

“Off” Phrasal Verbs (5) Answers

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

- We were **goofing off** all day and didn't get any studying done.
 not working seriously *doing our job* *doing housework*
- The candidates **squared off** in a tough heated debate.
refused to talk *completely agreed* *battled*
- Ed was kicked out of school for **mouthed off** to his teachers.
 speaking unpleasantly to *refusing to speak* *speaking too much*
- I had huge student loans to **work off** after graduating from college.
become school staff *earn money to pay back* *study more*
- The event **started off** boring, but soon became very exciting.
was moved *was delayed* *began*
- I think Thomas **gets off on** treating his staff badly.
 really enjoys *hardly ever works* *often fires*
- I can't believe the thieves were able to **pull off** the robbery.
stop doing *get arrested for* *succeed in doing*
- The thieves **made off with** millions of dollars of artwork.
 successfully stole *were caught with* *failed to steal*
- The govt. is taking steps to **head off** the upcoming recession.
lessen an impact *prevent from happening* *encourage*
- I started dancing and **showing off** when the cute girls came in.
embarrassing myself *giving lessons* *trying to impress*
- I hit the gym to **burn off** the calories I'd eaten over Christmas.
donate extra food *use energy by exercising* *leave gifts*
- The party was boring, so Kay and I **snuck off** & drank at a bar.
 secretly left *stole alcohol* *decided not to go*
- Workers said they'd **walk off** the job if bonuses were cut.
come in late *angrily complain* *stop working*
- Our guard dog **chased off** the thieves when they came in our house.
tried to hide *forced to run away* *ran away*
- Bankers **made a fortune off of** the stock market crash in 2008.
 got lots of money *lost lots of money* *caused to happen*