

PHRASAL VERBS WITH 'ACT'

phrasal verb	meaning	example
act against	take action opposing or countering something or someone	Tony acted against his better judgement and drove after having 3 beers.
act as	do the same function as a person or thing	The heart acts as a pump to transport blood around the body.
act for	represent someone	The people chose Mr. Smith to act for them in parliament.
act in	perform a role in a play, movie, or production	Sarah has acted in several West End shows.
act on	follow advice/take action	He acted on friend's advice and left before there was trouble.
act out	express through actions or words	I've acted out 10 films and no one has guessed any. I hate charades!
act up	misbehave/malfunction	The machine acted up yesterday and I couldn't complete the order.
act up to	doing what is required of you, act differently/put on a show for the audience	The kids started acting up to the cameras when they realised they were being filmed.
act upon	follow advice/take action	Lilly acted upon her friend's advice and went to the doctor.

