



# Relationships: vocabulary and grammar activities for Valentine's Day



## Worksheet

- **Aims:** to learn and practise using phrasal verbs related to relationships; to practise asking and answering subject and object questions
- **Materials:** a copy of the worksheet for each student or group (or project the worksheet on the whiteboard)
- **Language/Skills Focus:** vocabulary acquisition, grammar consolidation, speaking and/or writing skills

### PART ONE: Phrasal verbs

1. Look at the phrasal verbs in sentences 1-8. Then complete the list below using the correct structures.

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| 1. Tom <b>asked</b> Emma <b>out</b> on Valentine's Day. | 5. She couldn't <b>put up with</b> him any longer!    |
| 2. She <b>went out</b> with him for a few weeks.        | 6. Emma <b>split up</b> with Tom at the end of March. |
| 3. At first she <b>got on</b> well with him.            | 7. He wanted to <b>get back together</b> .            |
| 4. But then he <b>fell out</b> with her.                | 8. She wasn't ready to <b>settle down</b> .           |

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| 1. <i>ask someone out</i> .....     | 5. .... |
| 2. <i>go out with someone</i> ..... | 6. .... |
| 3. ....                             | 7. .... |
| 4. ....                             | 8. .... |

2. Match definitions a-h with phrasal verbs 1-8 in exercise 1.

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| a. like each other, be friendly, enjoy each other's company  | a. .... |
| b. stop being friendly with someone because you have a disagreement  | b. .... |
| c. invite someone to go with you to a cinema, restaurant, etc, because you want to start a romantic relationship with them | c. .... |
| d. accept someone or something you don't like in a patient way   | d. .... |
| e. have a romantic relationship with someone and spend time together   | e. .... |
| f. start having a relationship again, after ending the relationship  | f. .... |
| g. live a quieter life, for example, in a permanent relationship   | g. .... |
| h. end a romantic relationship   | h. .... |



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3. Choose the correct phrasal verb to complete gaps 1-6 in the dialogue.



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| (1) a) asked out   | b) split up    | c) got on            |
| (2) a) fell out    | b) put up with | c) settled down      |
| (3) a) went out    | b) split up    | c) got back together |
| (4) a) going out   | b) asking out  | c) falling out       |
| (5) a) split up    | b) get on      | c) put up with       |
| (6) a) settle down | b) fall out    | c) split up          |

Rob: Hey - did you hear that Tina and Ricky have (1) .....? They (2) .....  
.... because he didn't send her a Valentine's card.

Will: Yeah - but that was yesterday! Today they (3) .....

Rob: Really? I didn't know.

Will: Yes - he convinced her that February 14th is all about commercial exploitation, and he loves her every day, not just on Valentine's Day!!

Rob: Cool! So, what about you? Are you still (4) ..... with Sarah?

Will: Yeah - we (5) ..... really well together!

Rob: Great! But just remember that you're too young to (6) .....!;-)

4. Complete the questions with particles from the box. You can use them more than once.



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| on | out | down | up |
|----|-----|------|----|

1. Have you ever asked a classmate .....

2. What sort of person do you get ..... best with?

3. Would you ever split ..... with someone by text or on social media?

4. Describe a situation when you fell ..... with a friend or boy/girlfriend.

5. Name three things that you would never put ..... with in a relationship.

6. In your opinion, what is the best age to settle .....



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5. In pairs, ask and answer the questions in exercise 3.

*No, I haven't. I've never been out with someone from my class.*

**EXTENSION:** Find the meaning of these phrasal verbs related to relationships. You can use a dictionary to help you. Then write an example sentence for each one.

fall for    hit it off with    cheat on    drift apart    make up with

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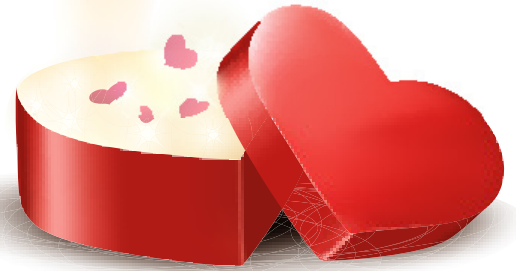
### PART TWO: Subject and object questions

1. Look at the information about subject and object questions.  
How would you translate the questions into your language?

**Brad** loves **Angela**.

**subject** question: Who loves Angela? **Brad**.

**object** question: Who does Brad love? **Angela**.



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2. Write subject and object questions for sentences 1-4. Use **Who** for people and **What** for things.

1. Tom asked Emma out.

subject question: ..... ? Tom.

object question: ..... ? Emma.

2. Emma gave Tom a Valentine's present.

subject question: ..... ? Emma.

object question: ..... ? Tom.

3. Max married Eve last year.

subject question: ..... ? Max.

object question: ..... ? Eve.

4. Max and Eve bought a villa in Ibiza.

subject question: ..... ? Max and Eve.

object question: ..... ? A villa in Ibiza.



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3 Read the information. Then answer questions 1-8. Are they subject or object questions?

### WHO'S HOT?

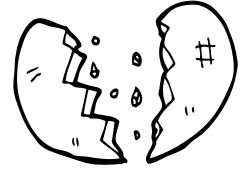
**I**t's official! The singer Jack G has got back together with his ex-girlfriend Maria Jones. Apparently they're planning to settle down in Marbella, where Jack bought a mansion recently.



**A**ctor Ana Rich celebrated her engagement to Billy Badd at a grand party last night, where she showed off her spectacular diamond ring!

### WHO'S NOT?

**F**ootballer Freddie Foot announced that he has split up with his girlfriend, the dancer Dora Spin. He didn't give details but there are rumours that Dora had bought a number of expensive gifts for her bodyguard recently.



**T**V stars Jemima and Noah Bigg fell out publicly last week during a live chat show, when Jemima confessed that she can't put up with Noah's addiction to plastic surgery any longer.

1. Who did Jack G get back together with? .....
2. What did Jack buy recently? .....
3. Who got engaged to Billy Badd last night? .....
4. What did Billy give Ana? .....
5. Who split up with Dora Spin? .....
6. Who bought gifts for her bodyguard? .....
7. Who fell out during a TV chat show? .....
8. What did Noah spend his money on? .....

**EXTENSION:** Write one more paragraph for the text in exercise 3. Then write a subject and an object question about your new text. Exchange the text with a classmate and answer the questions.

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