

PRACTICAL ENGLISH FOR PROFESSIONALS

LESSON 6. PHRASAL VERBS WITH GO PART 1

A) Complete the phrasal verbs of the sentences (1-15) with particles from the box, and match them with the correct definition (A-O)

after	ahead	around	back	by	down (3)
for (2)	into	off	over (2)	through	

1.	Harry has decided to go _____ politics. I'm not sure I would vote for him!	A	to criticise strongly
2.	The computers are always going _____. We need some new ones.	B	to experience an unpleasant or difficult situation or event
3.	We should go _____ over these figures. I think there's a mistake somewhere.	C	to happen
4.	The house went _____ €400,000, which was more than we expected.	D	try to get
5.	Mr Drake said he had decided to go _____ to the Green Party as he was disillusioned with his own party's policies on the environment.	E	to think about something that happened or that was said
6.	The main problem was that the quality of our products was going _____.	F	leave one group or organisation and join another competing one
7.	The festival will go _____, despite the bad weather.	G	to spend time
8.	I've been going _____ in my mind what happened the other day. I think we have a big problem.	H	to become involved in
9.	Who would want to go _____ such a boring job.	I	to return to its usual size
10.	The event went _____ as planned and £2,000 was raised for charity.	J	to use as a reference
11.	The young mother went _____ agony before her missing child was found.	K	to examine again
12.	The newspapers are really going _____ Joss Rone. They seem determined to destroy his career.	L	to stop working
13.	Going _____ the government's own statistics, they have failed to stop the rise in drug addiction.	M	to be sold for
14.	Youths who go _____ vandalizing property should be forced to repair the things they have damaged.	N	to happen in a particular way
15.	I fell and cut my hand a week ago, and the swelling hasn't gone _____ yet.	O	to become worse in quality

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B) Complete the text using the correct form of phrasal verbs from the previous activity.

It's been a terrible week. As you know, I'm planning to _____ teaching. On Monday I _____ a trainee teacher position that was advertised at a school in town but I didn't get it. I'm not sure why. I _____ over the interview in my mind but I don't think I said anything too stupid. Then on Tuesday I fell off my bike and managed to twist my ankle. It was terribly swollen for a day or two but it's beginning _____ now. It's my birthday party tomorrow. I hope you can come. Plans _____ still _____ for that, of course, although I don't suppose I'll be able to dance very much. I'm probably going to sell my bike, though. I hope it _____ at least £100, which will help me out till I manage to find a job.

C) Correct the mistakes with particles in these sentences.

1. Going for the weather forecast, there'll be snow tomorrow.
2. Harriet went on a terrible time during her husband's illness.
3. You really mustn't go across telling such terrible lies.
4. Horace has always wanted to go on law.
5. A ton of brass or aluminium can go around \$2,000 at the metal recycling centre in San Diego.

D) Which particle fits in each of these sets of sentences?

1. Pam really went _____ me in the office today.
They are selling their old computer but they don't expect it to go _____ much.
Please be quiet, children – and that goes _____ you too, Mick.
2. The standard of school leavers' English is going _____.
The office computers have gone _____ again.
The bump on the boy's head looked alarming but it quickly went _____.
3. Let's go _____ our plan of action for tomorrow again.
I keep going _____ what I said to him, wishing I could take my words back.
He started his political life as a Republican but later on went _____ to the Democrats.
4. I was nervous about playing in the concert but everything went _____ very well.
I didn't wake up when my alarm clock went _____ this morning.
Don't drink this milk – I think it's gone _____.