

Phrasal verbs with “Brush”

You may know about brushing your hair with a brush or that you brush the dirt off a seat before you sit down, but do you know these other brush words?

❖ **Brush with**

A brief encounter with something notable or unpleasant is a brush with. It's used for situations in which you experience or nearly experience something.

Example: Being interviewed by a local TV station was my only **brush with** fame.

If for example you nearly die, you have a brush with death.

Example: He was seriously ill for a long time. His **brush with** death changed his attitude towards life.

❖ **Brush up (on something) / Brush something up**

When you improve your knowledge of something you have learned in the past, but have started to forget, you brush up on it.

Example: I need to **brush up** my English.

Example: I'd better **brush up** on my Spanish before our holiday in Malaga.

Example: I need to **brush** my French **up** a little bit.

❖ **Brush off**

When you refuse to listen to what someone says, especially criticism, you brush it off; you ignore what you are told.

Example: She **brushed off** all her criticisms.

Example: I tried talking to him, but he kept **brushing** me **off**.

❖ **Brush aside**

Similar to brush off, brush aside means you disregard something without consideration (thinking about it).

Example: I tried to explain, but he **brushed aside** my explanation.

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