

LIFE STORIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS (PHRASAL VERBS)

Exercise 1. Match the phrasal verbs with their meaning below.

put sb off talk sb into look up to try sth out pick sth up
take after give

1. _____ = stop trying sth
2. _____ = learn sth
3. _____ = do sth for the first time
4. _____ = admire and respect sb
5. _____ = encourage sb
6. _____ = discourage sb

Exercise 2: Complete the questions with the particles from EXERCISE 1 and then discuss them with a partner.

1. In terms of sporting ability, do you take _____ your mother or your father?
2. Has anybody ever talked you _____ taking up a hobby or joining a team?
3. Which type of book would you like to try _____?
4. Which historical person do you look _____ to?
5. Do you find it easy to pick _____ the rules to a new game or sport?
6. Have you ever given _____ in a race and just stopped?
7. Think of a job you don't like. What puts you _____ it?

ANSWER KEY

Exercise 1.

1. give up = stop trying sth
2. take after = be like sb
3. pick sth up = learn sth
4. try sth out = do sth for the first time
5. look up to = admire and respect sb
6. talk sb into = encourage sb
7. put sb off = discourage sb

Exercise 2.

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| 1. after | 2. into | 3. out | |
| 4. up | 5. up | 6. up | 7.off |