

PHRASAL VERBS WITH "SET"

I. Fill in the gaps using appropriate prepositions or adverbs.

1. The rains have **set**....early this year.
2. That strike **set**....a series of strikes and demonstrations throughout the country.
3. They hoped to arrive before dark as they had **set**....at four.
4. They **set**....for **Basle** at dawn.
5. In this book we **set**....to prove that pupils can learn phrasal verbs.
6. He **set**....a new record in the history of American football.
7. I did not like to depend on my father and so I **set**....on my own.
8. The Spanish civil war **set** family....family.
9. The sooner we **set**....it the sooner we shall finish it.
10. His mastery of language **sets** him....from other poets of his time.
11. The bad weather will **set**....our plans by several days.
12. The bus **set** the children....just before the school gate.
13. Fortunately the wound was treated before an infection could **set**....
14. They **set**....in search of the lost child.
15. If you dare approach my house, I shall **set** the dog....you.
16. Set....the chairs and tables for the meeting.
17. The council **set**....a committee to study the drug problem.
18. They got married and **set**....home together.
19. The gardens of the Palace had been beautifully **set**....for the occasion.
20. It is already ten o'clock, time to **set**....
21. Winter has **set**....early this year.
22. This speech **sets** him....from other MPs.
23. The search party **set**....in the hope of finding the lost boy.
24. They haven't **set**....working yet.
25. The boy wants his parents to divorce and is trying to **set** one....the other.

II. Replace the following phrasal verbs with another word or phrase of the same meaning.

1. The sooner we **set about** it, the sooner we'll finish.
2. Religious wars **set** family **against** family.
3. Winter has **set in** early this year.
4. That one demonstration **set off** a series throughout the country.
5. They **set off** at six and hoped to arrive before dark.
6. They **set out** for London at noon.
7. In this book the author **sets out** to prove that socialism is a necessary evil.
8. He **set up** a new record for the 2,000 metres.
9. When he got married he **set up** on his own.
10. It is time to **set about** our work.
11. The incident **set back** the talks for over a year.
12. They **set** our proposal **aside** describing it as pathetic.
13. The book **set** me **back** a couple of quid.

14. "Star Wars" was **set in** a far off galaxy.
15. The train stopped in Luton to **set down** some passengers.
16. They **set** their defeat in the world cup **down** to their lack of physical preparation.
17. The wind is **setting in** from the west.
18. A cold spell is **setting in** in Nevada.
19. The way he writes **sets** people thinking that he's a professional.
20. They **set out** to find the solution to the mystery.
21. She's the kind of woman who **sets** rumours **about**.
22. When I opened the door he **set** the dog **on** me.
23. He **set** my theory **aside** by saying it had no basis in fact.
24. She **sets** their divorce **down** to his lack of sensitivity.
25. The hunters **set** the dog **after** the rabbit.

III. Replace the words in *italics* with the appropriate phrasal verb.

1. It is time we *started* our work.
2. The incident *delayed* the talks for over a year.
3. The journey *cost me* a thousand dollars.
4. The film *took place* in New York.
5. The train stopped in **Bath** to *let* some passengers *off*.
6. He *puts* the loss of sales *down* to overpricing.
7. The wind is *blowing* from the north.
8. A warm spell is *beginning*.
9. They *started out* on a journey to Rome.
10. The dog knew I was a stranger and *attacked* me.
11. After graduating, he *established himself* as a dentist.
12. Before he retired he *established* his sons in business.
13. The strike has *provoked* a series of strikes throughout the country.
14. They hoped they'd arrive before dawn as they had *left* before three.
15. The council *established* a committee to study the problem.
16. *Arrange* the tables and chairs for the meeting.
17. The gardens had been *arranged* for the occasion.
18. They *left* in search of the their prey.
19. The bad weather will *delay* my plans to leave.
20. The rains have *started* early this year.
21. Winter has *begun* early this year.
22. That car must have *cost him* a lot of money
23. **President Kennedy** *put* the crisis *down* to Soviet policy.
24. That demonstration is likely to *provoke* many others around the country.
25. The government has *established* a committee to study the matter further.

IV. Fill in the gaps using one of the following phrasal verbs.

set in, set off, set out, set up, set on, set about, set aside, set back, set down

1. That demonstration **set**....a series of disturbances in the area.
2. They **set**....at six and hoped to arrive before dark.

3. Winter has **set**....early this year.
4. When he married he left his uncle's shop and **set**....on his own.
5. When she saw the burglars lurking in the shadows, she **set** her dog....them.
6. The film was **set**....a big city.
7. The sergeant **set**....a lot of explosives.
8. They **set**....to find a solution to the problem.
9. They **set**....for Rome at dawn.
10. He will be well **set**....in that business.
11. This leather jacket **set** me....£1,000.
12. We decided to **set**....an association in order to build a charity centre.
13. It's time we **set**....our work.
14. The judge **set** his request....
15. The incident **set**....the talks for over a month.
16. He's made up his mind and he's **set**....his purpose.
17. The soldier **set**....the explosives.
18. The directions are **set**....clearly.
19. The dog suddenly **set**....me.
20. They have **set**....an association in order to defend themselves.
21. The soldiers didn't **set**....to frighten the villagers.
22. They are going to **set**....an association.
23. We're leaving, we are going to **set**....at six.
24. She **set**....preparing the dinner.
25. The accident **set**....the **set**tlement for over a year.

ANSWER KEY

KEY TO I		
1. in	9. about	18. up
2. off	10. apart	19. out
3. off/out	11. back	20. out/off/to
4. out	12. down	21. in
5. out	13. in	22. apart
6. up	14. out	23. out
7. up/out	15. on	24. about
8. against	16. out/up	25. against
	17. up	

KEY TO II		
1. start	9. established himself	18. becoming
2. put families in opposition	10. start	established
3. arrived	11. delayed	19. makes people think
4. started	12. ignored	20. took steps
5. left	13. cost	21. spreads
6. left	14. took place	22. made .. attack me
7. intends	15. let off	23. discarded
8. established	16. blamed on	24. blames on
	17. starting to blow	25. sent the dog in pursuit of
KEY TO III		
1. set about	10. set on	19. set back
2. set back	11. set himself up	20. set in
3. set me back	12. set up	21. set in
4. was set	13. set off	22. set him back
5. set .. down	14. set out/off	23. set .. down
6. set .. down	15. set up	24. set off
7. setting in	16. set out/up	25. set up
8. setting in	17. set out	
9. set out/off	18. set out	
KEY TO IV		
1. off	9. out/off	18. out/down
2. out/off	10. up	19. about
3. in	11. back	20. up
4. up	12. up	21. out
5. on	13. about	22. up
6. in	14. aside	23. out/off
7. off	15. back	24. about
8. out	16. on	25. back
	17. off	

Next...**STAND**

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John Ferdinand Kennedy, 35th US President

Basel (German: Basel ['ba:zɪ]; French: Bâle [ba:l]; Italian: Basilea [bazi'le:a]) is a city in northwestern Switzerland on the river Rhine. Basel is Switzerland's third-most-populous city (after Zürich and Geneva) with about 175,000 inhabitants.

Bath (/ˈbɑːθ/ or /ˈbæθ/) is the largest city in the ceremonial county of Somerset, England, known for its Roman-built baths. In 2011, the population was 88,859.[1] Bath is in the valley of the River Avon, 97 miles (156 km) west of London and 11 miles (18 km) south-east of Bristol. The city became a World Heritage Site in 1987.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy (May 29, 1917 – November 22, 1963), commonly referred to by his initials JFK, was an American statesman who served as the 35th President of the United States from January 1961 until his assassination in November 1963. Kennedy served at the height of the Cold War, and much of his presidency focused on managing relations with the Soviet Union. He was a member of the Democratic Party who represented Massachusetts in the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate prior to becoming president.

