

## 1.1 簡介


- 在本單元，你會發現某些帶 'break' 的片語動詞的意思可從 'break' 本身的意思（打破、暫停）推斷出來，例如 'break down' 和 'break up'。

## 1.2 常見帶 'break' 的片語動詞

### break down

意思 1：失敗、中止（不及物動詞）

例句：The talks have again **broken down** over the issue of peace in the country.  
（那些會談再一次在談到國家的和平問題時中止了。）

 Hot tips 加油站：  
名詞 'breakdown' 源自片語動詞 'break down'。  
例如：Friends of the couple feel very sad about the **breakdown** of their marriage.  
（對於他們離婚，他們的朋友都覺得十分難過。）

意思 2：突然出錯、發生故障，尤指機器（不及物動詞）

例句：If the car **breaks down** just once more, I'm going to get a new one.  
（只要這輛車再壞一次，我便會買輛新車。）

意思 3：情緒崩潰（不及物動詞）

例句：Both parents **broke down** and wept when the doctor said that the child would be blind.  
（當醫生說那孩子會失明後，父母兩人都情緒崩潰和哭泣。）


意思 4：衰弱、衰竭，尤指精神或體力等（不及物動詞）


例句：After the divorce of his parents and the death of his sister, Adam's health **broke down**.  
（經歷了父母離婚和姊姊離世，亞當的健康變得很差。）

意思 5：把某物分拆成不同的部分或類別（及物動詞：可分割）

例句：Since the bill was very high, I asked the waiter to **break it down**.  
（由於帳單金額很大，我吩咐侍應列出各細項收費。）

 Hot tips 加油站：  
名詞 'breakdown' 亦可指「故障」，例如：The technicians are responsible for maintenance and **breakdowns**.（那些技工負責保養和維修故障。）

 Hot tips 加油站：  
名詞 'breakdown' 亦可指「精神崩潰」，例如：After his second **breakdown**, he spent six months in a nursing home.（在第二次精神崩潰後，他在療養院中住了六個月。）

 Hot tips 加油站：  
名詞 'breakdown' 亦可指「分析」，例如：Without a **breakdown** of these figures, they are meaningless.（如果沒有分析，這些數字是毫無意義的。）

## Apply now 活學活用

以下是一則關於新聞報導的短文。請參考當中如何運用各組帶 'break' 的片語動詞。

'Here are the headlines, fighting has again **broken out** along the **border** after peace talks have **broken down** between the two countries. We **break into** this news with an important announcement that ...' Jo **broke into** tears. 'I don't like listening to the news. It's all so sad. You hear about relationships **breaking down**; marriages **breaking up**; thieves **breaking into** shops and stealing things. It's enough to make me **break out** in a rash.'

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在這裏，'border' 指兩國之間的邊界，而 'cross-border' 則指「跨境」。

'broke into tears' 指「哭泣」，可以用來代替 'cried' 或 'wept'。

這是一個排比句，中間用 ':' (semicolon) 分隔，而三個短句的結構是一樣的。

## Testing point 實戰點

## Exercise 1 練習 1

試從下列的字詞中，選取適當的填寫在橫線上，每個字詞可使用多於一次。

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- When do you break \_\_\_\_\_ for Christmas?
- You need to break your new boots \_\_\_\_\_ before they feel comfortable.
- A gang of youths broke \_\_\_\_\_ the pharmacy last night and stole some drugs.
- Her skin broke \_\_\_\_\_ a rash because she applied the wrong cream.
- Protesting students broke \_\_\_\_\_ a line of police officers.
- The car broke \_\_\_\_\_ on the motorway.
- If you have a long essay to write, try to break it \_\_\_\_\_ into smaller parts.
- Sadly David and Olivia's marriage broke \_\_\_\_\_ last year.
- Negotiations have again broken \_\_\_\_\_ and the workers may go on strike.

# Other phrasal verbs A-F

## 其他片語動詞 A-F

### ask out (及物動詞：可分割)

意思：邀約某人作伴，通常是一起吃飯或消遣

例句：If you really like her, perhaps you should **ask her out**.  
(如果你真的喜歡她，你大概應該邀約她出去。)

### back up (及物動詞：可分割)

意思 1：支持某人 / 證明某事是真確的

例句：Before you go and complain to the headmaster, are you sure that the rest of the class will **back you up**?  
(在你去向校長投訴前，你肯定班裏其他人都支持你嗎?)

意思 2：以額外服務或物料供應支持某物，一般指商品

例句：The expensive models are usually **backed up** by a guarantee.  
(昂貴的型號一般都附帶保用證。)

意思 3：把電腦資料另存備份

例句：Have you **backed up** the files?  
(你把那些檔案另存備份了嗎?)

**Hot tips 加油站：**  
名詞 'back-up' 源自片語動詞 'backup'。例如：  
The computer makes an automatic **back-up** of every file. (電腦會自動為每個檔案另存備份。)

### blow up (及物動詞：可分割)

意思 1：炸毀某物

例句：Terrorists **blew up** the bridge just as the train was about to come across.  
(恐怖分子在火車快要到的時候把橋炸毀了。)

意思 2：放大相片

例句：If you really like the picture, why don't you have it **blown up**?  
(如果你真的喜歡這幅照片，為何不把它放大呢?)

### build up (不及物動詞)

意思 1：加大 / 加強 / 愈來愈嚴重

例句：Several traffic jams have been **building up** on roads near London due to the holiday.  
(因為假期的緣故，在倫敦附近的道路上的交通擠塞愈來愈嚴重。)

意思 2：逐漸建立 / 增加

例句：It took him 20 years to **build up** his business.  
(他花了 20 年時間去建立自己的生意。)

