

Word/Phrase	Part of speech	IPA (UK)	IPA (US)	Definition	Sample sentence
Verbs to describe change					
construct	verb	kən'strʌkt		to build or make something like a building, road or machine	The tunnel was constructed in 1996.
convert	verb	kən'vɜ:(r)t	kən'vɜrt	to change the use of something	They're planning to convert the warehouse into a community center.
demolish	verb	dɪ'mɒlɪʃ	dɪ'mɑlɪʃ	to knock down or destroy	I heard they're going to demolish the old school.
extend	verb	ɪk'stend		to make longer or bigger	We're going to extend the back room.
relocate	verb	ˌri:ləʊ'keɪt	'rilou,keɪt	to move to another place	Many companies have relocated their headquarters since the change.
restore	verb	rɪ'stɔ:(r)	rɪ'stɔr	to repair something so that it looks the same as it did originally	The goal of the campaign is to raise enough money to restore the library.
transform	verb	træns'fɔ:(r)m	træns'fɔrm	to change something completely	The factory was transformed into an art gallery.
Three-part phrasal verbs					
catch up with	phrasal verb	kætʃ ʌp wɪð		to find out someone's news	Are you free next week? It'll be good to catch up with you both.
come up against	phrasal verb	kʌm ʌp ə'genst		to have to deal with something difficult or unpleasant	We actually came up against a pretty difficult issue in the first week.
come up with	phrasal verb	kʌm ʌp wɪð		to think of something such as an idea or a plan	Is that really the best you can come up with ?
cut down on	phrasal verb	kʌt daʊn ɒn	kʌt daʊn ɒn	to reduce or start doing less of something, especially because it is bad for your health	I'm trying to cut down on sugar.
get along with	phrasal verb	get ə'lɒŋ wɪð	get ə'lɒŋ wɪð	have a good relationship with someone	I get along with both of my roommates.
get around to	phrasal verb	get ə'raʊnd tə	get ə'raʊnd tu	to do something after you have intended to do it for some time	I keep meaning to mow the lawn, but never seem to get around to it.
keep up with	phrasal verb	ki:p ʌp wɪð	kip ʌp wɪð	to continue to learn about something or find out about something	It's really difficult to keep up with everything that's happening currently.
look up to	phrasal verb	lʊk ʌp tə	lʊk ʌp tu	to admire and respect someone	She's a role model for other players to look up to .
run out of	phrasal verb	rʌn aʊt ɒv	rʌn aʊt ɒv	to not have any more of something	They ran out of gas fifteen miles from the airport.
stand up for	phrasal verb	stænd ʌp fɔ:(r)	stænd ʌp fɔr	to defend someone or something that is being criticized or attacked	Thanks for standing up for me in there – it got pretty heated!

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take care of	phrasal verb	teɪk keə(r) ɒv	teɪk ker əv	to look after someone or something	Who will take care of the children while you're away?
team up with	phrasal verb	tiːm ʌp wɪð	tɪm ʌp wɪð	to work together	We teamed up with a local charity.
Compound nouns					
car-sharing system	noun	'kɑː(r) ʃeərɪŋ 'sɪstəm	kɑr ʃerɪŋ 'sɪstəm	a system that helps people to share a car and travel together	My company is introducing a car-sharing system .
food bank	noun	fuːd bæŋk	fud bæŋk	a place where people in need can collect free food	The country is becoming increasingly reliant on food banks .
language exchange	noun	'læŋɡwɪdʒ ɪks'tʃeɪndʒ		a method of language learning in which people who speak different languages meet and practice together	I've met some good friends through language exchanges .
street party	noun	stri:t 'pɑː(r)ti	strɪt 'pɑrti	an outside social event organized by local residents	We had a street party to celebrate our World Cup win.
volunteer worker	noun	ˌvɒləntɪə(r) 'wɜː(r)kə(r)	ˌvɒləntɪr 'wɜrkər	a person who gives their time and work for free, often for charities	Volunteer workers help distribute food to the homeless.