....(b).....delinquent youth. He....(c)....the narrator who saved his life years ago. The narrator tried to....(d)....his request in the beginning. But finally they started(e)...better with each other.

(give up, come across, turn down, look after, get on)

Answers

Question 1: a) given up b) put up with c) put across d) get over

Question 2: a) looked after b) get off c) went on d) keep away

Question 3: a) put on b) came across c) make it d) put off

Question 4: a) ran into b) taken aback c) look out for d) got over

Question 5: a) take off b) put on c) set out d) went on

Question 6: a) got to b) went off c) make out d) turned down e) let off

Question 7: a) set out b) came across c) make out

Question 8: 1) put across 2) put on 3) call on 4) get away 5) go on 6) calls for

Question 9:

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Question 10: a) went on b) put on c) put across d) get away e) call on f) calls for

Question 11: a) came across b) turned down c) give up d) get on e) look after.

Question 12:

A	B
To refuse an offer or request	Turn down
To have a good relationship	Get on
To take care of someone or something	Look after
To find something by chance	Come across
To stop having a friendship with someone	Break up
To stop using something	Give up

Question 13: a) give up b) look after c) turn down d) getting on

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