Phrasal verbs are made up of a verb and a preposition/an adverb.

The meaning of a phrasal verb is often different from the verb on its own.
Phrasal verbs

e.g.

*turn* = move around a fixed point
*turn into* = become something different

The princess kissed the frog and it **turned into** a handsome prince!
Phrasal verbs

e.g.

find = discover something by chance

find out = get information

I found out from our school website that our school has over one thousand pupils.
Phrasal verbs

e.g.
get (presents) = receive something
get away = escape

The robbers are getting away from the prison!
Phrasal verbs

e.g.
get (red packets) = receive something
get into (trouble) = be/become involved in trouble

Billy got into trouble again. He broke the windows when he was playing football this morning. Mum is angry.
Phrasal verbs

e.g.
give = put something into someone’s hand
give up = stop doing something

This model of a plane is so hard to make. I give up!
Phrasal verbs

e.g.
look = turn your eyes towards something to see it
look for = try to find

Jenny is looking for her cat. Where is it?
Phrasal verbs

e.g.

*make* = produce something

*make up (a story)* = invent

Sarah told me that she saw some aliens in a spaceship. I think she made up the story.
Phrasal verbs

e.g.

set (an alarm clock) = programme a machine to start at the time you want

set off = start to go somewhere

My family went hiking today. We set off at 8 a.m. and finished at 4 p.m. It was a long hike!
Phrasal verbs

e.g.
set (an alarm clock) = programme a machine to start at the time you want
set off = start to go somewhere

We set off for Lantau very early this morning.

set off + for + place name
Practice

1 The thief has gotten away / given up from the police station.

2 We are going on a school trip today. We will find out / set off at 8:30 a.m.

3 Jenny is looking at a book about animals. She wants to make up / find out some information about giraffes.

4 I am looking for / turning into my rabbit. Can you see it?
Practice

5 Timmy **got into / make up** trouble this morning because he was late for school.

6 In stories, sometimes animals **turn into / give up** people.

7 You shouldn’t **set off / give up** when you don’t know how to do your homework. You should ask someone to help you.

8 If you always **make up / look for** stories, no one will believe you.
The End