

Advanced phrasal verb challenge day 4 exercise

Make sentences with phrasal verbs. You might need to change the tense. If it's possible, put the object in the middle.

1. She spent the day _____ (wasting time doing things that aren't important) and didn't do any work.
2. The exam board have _____ (made something simpler / the test).
3. He _____ (made something simpler / the report) for a TV audience.
4. She _____ (took someone apart from a group to talk privately / the children) to ask them what happened.
5. They _____ (made something simpler / the documentary).
6. It doesn't take him long to _____ (calm down after being angry). He gets angry quickly and calms down quickly.
7. The boss _____ (took someone apart from a group to talk privately / Luke).
8. I want to go to the office and _____ (try to understand a situation or person / it).

9. We walked around and _____ (tried to understand a situation or person / the staff).
10. He's so productive – he hardly ever _____ (wastes time doing things that aren't important).
11. After I _____ (calmed down after being angry), I saw that she was right.
12. She _____ (tried to understand a situation or person / the situation) very quickly and knew how to behave.
13. I feel like I spend a lot of time _____ (wasting time doing things that aren't important) on the internet.
14. It took me a long time to _____ (calm down after being angry) after that fight.
15. I can't _____ (try to understand a situation or person / him).
16. Leave them to _____ (calm down after being angry) and let's talk again in the morning.
17. You need to _____ (take someone apart from a group to talk privately / Amanda) and find out what she thinks.
18. They _____ (wasted time doing things that aren't important) all weekend.
19. They have _____ (made something simpler / this book). The old edition was more complex.
20. He _____ (took someone apart from a group to talk privately / me) to talk about a gift for my mother.

Answers

1. She spent the day faffing around and didn't do any work.
2. The exam board have dumbbed the test down.
3. He dumbbed the report down for a TV audience.
4. She pulled the children aside to ask them what happened.
5. They dumbbed the documentary down.
6. It doesn't take him long to simmer down. He gets angry quickly and calms down quickly.
7. The boss pulled Luke aside.
8. I want to go to the office and suss it out.
9. We walked around and sussed the staff out.
10. He's so productive – he hardly ever faffs around.
11. After I simmered down, I saw that she was right.
12. She sussed the situation out very quickly and knew how to behave.
13. I feel like I spend a lot of time faffing around on the internet.
14. It took me a long time to simmer down after that fight.
15. I can't suss him out.
16. Leave them to simmer down and let's talk again in the morning.
17. You need to pull Amanda aside and find out what she thinks.
18. They faffed around all weekend.
19. They have dumbbed this book down. The old edition was more complex.
20. He pulled me aside to talk about a gift for my mother.