

Unit 21 Just looking

Phrasal verbs with *look*

Learn the expressions

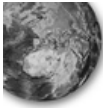
1 The unit title is an idiom that means you're shopping, but not going to buy something. Let's look at some phrasal verbs with *look*. Read the sentences. Choose the phrasal verb in the box that can replace the word or phrase in boldface. Then check your answers on this page.

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look into	look out	look over	look up	look up to

- I get the feeling the Andersons **think they're better than** their neighbors just because they have a big car. _____
- The police are using dogs to **investigate** the mysterious disappearance of a prominent community leader. _____
- Sara and her brother always smile when they **remember** their childhood trips to visit their grandparents. _____
- The hospital requires that all of the doctors **pay a short visit to** their patients first thing in the morning. _____
- I've just updated my resume. Could you **examine** it for me **quickly** to make sure it's OK? _____
- I really **admire and respect** my older sister, so I was very excited when she got accepted to the school she wanted to attend. _____
- Be careful!** You almost hit that car. Would you please keep your eyes on the road? _____
- Who's going to **take care of** your cats while you're away? _____
- Things have begun to **improve** for Kristy since she found a job. _____
- They say that first-time boat owners **are very excited about** taking their boats out on long trips. But many people end up selling their boats before long because they're so expensive to maintain. _____

Answer Key

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| 1. look down on | 6. look up to |
| 2. look into | 7. look out |
| 3. look back on | 8. look after |
| 4. look in on | 9. look up |
| 5. look over | 10. look forward to |



Use the expressions

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the phrasal verbs in the box.

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- I think the kids are old enough to stay home alone, but I've asked the neighbors to _____ them from time to time.
- _____! You almost stepped in that anthill. Those are red ants, too, and they have an awful sting.
- There were two charges on my credit card that I don't remember making. The company has promised to _____ it. I wonder what they'll find out.
- I have to go out of town for a few days. Would you _____ my dog while I'm gone?
- John has accomplished a lot, so he should feel very proud when he _____ the past 10 years of his life.
- Would you do me a favor and _____ this letter before I send it? This is a very important client, and I want to be sure I've said all the right things.
- How is life treating you? You weren't doing very well the last time I talked to you, but judging from your cheery mood, I guess things have started to _____.
- Please try to be kinder to your cousin. You know she _____, and it hurts her feelings when you don't include her in your plans.
- You must be _____ your year in the United Kingdom.! Not everyone is given the opportunity to study overseas. Lucky you!
- Don't _____ on this job opportunity. I know the salary is not that impressive, but the company is very successful and you never know what connections you might make there.

Make the expressions your own

3 Write about the following situations.

- What is something you look back on with satisfaction, but that was difficult for you at first?
- Who is someone you look up to? What influence have they had in your life?
- What is something you look forward to in the future?