## サクセス Phrasal Verb Exercises

Use an appropriate form of the phrasal verbs below to fill the gaps.

Topic: Memory

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Now I'm an adult, but I still have problems with my memory — if I don't important information I invariably forget it. The trouble is, if I write the information on paper, I lose the paper, so I have to write it on my hand — I haven't lost that, yet! Someone once advised me to tie a piece of string round my finger on the day I had to do something important. I tried it, and I did remember that I had to do something, but I couldn't remember what it was!
Fortunately, I now have a mobile phone which I can write my reminders on and set an alarm to just before I have to do the important thing. This doesn't help me with one of my biggest problems, though — names the faces of people I've just met. One technique I've tried is to associate the name with a distinctive feature of the person. For example, 'Bob' with the 'big' nose, 'Mary' who's as shy as a 'mouse' etc. However, there are drawbacks to this, too. It helps if you think of a funny association, but if it's too funny you might laugh every time you meet the person!
put to / think of / jot down / remind of / go off

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