

VOCABULARY QUIZ **KEY**

for the story "The Mystery Suitcase" by David P. Steel

1. Choose the correct preposition to complete the phrasal verbs in the following sentences. Only one preposition is correct in each sentence! Write it in the blank.

a) The car **turned up** at 6 pm as planned.

out

on

up

b) Chrissie was relieved when the flight **took off** on time.

over

off

up

c) This time she was **picked up** by a taxi.

up

on

in

2. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the phrasal verbs. Possible forms are *infinitive (take on)*, *simple past (took on)* and *gerund (taking on)*.

a) It was just a crazy assignment she **took on** to help **pay off** her debts.

to pay off

to take on

b) Chrissie was intent on **carrying out** her mission as quickly as possible and then **checking into** an air-conditioned hotel.

to carry out

to check into

c) "Did we **shake** them **off**?" Chrissie asked hopefully. "We'll both lose our lives if we haven't," the driver **pointed out** solemnly.

to point out

to shake off

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3. Use each of these phrasal verbs only once to complete the following exercises.

to turn up

to make up

to take on

to pay off

to take off

to carry out

to pick up

to point out

Fill in the blank with the simple past of the correct phrasal verb (example: carried out).

- a) I don't know why you're so surprised. I actually **pointed out** that **out** to you weeks ago.
- b) They **took on** the new project **on** without realizing how much work would be involved.

Fill in the blank with the gerund of the correct phrasal verb (example: pointing out).

- c) Last week, he finally finished **paying off** the money he owed his brother.
- d) Nothing he said was true. He was **making up** everything **up** to trick people into believing him.

Fill in the blank with the correct phrasal verb in the correct form (simple past or gerund).

- e) She **carried out** the task quickly so she could go home early.
- f) I'm tired of **picking up** you **up** every day after school. Can't you take the bus sometimes?
- g) He **turned up** late at the birthday party and there was no food left.
- h) Due to the strike, planes are no longer **taking off** or landing this week.

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4. Read the definition and choose the correct phrasal verb.

Definition I

to spontaneously create something new; to come up with a reason for something

Which phrasal verb is this the definition for?

- a) to do over
- b) to make up**
- c) to point out

Definition II

to make advances, to try to get romantically involved

Which phrasal verb is this the definition for?

- a) to come on to someone**
- b) to take over for someone
- c) to shake someone off

Definition III

to draw attention to; to make aware; to ask someone to observe something

Which phrasal verb is this the definition for?

- a) to carry out
- b) to take off
- c) to point out**