

# BBC Learning English

## Quiznet

### *Phrasal verbs - or Working it out*



Based on Ask about English:

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1. We've only been sharing the flat for a few days. We haven't \_\_\_\_\_ who's going to do which bits of housework yet.
  - a) got up
  - b) got off
  - c) worked out
  - d) put down
  
2. We had to get our dog \_\_\_\_\_ last week. It had stomach cancer.
  - a) got up
  - b) put down
  - c) worked out
  - d) got off
  
3. Can you please stop \_\_\_\_\_ in front of others? It's so humiliating!
  - a) getting me up
  - b) getting off me
  - c) putting me down
  - d) working me out
  
4. And please \_\_\_\_\_ me!
  - a) work your arms out
  - b) get your hands off
  - c) get up
  - d) put down
  
5. As a first-time offender, he \_\_\_\_\_ with a caution rather than a fine.
  - a) got off
  - b) got up
  - c) worked out
  - d) put down
  
6. 'To work out' can mean ...
  - a) to figure out the meaning of an unfamiliar word through context
  - b) to be effective, satisfactory or to have a good result
  - c) to take strenuous and systematic exercise
  - d) any of the above

## ANSWERS:

1. We've only been sharing the flat for a few days. We haven't \_\_\_\_\_ who's going to do which bits of housework yet.

c) **worked out** – Well done, this is correct! Here 'to work out' means 'to discuss something in order to come to an agreement'.

2. We had to get our dog \_\_\_\_\_ last week. It had stomach cancer.

b) **put down** – Well done, this is correct! Here, 'to put down' means 'to kill an animal humanely to end its suffering'.

3. Can you please stop \_\_\_\_\_ in front of others? It's so humiliating!

c) **putting me down** – Well done, this is correct! Here 'to put someone down' means 'to criticise them in public'.

4. And please \_\_\_\_\_ me!

b) **get your hands off** – Well done, this is correct! Here 'to get something off' means 'to remove', 'to stop touching'.

5. As a first-time offender, he \_\_\_\_\_ with a caution rather than a fine.

a) **got off** – Well done, this is correct! Here 'to get off' means 'to escape punishment'.

6. 'To work out' can mean ...

d) **any of the above** – Well done, this is correct!

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