

## Are you ready to take off?

**Level:** Intermediate

**Age:** Teenagers

**Time needed:** 25 minutes

**Lesson aim:**

To help students become confident with using the Macmillan online dictionary for the study of phrasal verbs.

**Skills:** Study skills, speaking

**Materials needed:** Worksheet, Macmillan online dictionary

them to check their answers in pairs using the Macmillan online dictionary then go through the answers with the whole class. Encourage students to find one-word synonyms for the phrasal verbs where possible (e.g. take apart – criticise; look up – admire/respect; take sb up on sth – accept).

### Key

a apart    b to    c after    d after    e on  
f on    g back

### Activity 3

Have students complete the activity in their pairs. To check the answers, get pairs to read out their sentences and ask the rest of class to check if the sentences are correct.

### Warmer

Ask students if they have ever heard of phrasal verbs and, if so, to give you a couple of examples. Ask students what they know about how phrasal verbs are made and explain that phrasal verbs combine a verb with a particle (preposition or adverb). Explain that as well as understanding at how to form phrasal verbs, they will need to understand how different particles can completely change the meaning of the verb they are combined with.

Discuss the different meanings of the two examples with the verb *take*.

### Activity 1

Ask your students to look at the verbs in the sentences and to select the particle that best fits the meaning. Encourage them to check their answers with their partner on the Macmillan online dictionary. Clarify any doubts the students may have about the form or the meaning of the phrasal verbs.

### Key

a off    b on    c out    d into    e into    f in

### Activity 2

Explain that students have to add the correct particles to the sentences. When the students are finished, ask

### Example answers

bring along, bring on, bring out, bring up  
come across, come along, come away, come into, come on, come out, come up  
get across, get along, get away, get behind, get into, get on, get out, get up  
put across, put away, put into, put on, put out, put up  
turn away, turn into, turn on, turn out, turn up

### Follow-up activities

Encourage students to search for more examples of phrasal verbs on the Macmillan online dictionary. Remind them to pay particular attention to the different meanings a phrasal verb can have, depending on the context.