



6 SMELTER: FIRST IMPRESSIONS

4 PHRASAL VERBS

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1)	He ___ from working too much in the heat.	<i>passed out</i>
2)	I'll take the new job if somebody can ___ for a couple of days.	<i>break me in</i>
3)	The more the problems ___, the more stressed I get.	<i>pile up</i>
4)	When I was trying to park the car, I ___ some kid's bicycle.	<i>knocked down</i>
5)	The junk in my purse is ___. I should clean it out.	<i>piling up</i>

USE OF ENGLISH

- 1) shot down** (6th par) The verb is similar in meaning to go very fast and the particle (up, down or across) emphasizes the direction.
Ex: *She ****shot**** across the room as if an angry dog was chasing her.*
- 2) oozed down** (8th par) This is similar to the previous idea but now the motion is very slow, moving in a manner that a thick liquid-like substance such as molasses. Ex: *The wound got infected and pus started to ****ooze**** out of the side of the bandage.*
- 3) cracked open** (last par) Actually some people use this verb (*crack st open*) a lot but it wouldn't normally be deliberately placed in an English coursebook. The verb is simulating the sound made when the action is done, and it is something very fast and abrupt.
Ex: *The first thing I like to do after a long hard day at work is ****crack open**** a beer and sit in my armchair.*

AN EXPRESSION OR TWO

These three expressions are in very common use. Identify them and complete put them in the correct form in the appropriate sentence.

- 1) go for it** = to do something enthusiastically and with the feeling of freedom to do it (par 2)
- 2) back and forth** = to repeatedly go from one place to another and back again (par 4)
- 3) pack it all in** = to quit or give up on st after trying for some time (fifth last paragraph)
 - a) Stop making so many trips back and forth to the kitchen.
 - b) I saw my opportunity and I went for it.
 - c) If I don't pass my driver's test this time, I'm going to pack it all in.