

PHRASAL VERBS WITH 'PLAY'

phrasal verb	meaning	example
play about/around	be silly	I've played about all year, now I need to start studying.
play along	agree with someone for a while	A girl thought I was in a boyband. I played along for a bit before telling her I wasn't.
play away	cheat on your partner or have a match at an opponent's ground	My wife has been playing away. Apparently, the guy works with her.
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play back	watch/listen to something you recorded	I'm playing back some mix tapes I made when I was a teenager.
play down	make something seem less important	The government are playing down the possibility of a flu epidemic.
play on	continue playing	We'll keep playing on until it gets dark.
play out	see what happens/the result	Things haven't played out well, so we have split for good this time.
play up	misbehave	My phone has been playing up for weeks, I think I need a new one.
play with	use toys for fun or consider something	I played with the idea of opening a restaurant but decided against it.

