

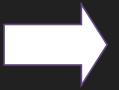
5 Phrasal Verbs to Talk About Money

A Phrasal Verb Lesson

Our Method

Step 1

Listen to a real Conversation



Step 2

Focus on New Vocabulary Words



Step 3

Listen to a dialogue



Step 6

Practice with a native speaker



Step 5

Use Your New Skills



Step 4

Focus on phrases

Step 1: What's Your Money Philosophy?



Please listen to Audio Step 1 – What's Your Money Philosophy

What are the rules for asking about money in your country? Has anyone asked you an inappropriate question about money before? How did you respond?

Please view Transcript Step 1- What's Your Money
Philosophy

Step 2: Focus on New Vocabulary Words

Scrape by

To run up a bill

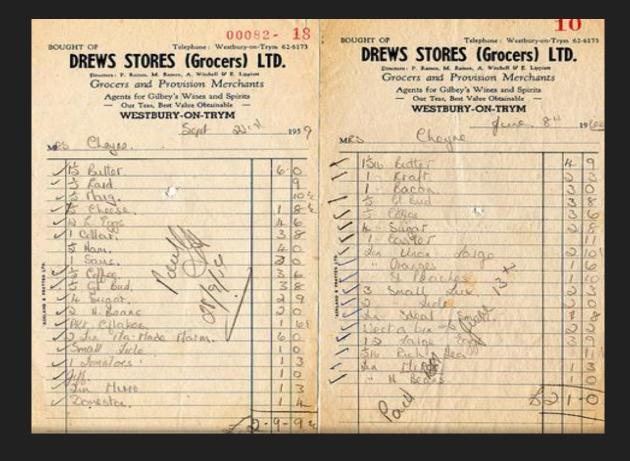
To pay off

To save up

To buy up

To run up a bill

phrasal verb



Definition: To cause the bill to get higher and higher

"Wow. I had no idea we ran up such a high bill at dinner last night. I'm definitely not eating for the rest of the week."

To pay off

phrasal verb



Definition: To give money in return of services or a product.

"I'm the happiest person alive today! I finally paid off all of my credit cards. What a relief!"

To save up

Phrasal verb



Definition: To accumulate money for future use.

"I have been saving up for our trip to Mexico next month. I have almost hit my goal!"

To scrape by

Phrasal verb



Definition: To make just enough money to cover the basics but no more than that.

"We are barely scraping by and we only have enough money for the basics."

To buy up

phrasal verb



Definition: To buy the supply of, to buy excessively

"My budget is so tight! I think I'm going to buy up all of these TV dinners since they are on sale."

Step 3:Broke in New York

Listen to Audio Steps 3
 and 4-Broke in New York
 where two people talk
 about their money
 situations.



Step 4: Focus on the Vocabulary Phrases

- Learn the new vocabulary in context!
- Please open Transcript
 Steps 3 and 4 Broke in
 New York.

- "I am just scraping by."
- "Right! I wish I could save up"
- "I am still paying off student loans."
- "Do you go out at night and run up a bill?"
- "...and buy up all of the cereal and peanut butter"

Step 5: Use Your New Skills

A: Have you ever had to _1_ (be careful with little money) before?

B: Yeah! I was _2_ (making payments) student

loans for many years. I would _3_ (purchase)

anything on sale while I could.

Scrape by

To run up a bill

A: Yeah I know what you mean. I had to _4_ (not spend money) a lot of money before I could even go to school. I still have loans outstanding too.

To pay off

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B: Yeah, it's not easy. Especially trying to not _5_ (spend a lot) a bill while trying to have fun while you're in college.

Answers to Step 5 Quiz

- 1. to scrape by
- 2. paying off
- 3. buy up
- 4. to save up
- 5. run up a bill

To scrape by



Prepare Your Vocabulary Cards

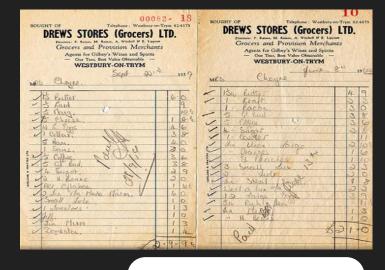


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- Have you ever felt bad that a friend couldn't go out because they were tight on money and just getting by? Or maybe it was you in that situation. Did you miss something fun because you didn't have enough money?
- Name one thing that you are saving up for? Why is that thing important to you?

Bonus Conversation 1: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

- A: (student) Hey! So where were you last night? We had so much fun. We missed you.
- B: Yeah, sorry, I couldn't make it. To be perfectly honest, I'm just ____ (scraping by). I just couldn't justify going out last night.
- A: Ah, that stinks. I have been there before. Are you ____(saving up) for something?
- B: Not really, I just have way too many payments to make. I can't afford to go out too often.

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Practice with a Native

- Have you ever accidentally spent more than you should have and received a huge bill? What happened and were you able to pay it off quickly?
- Do you like to buy up items you see on sale? When was the last time you stocked up on sale items and what was it?

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

- A: (student) Oh no! I just checked my credit card statement from last night. I can't believe I ____(ran up) a bill like this.
- B: Oh, I've been there! It's so easy to spend money. I'm sure you will be able to ____(pay it off) quickly though.
- A: I don't know about that. I better get to the store and ___(buy up) everything on sale. I will be staying in for a while!

Answers to Bonus Conversation 2

Bonus Conversation 2: Please use the phrases from Say It Another Way (A= friend, B= friend)

A: (student) Oh no! I just checked my credit card statement from last night. I can't believe I threw my money around like this!

B: Oh, I've been there! It's so easy to spend money. I'm sure you will be able to pay it quickly though.

A: I don't know about that. I better get to the store and stock up on everything on sale. I will be staying in for a while!

- Have you ever been in a situation in life where you were just scraping by? What did you do to get out of that situation?
- What types of tough money situations have you been in before? Did you find a way out?
- Have you ever had to say "no" to something because you simply could afford it? On that same note,
 did you buy something you should have said "no" to?
- How do you ensure you don't spend all your money, but still have fun?

- What is the money "situation" in your country? For example, do people generally get to do what they want, within reason, or are most people just scraping by?
- What do you do to mange to keep on budget each month?
- What are some of your tricks for spending less and saving more? Do you buy things on sale? Do you save a certain amount each month?
- What would be your piece for advice for someone who spends too much money?
- Do you agree or disagree with this quote and why? "Money is freedom."

Do you think that money can buy happiness? Why or why not?

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