# Train of Thought

**P**hrasal verbs consist of a verb and a preposition. Each verb and preposition has its own meaning, but when the words are connected (like train cars), their combined meaning is different.

**Directions:** For each verb, select the preposition (or prepositions) that creates a phrasal verb with the same meaning as a word/phrase in capital letters in the sentences below. Write the word or phrase from the sentence in the first box. Below that, rewrite the sentence using the phrasal verb. The first one has been done for you.

Select from these prepositions: ~~off~~ | up | in | out | down | off | away | forward to | along with | out of

The train will LEAVE the station at noon.  ∗  Trains REDUCE SPEED when passing through towns.
Let's LEAVE TOWN for the weekend.  ∗  You need to REGISTER WHEN ARRIVING at the station.
Some people WEAR NICE CLOTHES when traveling.  ∗  ~~I hope they don't CANCEL the trip.~~
Some people like to LOITER in train stations.  ∗  I always GET EXCITED ABOUT traveling by train.
I often FALL ASLEEP on trains.  ∗  Do you want to JOIN me on my trip?

1. call | off

   CANCEL
   *I hope they don't call off the trip.*

2. check |

3. get |

4. dress |

5. pull | |

6. slow |

7. come | |

8. doze |

9. hang |

10. look | |

## Answers to *The Lighter Side*
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1. call **off** = cancel; I hope they don't call off the trip.
2. check **in** = register when arriving; You need to check in at the station.
3. get **away** = leave town; Let's get away for the weekend.
4. dress **up** = wear nice clothes; Some people dress up when traveling.
5. pull **out of** = leave; The train will pull out of the station at noon.
6. slow **down** = reduce speed; Trains slow down when passing through towns.
7. come **along with** = join; Do you want to come along with me on my trip?
8. doze **off** = fall asleep; I often doze off on trains.
9. hang **out** = loiter; Some people like to hang out in train stations.
10. look **forward to** = get excited about; I always look forward to traveling by train.