

A

Compare **in** and **out**:

in = into a room, a building, a car etc.

- How did the thieves **get in**?
- Here's a key, so you can **let yourself in**.
- Sally walked up to the edge of the pool and **dived in**. (= into the water)
- I've got a new flat. I'm **moving in** on Friday.
- As soon as I got to the airport, I **checked in**.

In the same way you can say **go in**, **come in**, **walk in**, **break in** etc.

Compare **in** and **into**:

- I'm moving **in** next week.
- I'm moving **into** my new flat on Friday.

out = out of a room, building, a car etc.

- He just stood up and **walked out**.
- I had no key, so I was **locked out**.
- She swam up and down the pool, and then **climbed out**.
- Tim opened the window and **looked out**.
- (*at a hotel*) What time do we have to **check out**?

In the same way you can say **go out**, **get out**, **move out**, **let somebody out** etc.

Compare **out** and **out of**:

- He **walked out**.
- He **walked out of the room**.

B

Other verbs + **in**

drop in / call in = *visit somebody for a short time without arranging to do this*

- I **dropped in** to see Chris on my way home.

join in = *take part in an activity that is already going on*

- We're playing a game. Why don't you **join in**?

plug in an electrical machine = *connect it to the electricity supply*

- The fridge isn't working because you haven't **plugged it in**.

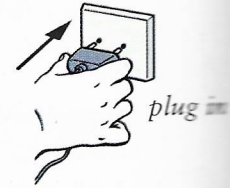
fill in a form, a questionnaire etc. = *write the necessary information on a form*

- Please **fill in** the application form and send it to us by 28 February.

You can also say **fill out** a form.

take somebody in = *deceive somebody*

- The man said he was a policeman and I believed him. I was completely **taken in**.



C

Other verbs + **out**

eat out = *eat at a restaurant, not at home*

- There wasn't anything to eat at home, so we decided to **eat out**.

drop out of college / university / a course / a race = *stop before you have completely finished a course/race etc.*

- Gary went to university but **dropped out** after a year.

get out of something that you arranged to do = *avoid doing it*

- I promised I'd go to the wedding. I don't want to go, but I can't **get out** of it now.

cut something out (of a newspaper etc.)

- There was a beautiful picture in the magazine, so I **cut it out** and kept it.

leave something out = *omit it, not include it*

- In the sentence 'She said that she was ill', you can **leave out** the word 'that'.

cross something out / rub something out

- Some of the names on the list had been **crossed out**.

Sarah **cross out**

138.1 Complete each sentence using a verb in the correct form.

- 1 Here's a key so that you can *let* yourself in.
- 2 Liz doesn't like cooking, so she out a lot.
- 3 Eve isn't living in this flat any more. She out a few weeks ago.
- 4 If you're in our part of town, you must in and see us.
- 5 When I in at the airport, I was told my flight would be delayed.
- 6 There were some advertisements in the paper that I wanted to keep, so I them out.
- 7 I wanted to iron some clothes, but there was nowhere to the iron in.
- 8 I hate in questionnaires.
- 9 Steve was upset because he'd been out of the team.
- 10 Be careful! The water's not very deep here, so don't in.
- 11 If you write in pencil and you make a mistake, you can it out.
- 12 Paul started doing a Spanish course, but he out after a few weeks.

138.2 Complete the sentences with **in**, **into**, **out** or **out of**.

- 1 I've got a new flat. I'm moving *in* on Friday.
- 2 We checked the hotel as soon as we arrived.
- 3 As soon as we arrived at the hotel, we checked
- 4 The car stopped and the driver got
- 5 Thieves broke the house while we were away.
- 6 Why did Sarah drop college? Did she fail her exams?

138.3 Complete each sentence using a verb + **in** or **out (of)**.

- 1 Sally walked to the edge of the pool, *dived in* and swam to the other end.
- 2 Not all the runners finished the race. Three of them
- 3 I went to see Joe and Sue in their new house. They last week.
- 4 I've told you everything you need to know. I don't think I've anything.
- 5 Some people in the crowd started singing. Then a few more people and soon everybody was singing.
- 6 We go to restaurants a lot. We like
- 7 Don't be by him. If I were you, I wouldn't believe anything he says.
- 8 I to see Laura a few days ago. She was fine.
- 9 A: Can we meet tomorrow morning at ten?
B: Probably. I'm supposed to go to another meeting, but I think I can it.

138.4 Complete the sentences. Use the word in brackets in the correct form.

- 1 A: The fridge isn't working.
B: That's because you haven't *plugged it in*. (plug)
- 2 A: What do I have to do with these forms?
B: and send them to this address. (fill)
- 3 A: I've made a mistake on this form.
B: That's all right. Just and correct it. (cross)
- 4 A: Did you believe the story they told you?
B: Yes, I'm afraid they completely (take)
- 5 A: Have you been to that new club in Bridge Street?
B: We wanted to go there a few nights ago, but the doorman wouldn't because we weren't members. (let)