

Phrasal verbs as nouns

Verb and meaning	Example(s)
<p>breakdown - a failure to work or be successful a division of something into smaller parts: تعطل , توقف</p>	<p>I had a breakdown (= my car stopped working) in the middle of the road. We asked for a breakdown of the accident figures into day time and night time. The rate of breakdown of muscle protein was assessed.</p>
<p>hold-up an occasion when someone steals from someone else using violence or the threat of violence: سطو تاخير</p>	<p>Come on, let's go. What's the hold-up? In the hold-up, a masked youth threatened the bank staff with a gun.</p>
<p>break-in an occasion when a building is entered illegally by a criminal or criminals, usually by damaging a window or door, especially in order to steal something اقتحام سطو سرقة</p>	<p>Police were called to three break-ins in the same area last night.</p>

knockout UNCONSCIOUS

الضربة القاضية

The tournament is a straight knockout.

breakthrough an important discovery or event that helps to improve a situation or provide an answer to a problem
تقدم مفاجئ في المعرفة

Scientists are hoping for a **breakthrough** in the search for a cure for cancer. A major **breakthrough** in negotiations has been achieved.

breakup the end of a relationship
انفصال

The planned **breakup** of the company will give him a less important role.

lay-off an occasion when a company stops employing someone, sometimes temporarily, because the company does not have enough money or enough work
تسريح

The recent economic crisis has led to massive **layoffs**.

Foster is playing again after a six-week **layoff** due to injury.

castaway - a person who has escaped from a ship that has sunk, and managed to get to an island or country where there are few or no other people
منبوذ

dropout - a person who leaves school, college, or university before finishing a course, or a person who lives in an unusual way:

a high school/college **dropout** He was a loner and a **dropout**.

getaway - an occasion when someone leaves a place quickly, usually after committing a crime:

ابتعد

The two masked men made their **getaway** in a stolen van. a getaway car

get-together an informal meeting or social occasion, often arranged for a particular purpose

لقاء

a family **get-together**

go-ahead an occasion when permission is given for someone to start doing something or for an event or activity to happen

استمر

The government has given the **go-ahead** for a multi-billion pound road-building project. We're ready to start but we're still waiting to get the **go-ahead** from our head office.

goings-on - strange, unusual, humorous, or unsuitable events or activities

ما يجري على

There've been a lot of strange/odd **goings-on** in that house recently.

lay-by - a place at the side of a road where a vehicle can stop for a short time without interrupting other traffic:

مكان وقوف للسيارة

We pulled into a **lay-by** to look at the map.

onlooker - someone who watches something that is happening in a public place but is not involved in

المشاهد المتفرج

A crowd of curious **onlookers** soon gathered to see what was happening.

onset - the moment at which something unpleasant begins

بداية بدء مطلع

the **onset** of winter The new treatment can delay the onset of the disease by several years.

outburst - a sudden forceful expression of emotion, especially anger

هيجان ثورة عنف

a violent **outburst** an **outburst** of creative activity - Her comments provoked an **outburst** of anger from the boss.

outlook - the likely future situation
توقعات آفاق

The **outlook** for the economy is bleak. The **outlook** for today is cloudy and dry at first with showers later.

sell-out - to sell all of the supply that you have of something

We **sold out** of the T-shirts in the first couple of hours. We couldn't get seats - the concert was **sold out**.

setback - something that happens that delays or prevents a process from developing
نكسة عائق

There has been a slight/temporary **setback** in our plans.

standby - something that is always ready for use, especially if a regular one fails

Board games are a good **standby** to keep the children amused if the weather is bad. There are **standby** generators but these usually only have to work for a few hours a year during power cuts.

stand-in - a person who takes the place or does the job of another person for a short time, for example because the other person is ill or on holiday
الوقوف في

The lecturer didn't turn up, so we had to find a **stand-in**.

stopover - a short stay in a place that you make while you are on a longer journey to somewhere else

توقف في رحلة

Our tickets to Australia include a **stopover** for two nights in Singapore.

stowaway - a person who hides on a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle

مسافر مستخفي في الباخرة

take-off the moment when an aircraft leaves the ground and begins to fly

إقلاع

Night **take-offs** and landings are banned at this airport.

takeover - a situation in which a company gets control of another company by buying enough of its shares - to try to get control of something

تولي

They were involved in a **takeover** last year.

The company made a **takeover** bid for a rival firm.

turnout - the number of people who are present at an event, especially the number who go to vote at an election

Good weather on polling day should ensure a good **turnout**.

upbringing - the way in which you are treated and educated when young, especially by your parents

تنشئة تربية

Is it right to say all the crimes he committed were simply the result of his **upbringing**?