

The Oxford Phrase List™

The Oxford Phrase List is a list of 750 common phrases from A1 to C1 level. It includes idioms, phrasal verbs, compounds, collocations, prepositional phrases and other common fixed phrases.

A1

a few

a few minutes
a few times
a few years

a good idea

Good idea!
It's a good idea to...
That's a good idea!

agree with sb

a little

a little help
a little money
a little sugar

a lot

a lot to do

a lot of sth

all day

all night

all over the world

anything else

anyone else

a period of time

around the world

arrive at...

arrive in...

ask for sth

at home

at school

at the beginning of sth

at the end

at the end of sth

at the moment

at the same time

at the weekend

at university

at work

away from sb/sth

bad for sb/sth

bad news

bad thing

the bad things about sth

because of

begin with sth

be going to do sth

best friend

black and white

car park

cell phone

city centre

in the city centre

come from...

come into sth

He came into the room.

differences between A and B

difficult for sb

it is difficult for sb to do sth

each other

end in sth

every day

every week

every year

excuse me

family member

find out

find out about sth

find out more

for a long time

a long time

for a moment

for example

for lunch

for many years

for the first time

get home

get married

get off

get off the bus

I'm getting off here.

get on

get on the bus

Are you getting on?

get ready

get ready for sth

get ready to do sth

get there

get to...

get up

go back

go back to...

go home

go into sth

She went into her room.

good at sth

good for sb/sth

Good morning

Good afternoon

Good evening

good news

good thing

the good things about sth

go out

go to bed

go to school

go to work

grow up

Guess what...

half an hour

hard work

have fun

have got

have time

have time for sth

have time to do sth

he or she

high school

his or her

How about...?

How are you?

How long...?

How many...?

How much...?

How often...?

I guess

important for sb/sth

It is important for sb/sth to do sth

I'm sorry

in April

in July, etc.

in bed

in class

in fact

in front of

in my opinion

in school

in space

in summer

in winter

in the centre

in the centre of sth

in the country

I live in the country.

the best... in the country

in the future

in the morning

in the afternoon

in the evening

in the north

in the south

in the east

in the west

in the past

in the street

in the summer

in the winter

in town

it is important to do sth

It takes...

It takes an hour to get there.

kind of sb/sth

What kind of music do you like?

know how

know how to do sth

last time

the last time

last year

last month

last summer

last week

last weekend

learn how to do sth

listen to sb/sth

live with sb

living room

look at sb/sth

look for sb/sth

look like sb/sth

lots of...

millions of...

mobile phone

more than...

next time

next year

next month

next week

No problem

of course

Oh no!

Oh yes

once a...

once a month

once a week

once a year

one day

on holiday

on Monday

on Tuesday, etc.

on television

on the television

on the beach

on the floor

on the internet

on the left

on the right

on the phone

be on the phone

talk on the phone

on TV

out of sth

over there

pay for sth

phone call

phone number

plan for sth

make plans for sth

What are you plans for next year?

play with sb/sth

post office

pretty good

really enjoy

I really enjoyed it.

really good

really like

I'd really like to...

right now

See you

See you around

See you later

See you soon

sit down

someone else
 something else
 speak to sb
 spend time
 spend time doing sth
 spend time with sb
 stand up
 stay in
 stay in a hotel
 stay in bed
 I'm staying in tonight.
 such as
 swimming pool
 talk about sb/sth
 thank you
 thank you very much
 that day
 the 20th century
 the 21st century
 the 19th century
 the next day
 there is
 there are
 there was
 there were
 think about sb/sth
 think of sb/sth
 This is...
 This is my dad.
 this kind of...
 this morning
 this afternoon
 this evening
 this time
 this year
 this summer
 this weekend
 thousands of...
 too long
 too far
 too hard
 too much
 too many
 town centre
 in the town centre
 TV show
 wait for sb/sth
 wake up
 welcome to sth
 What about...?
 work as sth
 work for sb/sth
 work hard
 work together
 work together for sth
 work together to do sth
 work with sb
 would like
 I would like...
 I would like to...
 Would you like...?
 X hours a day
 X times a...
 X times a day
 X times a week
 X years ago
 X days ago
 X months ago
 X weeks ago

X years later
 X days later
 X minutes later
 X years old
 You're welcome

A2
 a bit
 able to do sth
 a couple of sth
 add to sth
 again and again
 all about...
 Tell me all about it.
 all kinds of...
 all over...
 all over the world
 all sorts of...
 all the time
 a long time ago
 a long way
 a number of sth
 a large number of sth
 apply for sth
 art gallery
 as a result
 as a result of sth
 as part of sth
 as part of a team
 as soon as
 as well
 as well as sb/sth
 at first
 at least
 at the age of...
 at the start of sth
 at the time
 at that time
 at the time of sth
 at the top
 at the top of sth
 based on sth
 be allowed to do sth
 believe in sb/sth
 belong to sb
 belong to sth
 be made of sth
 by the end of sth
 care about sth
 carry on
 carry on with sth
 carry sth out
 check in
 check in at...
 check sth in
 check out
 check out of sth
 climate change
 close to sb/sth
 come back
 Come on!
 connected to sth
 connected with sb/sth
 credit card
 deal with sb
 deal with sth

depend on sb/sth
 depend on sb/sth for sth
 depend on sth
 do well
 each one
 end with sth
 even more...
 even more difficult
 even more exciting
 everyone else
 except for
 fall in love
 fall in love with sb
 fall off
 fall off sth
 far away
 feel good
 feel like sth
 fill sth in
 find it difficult to do sth
 first of all
 focus on sb/sth
 followed by sb/sth
 for the rest of sth
 for this reason
 get back
 get better
 get lost
 get out
 get out of sth
 give up
 give sth up
 go and...
 go and get help
 go away
 go down
 Prices are going down.
 go down sth
 Go down the road.
 go for sth
 go for a walk
 go up
 Prices are going up.
 good luck
 happen to sb/sth
 happy with sb/sth
 have a look
 have a look at sth
 have got to
 Have you ever...?
 health problems
 hear about sb/sth
 I don't care
 if necessary
 if you want to
 I'm afraid...
 I mean
 in business
 in danger
 in history
 the first time in history
 in hospital
 in love
 in love with sb
 in prison
 in some cases
 instead of
 in the air

in the end
 in the middle
 in the middle of sth
 in the same way
 in this way
 it depends
 it all depends
 I think so
 I don't think so
 lead to sth
 less than...
 Let me...
 Let me help you.
 let me know
 look after sb/sth/yourself
 look back at sth
 Look back at your notes.
 look sth up
 make a mistake
 make money
 make sense
 make sure
 make sure of sth
 make sure that...
 much better
 not at all
 I didn't enjoy it at all.
 no way
 No way!
 There is no way (that)...
 Oh dear
 Oh well
 old friend
 on earth
 on the ground
 on the other side
 on the other side of sth
 on the wall
 on time
 on top of sth/sb
 one or two
 ordinary people
 pay attention
 pay attention to sb/sth
 per hour
 kilometres per hour
 miles per hour
 pick sb/sth up
 police officer
 police station
 public transport
 put sth on
 quite a lot
 quite a lot of sth
 reasons why
 refer to sb/sth
 refer to sb/sth as sth
 report on sth
 respond to sth/sb
 save money
 science fiction
 search for sth/sb
 so that...
 solution to sth
 sort of sth
 What sorts of things do you do?
 sound like sb/sth

start with sb/sth
 such a/an...
 such a good idea
 take care of sb/sth/yourself
 take off
 take sth off
 take part
 take part in sth
 take place
 the best thing
 the best thing to do
 the first thing
 the first thing I did
 the following...
 the following day
 the important thing
 the most important thing
 the other side of sth
 the other side of the world
 the rest of sth
 the rest of the world
 these days
 they say...
 They say you can't buy happiness.
 throw sth away
 turn sth off
 turn sth on
 up and down
 Why not...?
 work out
 worried about sb/sth
 would love to do sth
 write sth down

B1

a bit more
 a bit of sth
 access to sth
 after all
 a great deal
 a great deal better
 a great deal of sth
 aim to do sth
 a kind of...
 I had a kind of feeling this might happen.
 a little bit
 a little more
 along with sb/sth
 a lot more
 alternative to sth
 and so on
 apart from
 a range of sth
 a wide range of sth
 as if...
 as if nothing had happened
 as much as
 as soon as possible
 at last
 at risk
 at times
 attached to sb/sth
 a variety of sth
 be about to do sth

be going on
 What's going on?
 be known as sb/sth
 benefit from sth
 be supposed to do sth
 be supposed to be sth
 break up
 break up with sb
 by the time (that)...
 can't afford sth
 can't afford to do sth
 care for sb
 caused by sth
 check sb/sth out
 choose to do sth
 clean up
 clean sth up
 click on sth
 come up with sth
 compared with sth
 concentrate on sth
 consist of sb/sth
 decide on sth
 depending on
 developing countries
 due to sb/sth
 economic growth
 end up
 even if
 even though
 exactly the same
 experience in sth
 fail to do sth
 fall asleep
 far more
 far more important
 far more opportunities
 far too
 far too much homework
 fed up
 for a while
 for free
 for instance
 for life
 a job for life
 for long
 for some time
 get on with sb
 get to know sb
 get used to sth
 get used to doing sth
 global warming
 go ahead
 go ahead with sth
 go wrong
 growth in sth
 have no idea
 have sth in common
 have sth in common with sb
 have sth in common with sth
 hear of sb/sth
 heart disease
 high street
 higher education
 if I were you
 in addition
 in addition to sb/sth

in case...
 just in case...
 in charge of sb/sth
 in contrast
 in contrast to sb/sth
 in favour of sb/sth
 in general
 in order of sth
 in order to do sth
 in other words
 in particular
 in public
 in recent years
 in response to sth
 in terms of sth
 in the case of sth
 in the form of sb/sth
 in the way (that)...
 in this case
 in time
 in time for sth
 in time to do sth
 in touch
 be in touch
 get in touch
 keep in touch
 in touch with sb
 I wonder if...
 leave sb/sth out
 likely to do sth
 look forward to sth
 look out
 make a difference
 make sth up
 manage to do sth
 mean to do sth
 I didn't mean to.
 more and more
 move on
 move on to sth
 no longer
 not any longer
 no more than...
 not even
 I didn't even see it.
 not necessarily
 not only
 not only... but also...
 on a regular basis
 on my own
 on their own
 on your own
 on the other hand
 on the street
 on the streets
 on the way
 or something
 or somebody
 or somewhere
 or two
 a day or two
 a moment or two
 a pound or two
 ought to
 out there
 over the years
 over time
 participate in sth

point of view
 point out
 point sth out
 point out that...
 prepared to do sth
 primary school
 prime minister
 put sth up
 quite a...
 quite a good player
 quite a long time
 raise money
 raise money for sth
 rather than
 reaction to sth
 relate to sb/sth
 relating to sb/sth
 related to sb/sth
 respect for sb/sth
 result in sth
 rise in sth
 a rise in the number of visitors
 run out
 run out of sth
 search engine
 secondary school
 set sth up
 slow down
 so far
 some kind of...
 succeed in doing sth
 suffer from sth
 sum up
 sum sth up
 sure to do sth
 take sb/sth on
 take up sth
 take up too much room
 take sth up
 take up golf
 tell the truth
 tend to do sth
 tend to be sth
 thanks to sb/sth
 that's it
 the case
 be the case that...
 the fact that...
 those who...
 There are those who say...
 to do with sb/sth
 be to do with sb/sth
 have to do with sb/sth
 together with
 too bad
 try and...
 turn out
 turn out to be sth
 turn sth up
 unable to do sth
 up to sth
 up to 60 miles per hour
 way of life
 well known
 work on sth
 work sth out
 wrong with sb/sth
 you see

B2

a bit of a...
account for sth
accused of sth
act as sth
aimed at sb
aimed at doing sth
all the way
a means of sth
 a means of communication
 a means of transport
appeal to sb
apply to sb/sth
as a whole
as far as I am concerned
as follows...
as for sb/sth
as long as...
associated with sth
 associated with doing sth
as though...
at once
at present
at some point
at the end of the day
at this point
at this stage
awareness of sth
back sb/sth up
be charged with sth
 be charged with doing sth
be derived from sth
be expected to do sth
be known to do sth
be made up of sth
be surrounded by sb/sth
be to blame
 be to blame for sth
both sides
 both sides of the argument
 on both sides
bound to do sth
 bound to be sth
bring sb up
by now
call for sth
case study
come across sb/sth
come true
 a dream come true
concerned about sth
concerned with sth
confidence in sb/sth
contribute to sth
control over sb/sth
cope with sth
decline in sth
 a decline in student numbers
dependent on sb/sth

despite the fact that...
draw attention to sb/sth
engage in sth
engaged in sth
ever since(...)
exposure to sth
far from sth
 far from doing sth
figure sb/sth out
find yourself doing sth
get in
 get into sth
 The train got in late.
get over sth/sb
 You'll get over it.
get rid of sb/sth
go off
 She went off to get a drink.
 A bomb went off.
 The alarm went off.
 The lights went off.
go on to do sth
go through sth
had better
hang on
human being
human rights
if only...
I have to say...
in action
in advance
in an attempt to do sth
in a way that...
in part
in place
in relation to sb/sth
in spite of sth
in the first place
in the near future
in turn
investment in sth
I would say...
loads of sb/sth
mental health
more or less
no doubt
no matter...
 no matter how...
 no matter what...
nothing but
on board
once again
one another
on the basis of sth
on the one hand
opposed to sth
or so
other than
potential for sth
pretty much
prior to

prove to be sth
put sth forward
put sth together
quality of life
ranging from
 prices ranging from €25 to €60
regarded as sth
relevant to sb/sth
rely on sb/sth
role model
set out
short of sth
so as to do sth
something like...
sort sb/sth/yourself out
stick to sth
subject to sth
take advantage of sb/sth
take sth into account
take over
 take over from sb
that is
the vast majority of sth
turn into sth
up to sb
when it comes to sth
 when it comes to doing sth
whether or not...
would rather...

C1

above all
all but
all the more
as far as sb/sth is concerned
as of...
as opposed to
as such
as to sth
 as to how...
 as to whether...
at the expense of sb/sth
at the hands of sb
back and forth
bear sb/sth in mind
 bear in mind that...
 keep sb/sth in mind
 keep in mind that...
be attributed to sb
be entitled to sth
be found to do sth
be meant to do sth
be reported to be sth
 be reported to have sth
be said to be sth
 be said to have sth
bring sth about
bring sth up
by means of sth

by no means
call on sb
 call on sb to do sth
consistent with sth
dedicated to sth
deprive sb/sth of sth
dispose of sb/sth
follow sth up
for that matter
for the benefit of sb
for the sake of sb/sth
get away with sth
given that...
have sb/sth in mind
 have sb/sth in mind for sth
have nothing to do with sb/sth
 be nothing to do with sb/sth
in accordance with sth
in any case
in a position to do sth
in conjunction with sb/sth
in connection with sb/sth
in effect
in full
in line with sth
in practice
in respect of sth
in such a way (that)...
in the absence of sb/sth
in the course of...
in the event of sth
in the face of sth
in the hands of sb
in the light of sth
 in light of sth
in the meantime
in the midst of sth
in the presence of sb
 in the presence of sth
in the wake of sb/sth
involvement in sth
let alone
little more than...
live on sth
may well
nothing like
not to mention
on behalf of sb
on the part of sb
over the course of...
put it
 How shall I put it?
seek to do sth
set to do sth
the extent to which...
to date
 his best work to date
up against sth
with regard to sb/sth
with respect to sth
with the exception of sb/sth