

# Money Matters: Financial Phrasal Verbs

## Easy Money

### Vocabulary Introduction: Identify the correct definition for each phrasal verb.

Read each of the sentences. Take note of the underlined phrasal verb, and then read the three possible definitions. Choose which of the definitions best fits the phrasal verb by context.

1. We all **chipped in** to buy John a really nice gift for his birthday.

cheat sbd. into paying too much	return borrowed money	contribute money towards
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2. Sure, I'll lend you a tenner, but you have to **pay it back**!

return borrowed money	keep money to spend in the future	live with just enough money
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3. I'm sorry, but I'm not going to give you the money to buy a car. You'll just have to **save up**!

keep money to spend in the future	sell all of sth.	finish paying money you owe
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4. I've just seen the same television I bought 90€ cheaper in another shop. I think they **ripped me off**.

keep money to spend in the future	cheat sbd. into paying too much	spend less
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5. Alex and Sam only earn enough to **get by**. Alex is hoping for a raise, though.

spend a lot of money on	sell all of sth.	live with just enough money
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6. We only have three payments left until we've **paid off** our loan! Then, we'll be totally debt free.

contribute money towards	compare prices in different places	finish paying money you owe
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7. I'm not sure it's such a good idea to **splash out** on a new phone just before your work contract ends.

finish paying money you owe	spend a lot of money on	return borrowed money
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8. I'm not getting a Christmas bonus this year, so we'll have to **cut back** on the presents.

cheat sbd. into paying too much	contribute money towards	spend less
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9. You should really **shop around** before buying it. You might find it cheaper somewhere else.

compare prices in different places	spend less	live with just enough money
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10. I'm so upset that the tickets to the concert have **sold out**. I really want to go!

compare prices in different places	sell all of sth.	spend a lot of money on
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**Gap Fill:** Put the phrasal verbs in the gaps. You may need to conjugate them.

pay back	chip in	save up	cut back	get by
pay off	rip off	splash out	shop around	sell out

1. It will feel really good once we have \_\_\_\_\_ all our debts.
2. That shop charges far too much money and \_\_\_\_\_ all its customers.
3. It's quite usual for popular concerts to \_\_\_\_\_ very fast.
4. For most people it's necessary to \_\_\_\_\_ to buy the latest mobile phone.
5. In this city, life is so expensive that it's hard to \_\_\_\_\_ on the average salary.
6. Don't buy the first one you see! You should \_\_\_\_\_ first.
7. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ the money you owed your mum?
8. I'm having trouble making ends meet but I really don't know where to \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I just got my Christmas bonus! I think I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ on some clothes.
10. How much is everyone going to \_\_\_\_\_ for John's birthday present?