

ENGLISH PREPOSITIONS | Prepositions with phrasal verbs 2

Complete each phrasal verb with the correct preposition:

1. Do you think your gamble will pay _____? (= result in profit/success)
a) up b) off c) on
2. We saw Susan _____ last night. = We said goodbye to Susan last night.
a) up b) off c) on
3. He said he'd be done by 9, but he ended _____ finishing after 11.
a) up b) away c) in
4. You have to be careful with these merchants. They will rip you _____. (= cheat you)
a) up b) away c) off
5. Microsoft laid _____ 500 employees. = 500 employees of Microsoft lost their job.
a) up b) away c) off
6. You should look that word _____ in the dictionary.
a) up b) on c) off
7. Stop picking _____ him. = Stop harassing him.
a) into b) on c) out
8. The CEO played _____ (= minimized the importance of) the drop in earnings.
a) out b) off c) down
9. Hold _____. = Wait.
a) into b) on c) out
10. They called _____ the event because of bad weather.
a) up b) on c) off

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ANSWERS:

1. b
2. b
3. a
4. c
5. c
6. a
7. b
8. c
9. b
10. c