

Phrasal Verbs A phrasal verb is made up of a verb + a particle. call for come across (NOT: Fran Reema into at the supermarket.) (NOT: Fran her inte.) come from look into tire of go on run into turn out Many phrasal verbs are separable. (NOT: The chef cut up it into small pieces:) burn off point out talk over cut up put on tell apart turn down turn into figure out send back think over wake up fit in take off throw away whip up give up take out throw out Three-Word Phrasal Verbs Three-word phrasal verbs consist of a verb + a particle + a preposition. One verb can be combined with different particles to create different meanings. (pick up = get, buy) Separable and Nonseparable Phrasal Verbs Some phrasal verbs are nonseparable. The noun or pronoun always follows the particle. The noun or pronoun always comes after the phrasal verb. A particle is a word that is used as an adverb or a preposition. A noun object can come in between the verb and the particle. If a pronoun object is used, it must come between the verb and the particle. Three-word phrasal verbs are nonseparable. The particle gives the verb a different meaning. You only picked at it. My sister picks on me for being a vegetarian. (pick at = eat without enthusiasm) (pick on = tease) We need to pick out a restaurant for the celebration. I ran into Reema at the supermarket. A noun object can come after the particle. Didn't you like the dinner? (pick out = choose) Will you pick up a gallon of milk on your way home? I ran into her. The chef cut up the steak into small pieces. The chef cut the steak up into small pieces.