English has several phrasal verbs with set. Can you use them correctly? Take a moment to do this exercise.

1. The children were going to the movies, but the rain played spoilsport.
set to
set about
set on
2. The girl didn't take even five minutes to the train set.
set out
set up
set on

3. What sets him from his colleagues is his commitment to his work.

out
off
apart
4. She set the novel and started doing her homework.
off
apart
aside
5. She has faced many in life.
set offs
set backs
setbacks

6. He set the stereo on the table.
down
out
aside
7. Winter has set
out
up
in
8. Three months after quitting the job, remorse set
off
out
in

9. We set on our voyage in the morning.
off
ир
down
10. The decision to build a dam in the ecologically sensitive region set a wave of protests.
ир
off
out
11. The merchant set on his journey in the morning.
off

out
Either could be used here
12. They set the tent in a couple of minutes.
down
out
off
up
out

Answers

- 1. The children were set on going to the movies, but the rain played spoilsport.
- 2. The girl didn't take even five minutes to set up the train set.
- 3. What sets him apart from his colleagues is his commitment to his work.
- 4. She set aside the novel and started doing her homework.
- 5. She has faced many setbacks in life.

- 6. He set the stereo down on the table.
- 7. Winter has set in.
- 8. Three months after quitting the job, remorse set in.
- 9. We set off on our voyage in the morning.
- 10. The decision to build a dam in the ecologically sensitive region set off a wave of protests.
- 11. The merchant set out / off on his journey in the morning.
- 12. They set up the tent in a couple of minutes.