

phrasal verbs

check out something/someone = to find out if something is correct, or if somebody is acceptable

check out something = to borrow a book from a library

check out something/someone = to examine something or visit a place to see whether you like them

something (e.g. information/a story) checks out = to be found to be true or acceptable after being examined

walk in = not arranged in advance; where you do not need to arrange a time in advance

try something on = to put on a piece of clothing to see if it fits and how it looks

settle up = to pay all of an amount of money that you owe to a particular person or company

come in = enter a place

get on/along (with someone) = they like each other and are friendly to each other

pick up something = to learn a new skill or start a habit without intending to

hang out = to spend a lot of time in a place

check up on someone = to make sure that somebody is doing what they should be doing

something lies around = to be left somewhere in an untidy or careless way, not put away in the correct place

butter someone up = to say nice things to somebody so that they will help you or give you something

build something up = to increase, or to make something increase

fixed phrases

in advance = before a particular time, or before doing a particular thing

on time = happening or done at the particular moment that it was expected to happen or be done

one by one = separately and in order

on the spot = immediately

bear something in mind = to remember something

When in Rome (do as the Romans do) = (saying) used to say that when you are in a foreign country, or a situation you are not.

open my eyes (to something) = to realize or make somebody realize the truth about something

under the same roof = in the same building or house

crack a joke = to tell a joke

have the knack of/for something = a natural skill or ability

agree to disagree/differ = if two people agree to differ/disagree, they accept that they have different opinions about something, but they decide not to discuss it any longer.

in a ... way/fashion = in a particular way/style

at the end of the day = used to introduce the most important fact after everything has been considered

be set in your ways = to have habits or opinions that you have had for a long time and that you do not want to change

by hook or by crook = using any method you can, even a dishonest one

one good turn deserves another = (saying) you should help somebody who has helped you

think twice (about something) = to think carefully before deciding to do something

That said/Having said that = used to introduce an opinion that makes what you have just said seem less strong

make a monkey (out) of someone = to make somebody seem stupid

good for you = used to praise somebody for doing something well

vocabulary

orientation date = a day arranged by an organisation for training or providing information that you are given before starting a new job, course, etc.

crucial = very important

grateful = showing or expressing thanks, especially to another person

punctual = happening or doing something at the arranged or correct time; not late

crucial = very important

offend = to make somebody feel upset because of something you say or do that is rude or embarrassing

receptive = willing to listen to or to accept new ideas or suggestions

a treat = something very pleasant that somebody can enjoy, especially something that you give somebody or do for them

reciprocation = the fact of feeling or behaving towards someone else in the same way as they feel or behave towards you

shenanigans = secret or dishonest activities that people find interesting and sometimes funny

jealous = feeling angry or unhappy because you wish you had something that somebody else has

embrace = to accept an idea, a proposal, a set of beliefs, etc., especially when it is done with enthusiasm
feeling angry or unhappy because you wish you had something that somebody else has

diversity = a range of many people or things that are very different from each other

unique = being the only one of its kind

perspective = the ability to think about problems and decisions in a reasonable way without making them seem worse or more important than they really are