



Phrasal Verbs: Phrasal Verbs with GO, BREAK & GIVE

Fill in the blank with the correct option.

1. Please ____ . I'm listening to your story.
a) go on
b) go off
c) go out
d) go up
2. Their car ____ on the way to the wedding.
a) broke up
b) broke out
c) broke in
d) broke down
3. He finally decided to ____ smoking.
a) give in
b) give up
c) give out
d) give away
4. The bomb ____ in a crowded market.
a) went on
b) went up
c) went off
d) went out
5. A fire ____ in the factory last night.
a) broke out
b) broke down
c) broke up
d) broke off
6. The teacher ____ the exam papers to the students.
a) gave up
b) gave away
c) gave in
d) gave out
7. Let's ____ for dinner tonight. I don't feel like cooking.
a) go on
b) go out
c) go off
d) go away
8. She ____ and started to cry during the interview.
a) broke up
b) broke out
c) broke down
d) broke off
9. Don't ____ the ending of the film!
a) give away
b) give up
c) give out
d) give in
10. The price of petrol has ____ again this month.
a) gone on
b) gone out
c) gone off
d) gone up
11. Tom and Sarah have ____ . They are no longer a couple.
a) broken down
b) broken up
c) broken out
d) broken in



Answers

1. a) go on
2. d) broke down
3. b) give up
4. c) went off
5. a) broke out
6. d) gave out
7. b) go out
8. c) broke down
9. a) give away
10. d) gone up
11. b) broken up
12. c) gave in
13. a) gone off
14. d) broke off
15. b) gave off
16. c) went out
17. a) broke into
18. d) gave away
19. b) going on
20. a) gave out



Explanations

1. “go on” (a)

'Go on' means to continue. 'Go off' means to explode or sound (alarm). 'Go out' means to leave the house for entertainment. 'Go up' means to increase.

2. “broke down” (d)

'Break down' means to stop working (machine/vehicle). 'Break up' means to end a relationship. 'Break in' means to enter illegally. 'Break out' means to start suddenly (war, fire).

3. “give up” (b)

'Give up' means to stop doing something permanently, to quit. 'Give in' means to surrender or accept defeat. 'Give out' means to distribute. 'Give away' means to donate for free.

4. “went off” (c)

'Go off' means to explode (bomb) or to sound suddenly (alarm). 'Go on' means to continue. 'Go up' means to increase or to be destroyed by fire. 'Go out' means to stop burning.

5. “broke out” (a)

'Break out' means to start suddenly — used for fire, war, disease, or fighting. 'Break down' means to stop working. 'Break up' means to end a relationship. 'Break off' means to stop suddenly.

6. “gave out” (d)

'Give out' means to distribute or hand out to several people. 'Give up' means to quit. 'Give in' means to surrender. 'Give away' means to donate or reveal a secret.

7. “go out” (b)

'Go out' means to leave the house for entertainment (dinner, cinema, etc.). 'Go on' means to continue. 'Go off' means to explode. 'Go away' means to leave or depart.

8. “broke down” (c)

'Break down' also means to lose emotional control and start crying. 'Break up' means to end a relationship. 'Break out' means to start suddenly. 'Break off' means to stop abruptly.

9. “give away” (a)

'Give away' means to reveal a secret or the answer. 'Give up' means to quit. 'Give out' means to distribute. 'Give in' means to surrender.

10. “gone up” (d)

'Go up' means to increase in price or amount. 'Go on' means to continue. 'Go off' means to explode. 'Go out' means to stop burning or to leave for entertainment.

11. “broken up” (b)

'Break up' means to end a romantic relationship. 'Break down' means to stop working or to cry. 'Break out' means to start suddenly. 'Break in' means to enter illegally.

12. “gave in” (c)

'Give in' means to surrender, to stop fighting and accept the other person's wishes. 'Give up' means to stop doing something permanently. 'Give out' means to distribute. 'Give away' means to donate.

13. “gone off” (a)

'Go off' (for food) means to become bad or spoiled. 'Go on' means to continue. 'Go out' means to stop burning. 'Go up' means to increase.

14. “broke off” (d)

'Break off' means to stop something suddenly, especially a conversation or negotiation. 'Break up' means to end a relationship. 'Break down' means to stop working. 'Break into' means to enter by force.

15. “gave off” (b)

'Give off' means to produce or emit (heat, light, smell, gas). 'Give out' means to stop working or to distribute. 'Give up' means to stop trying. 'Give in' means to surrender.

16. “went out” (c)

'Go out' means to stop burning (fire, candle, light). 'Go off' means to explode or sound. 'Go on' means to continue. 'Go up' means to increase or be destroyed by fire/explosion.

17. “broke into” (a)

'Break into' means to enter a building illegally by force. 'Break down' means to stop working. 'Break out' means to start suddenly. 'Break up' means to end a relationship.

18. “gave away” (d)

'Give away' means to donate something for free, permanently. 'Give out' means to distribute. 'Give up' means to quit. 'Give in' means to surrender.

19. “going on” (b)

'Go on' also means to happen or take place: 'What's going on?' = 'What's happening?' 'Go off' means to explode. 'Go out' means to leave for entertainment. 'Go up' means to increase.

20. “gave out” (a)

'Give out' means to stop functioning, to fail — used for body parts and machines. 'Give up' means to quit deliberately (a person's conscious decision). 'Give in' means to surrender. 'Give away' means to donate.