

# engVid LEARN ENGLISH FOR FREE 100 Phrasal Verbs Used as Commands

Many two-word phrasal verbs can be used alone as complete sentences or commands in English. It is important to understand them because they are used so often in English. It is also easy to use them because they are so short! Please note that a few of the expressions below are considered impolite or rude and have been marked as such.

**Note:** A phrasal verb is a verb plus an adverb and/or preposition. It has a different meaning than when the verb is used alone. There are thousands of phrasal verbs in English, most of which are used as part of a sentence.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Phrasal Verb	Meaning
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back away!	move backwards, away from something frightening or dangerous
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back off!	(slang – rude) stop bothering or threatening someone
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back up!	move backwards; step backwards; drive backwards
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bear down!	push or press down hard
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bend down!	lean over and forward; lean down
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bend over!	lean forward from the waist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Breathe in!	take a breath in; take air into the lungs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Breathe out!	take a breath out; push air out of the lungs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brighten up!	be cheerful; be happier
<input type="checkbox"/>	Buckle down!	start working, studying, or doing something else seriously
<input type="checkbox"/>	Buddy up!	find a partner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bugger off!	(slang – rude) Go away!
<input type="checkbox"/>	Butt out!	(slang – rude) don't interfere
<input type="checkbox"/>	Buzz off!	(slang – rude) Go away!
<input type="checkbox"/>	Calm down!	relax, don't be angry, don't be upset, don't be worried
<input type="checkbox"/>	Carry on!	keep doing what you were doing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheer up!	be happier; don't be sad
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chill out!	relax; don't be upset or angry
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clean up!	clean yourself or your surroundings
<input type="checkbox"/>	Close down!	close a shop or business so it is not operating
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come back!	return to where you were
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come down!	move down off something high come south
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come on!	(encouraging someone) do what I am telling you to do (not believing someone) I don't believe you (rushing someone) move faster
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come in!	enter a closed space
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come out!	leave a closed space
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come over!	come to my house; come to where I am
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come up!	move to a higher place
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cool down!	Relax; don't be upset or angry

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Cover up!	put on more clothes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Double up!	form pairs because space or resources are limited
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dream on!	(slang) I don't think what you have just said will happen
<input type="checkbox"/>	Drink up!	finish your drink
<input type="checkbox"/>	Eat up!	finish your food
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fess up!	(slang) confess / admit what you did; tell the truth about what you did
<input type="checkbox"/>	Finish up!	finish what you have been doing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fuck off!	(slang – very, very rude) Go away!
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gather around!	make a group and come together in one place
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gear up!	get ready to do something
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get away!	move away; run away; escape
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get down!	come down from a high place
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get in!	go inside something, like a car or bus
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get off!	go out of something, like a bus or train
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get on!	climb on board something moving or about to start moving, like a train
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get out!	(slang – rude) Leave this place! (used when angry at someone)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get up!	become awake; don't sleep
<input type="checkbox"/>	Give up!	stop doing what you're doing give yourself to the police or authorities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go around!	move to where you need to go by passing some obstacle instead of going straight
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go away!	leave the place where you are
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go back!	return to where you were
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go on!	continue what you were saying
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grow up!	behave in a mature way; don't act like a child
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hang on!	wait hold tight
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hang up!	end the phone call
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hold on!	wait hold this tight or you might fall
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hurry up!	do whatever you are doing quickly, whether it's physical or mental
<input type="checkbox"/>	Keep away!	stay away; do not go near
<input type="checkbox"/>	Keep out!	stay outside; do not enter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lace up!	tie your shoelaces; put on your shoes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lay off!	(slang – rude) stop doing something that bothers someone
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lie down!	put your body in a horizontal position; relax on a bed or sofa
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighten up!	cheer up; don't be so serious or worried
<input type="checkbox"/>	Line up!	make or form a line
<input type="checkbox"/>	Listen up!	listen carefully
<input type="checkbox"/>	Loosen up!	(slang) relax; don't be so stressed

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Move along!	keep moving; don't stop in this spot
<input type="checkbox"/>	Move back!	move to a place in the back
<input type="checkbox"/>	Move forward!	move to a place in the front
<input type="checkbox"/>	Move on!	continue your life; go on with your life
<input type="checkbox"/>	Open up!	Open the door!
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perk up!	cheer up; don't be sad
<input type="checkbox"/>	Press on!	keep doing what you need to do; don't give up
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pull back!	move backward
<input type="checkbox"/>	Quieten down!	stop being noisy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Queue up!	Make or form a line
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saddle up!	Get ready to ride a horse by putting the saddle on the horse
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scoot over!	(slang) move to make space for someone else
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stand up!	stand
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shut up!	(slang – rude) be quiet; stop talking
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sit down!	sit; be seated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sit up!	sit straight in your chair, bed, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Smarten up!	become more intelligent and aware of what's happening around you
<input type="checkbox"/>	Speak up!	talk louder
<input type="checkbox"/>	Speed up!	move faster
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stand up!	stand
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stay away!	don't go near
<input type="checkbox"/>	Straighten up!	stand straight; do not bend
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stretch out!	lie down comfortably
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sum up!	summarize
<input type="checkbox"/>	Take off!	leave fast
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tidy up!	clean the place; put things in the right places
<input type="checkbox"/>	Turn back!	go backwards
<input type="checkbox"/>	Turn over!	move your body so that the other side faces up
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wait up!	wait for me to catch up with you
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wake up!	don't sleep anymore; become awake
<input type="checkbox"/>	Walk away!	leave a difficult situation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Walk out!	leave a situation because you do not approve of something leave someone (leave a relationship)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Watch out!	be very careful
<input type="checkbox"/>	Work away!	continue working
<input type="checkbox"/>	Write back!	reply to a letter or email