

“Down” Phrasal Verbs (2)

Choose the answer with the closest meaning to the **down - phrasal verb**:

1. John is 40 now. It's time he got married and **settled down!**
made a stable lifestyle stopped chatting became calm
2. Tim was arrested for **burning down** his shop for the insurance.
having high heat setting fire to completely refusing customers
3. I **jotted down** a few notes from the scientist's great lecture.
wrote on paper audio recorded photocopied
4. The police are really **cracking down on** large protest marches.
encouraging becoming strict about becoming violent
5. The kids **scarfed down** the cookies in just a few minutes.
ate everything quickly could sell prepared quickly
6. We finally **took down** our Christmas decorations on Feb. 1st.
made a donation made a list of removed from walls
7. You need to **slow down!** The speed limit is only 85kph!
change lanes quickly stop reduce speed
8. Protesters are demanding that the corrupt president **step down.**
greet the people get off the stage resign
9. Kim's been **feeling down** lately, so I bought her a nice gift.
sad/depressed very sick in a bad mood
10. The teacher kept telling the bad students to **keep it down.**
remove posters be quiet write better notes
11. We **put down** a huge deposit to reserve the church for our wedding.
found a new place paid asked for a discount
12. You need to **calm down** and concentrate on fixing the problem!
become less angry try harder get serious
13. I had to **let Meg down easy** when I fired her. She's so sensitive.
disappoint a little be gentle do it quickly
14. Protesters refused to **back down**, even after police violence.
allow more help continue an action admit defeat
15. Rich business owners are always **talking down to** the staff.
spreading rumors shouting at treating as less important