



## Advanced phrasal verb challenge day 4

faff around (type 1)

(waste time doing things that aren't important)

Stop faffing around! We are going to be late.

I feel like I fuffed around all day and I didn't do anything that I needed to do.

pull aside (type 2)

(take someone apart from a group to talk to him or her privately)

I must pull James aside. I want to talk about a surprise for Julia.

The boss pulled her aside and asked her for her opinion.

suss out (type 2)

(try to understand a situation or person)

I walked around the town and sussed out the best places to work.

She has already sussed him out.

dumb down (type 2)

(make something simpler, not in a good way)

They have dumbed exams down in the last ten years.

Don't dumb your explanations down for me.

simmer down (type 1)

(calm down after being angry)

Perhaps he'll simmer down and agree with us later.

After an argument, I need a long time to simmer down.