



Basic Phrasal Verbs

VERB + PREPOSITION => CHANGE OF MEANING = PHRASAL VERB			
look	after	take care of	look after

I looked after their house - PHRASAL VERB to look after

I looked at their house - NOT a phrasal verb

A Match the meanings in the box below with the phrasal verbs in the table.

discover information	request	stop
get out of bed	search	take care of

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ask	make a question	ask for
find	opposite of 'lose'	find out
get	obtain	get up
give	make a present of	give up
look	observe	look after
		look for

B Fill the gaps with the most appropriate phrasal verbs in the correct form.

- Who is going to your cat while you are away?
- I never early on Sundays.
- I need to about flights to Thailand.
- I usually fish when I eat in a restaurant.
- She loses a lot of time keys in her bag.
- She a green tea but they didn't have it. Barbarians!
- The doctor told my boss to smoking or face serious consequences.
- I need you to who is coming to the meeting.
- Thank you for me while I was ill.
- I normally much earlier in the summer than in the winter.

C Now make up some example sentences of your own.

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Answers

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		look for	search

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- 6 She asked for a green tea but they didn't have it. Barbarians!
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