

Phrasal Verbs Exercise

Can you use common phrasal verbs correctly? Take a moment to do this exercise.

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate preposition or adverb particle.

1. James worked very hard, but he could not win the prize, so please don't bring it

on

out

up

2. His liver cancer was brought by years of drinking.

up

in

on

3. I will call you this evening if I am free.

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out

in

on

4. Although she was in the last place, her parents cheered her throughout the race.

up

on

Either could be used here

5. I wanted to tell him that I was getting married, but the chance never came

up

over

in

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6. I was going to take my kids to the movies, but something came and I had to cancel.

out

off

up

7. While I was cleaning the attic, I came this diary of my grandmother.

at

across

down

8. At last her mother gave and allowed her to sleep over at her friend's house.

up

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out

in

9. After two weeks of trying to build my own website, I gave and hired a professional web designer.

in

off

up

10. After leaving university, I tried to stay close to my classmates, but slowly, we grew

away

up

apart

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11. When we were young we used to hang in the cafe after work.

up

over

out

12. He hung on me even before I could finish a sentence. I will never call him again.

over

up

in

Answers

- 1. James worked very hard, but he could not win the prize, so please don't bring it up.
- 2. His liver cancer was brought on by years of drinking.
- 3. I will call on you this evening if I am free.

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5. I wanted to tell him that I was getting married, but the chance never came up.
6. I was going to take my kids to the movies, but something came up and I had to cancel.
7. While I was cleaning the attic, I came across this diary of my grandmother.
8. At last her mother gave in and allowed her to sleep over at her friend's house.
9. After two weeks of trying to build my own website, I gave up and hired a professional web designer.
10. After leaving university, I tried to stay close to my classmates, but slowly, we grew apart.
11. When we were young we used to hang out in the cafe after work.
12. He hung up on me even before I could finish a sentence. I will never call him again.