



## LESSON FIVE

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### BLOW

<https://www.thefreedictionary.com/blow>

v. **blew, blown, blowing, blows**

*v.intr.*

1.

- a. To be in a state of motion. Used of the air or of wind.
- b. To move along or be carried by the wind: **Her hat blew away.**
- c. To move with or have strong winds: **The storm blew all night.**

2.

- a. To expel a current of air, as from the mouth or from a bellows.
- b. To produce a sound by expelling a current of air, as in sounding a wind instrument or a whistle.
- c. To breathe hard; pant.
- d. To release air or gas suddenly; burst or explode: **The tire blew when it hit the pothole.**
- e. To spout moist air from the blowhole. Used of a whale.

3.

- a. To fail or break down, as from being operated under extreme or improper conditions: **The furnace blew during the cold snap.**
- b. To melt or otherwise become disabled. Used of a fuse.

4.

- a. Informal To move very fast in relation to something: **The boy blew past the stands on his bike.**
- b. Slang To go away; depart: **It's time to blow.**

5. Informal To boast.

6. Vulgar Slang To be disgustingly disagreeable or offensive: **This movie blows.**

v.tr.

1.

a. To cause to move by means of a current of air: **The wind blew the boat out to sea.**

b. To drive a current of air on, in, or through: **blew my hair dry after I shampooed it.**

c. To clear out or make free of obstruction by forcing air through: **blew his nose all through allergy season.**

d. To shape or form (glass, for example) by forcing air or gas through at the end of a pipe.

2.

a. To expel (air) from the mouth.

b. To cause air or gas to be expelled suddenly from: **We blew a tire when we drove over the rock.**

3. Music

a. To cause (a wind instrument) to sound.

b. To sound: **a bugle blowing taps.**

4.

a. To cause to be out of breath.

b. To allow (a winded horse) to regain its breath.

5. To demolish by the force of an explosion: **An artillery shell blew our headquarters apart.**

6. To lay or deposit eggs in. Used of certain insects.

7.

a. To cause to fail or break down, as by operating at extreme or improper conditions: **blew the engine on the last lap.**

b. To cause (a fuse) to melt or become disabled.

8. Slang

a. To spend (money) freely and rashly. See Synonyms at waste.

b. To spend money freely on; treat: **blew me to a sumptuous dinner.**

9.

a. Slang To spoil or lose through ineptitude: **blew the audition; blew a three-goal lead.**

b. To cause (a covert intelligence operation or operative) to be revealed and thereby jeopardized: **a story in the press that blew their cover; an agent who was blown by the opposition.**

10.

a. Slang To depart (a place) in a great hurry: **Let's blow this city no later than noon.**

b. Baseball To throw (a pitch) so fast that a batter cannot swing fast enough to hit it: **blew a fastball by the batter for the strikeout.**

☞ **11.** Vulgar Slang To perform fellatio on.

*n.*

**1.** The act or an instance of blowing.

**2.**

**a.** A blast of air or wind.

**b.** A storm.

**3.** Informal An act of bragging.

☞ **4.** Slang Cocaine.

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## BLOW

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/pt/dicionario/ingles/blow>

### Blow as a noun:

Blow – **hit**, a hard hit with a hand or a weapon:

She died after receiving a **blow** to the head.

Blow – **bad event**, an unexpected event that has a damaging effect on someone or something:

Losing his job was a severe **blow** to his confidence.

Her death came as a terrible **blow** to her parents.

Blow – **air**, an act of blowing:

It took him three **blows** to get all the candles out.

Blow – **a walk in the fresh air** (old fashioned):

Do you want to go out for a **blow**?

☞ Blow – drug

UK slang: cannabis

US slang: cocaine

### Blow as a verb:

Blow – **send out air** – to move and make currents of air, or to be moved or make something move on a current of air:

The money **blew** away and I had to run after it.

The wind was **blowing** harder every minute.

Blow – **send out air** – to make a sound by forcing air out of your mouth and through an instrument, or to make a sound when someone does this:

Ann **blew** a few notes on the trumpet.

He scored the winning goal just before the whistle **blew**.

Blow – **send out air** – to blow air down a tube into a piece of heated soft glass, in order to shape it into an object.

... a beautiful **blown** glass vase ...

Blow – **destroy** – to cause something to be destroyed by a bomb, technical failure, etc:

His car had been **blown** to pieces.

Blow – **destroy** – if an electrical fuse (= a short, thin piece of wire) **blows**, or if something electrical **blows** a fuse, the device it is in stops working because it is receiving too much electricity.

There was an overload on the electrical circuit and the fuse **blew**.

Blow – **destroy** – If a tyre (\*tire) blows, it suddenly gets a hole in it and goes flat

Blow – **spend** – to spend a large amount of money, especially on things that are not really necessary:

When I got paid I **blew** it all on a night out.

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## PHRASAL VERBS

### **BLOW DOWN**

1. Knock over with an air current, most often wind:

**I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house down.**

### **BLOW IN** *Slang*

1. To arrive, especially when unexpected:

**He blew in from Toronto this morning.**

### **BLOW PAST**

1. Easily overcome or go around a safeguard or limit:

**I've just blown past my calorie limit for the day.**

### **BLOW THROUGH**

1. Do or consume something very quickly:

**He won a £7 million on the lottery last year and he blew through the first million in one week.**

### **BLOW OVER**

1. Pass naturally, to go away, to settle or calm down:

**The storm blew over quickly.**

**They huddled, waiting for the storm to blow over.**

2. When a scandal gets forgotten:

**The scandal will soon blow over.**

3. Blow on something causing it to topple:

**The wind blew over the pole.**

4. Be knocked down by wind:

**The tree blew over in the storm.**

### **BLOW UP**

1. The beginning of a storm:

**A storm blew up while we were out walking.**

2. To fill with air; inflate:

**The pressure was low, so I blew the tire up.**

**Let's blow up the balloons for the party.**

3. To enlarge (a photographic image or print):

**Blow up that photo so we can see his face.**

**Blow up the picture to get a better look at their faces.**

4. To explode or be destroyed by explosion:

**Why do cars in movies always blow up when they fall off a cliff?**

**We had to blow up the bridge before the enemy army arrived.**

**The bomb blew up without any warning.**

5. To lose one's temper, suddenly get very angry:

**Dad blew up at me when I told him I failed at school.**

**They blew me up when they heard what I had done wrong.**

### **BLOW AWAY** *Slang*

1. To kill by shooting, especially with a firearm:

**The kid just blew the clerk away.**

2. To defeat decisively.

3. To affect intensely; overwhelm:

**That concert blew me away.**

4. Flabbergast; to impress greatly

**The critics were blown away by their latest album.**

5. Something is moved by the wind

cause to go away by blowing, or by wind:

**He blew away the dust which had collected on the book.**

disperse or to depart on currents of air:

**I didn't have to rake. The leaves just blew away.**

**The flag blew away in the storm; we'll to buy a new one.**

### **BLOW OFF**

1. To relieve or release (pressure); let off.

2. *Slang* To choose not to attend or accompany:

**They wanted us to come along, but we blew them off.**

**We are going to meet last night, but she blew me off at the last minute.**

**I decided to blow off the meeting and leave early.**

3. To end a relationship with

4. Forcibly disconnect something by use of a firearm or explosive device:

**Her leg was blown off by a landmine.**

5. Expel gas from the anus:

**He blew in front of everybody .**

6. Ignore, not to do something:

**I blew the homework off and did badly.**

<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/blow-sth-sb-off>

**to blow** somebody/something **off** - to treat something or someone as if that thing or person were not important:

**Just blow off his comments, he's only joking.**

### **BLOW OUT**

1. To extinguish or be extinguished by a gust of air:

**She blew the candles out on her birthday cake.**

**He blew out the match.**

2. To fail, as an electrical apparatus.

3. To erupt in an uncontrolled manner. Used of a gas or oil well.

4. Deflate quickly on being punctured:

**The tire blew out on a corner.**

5. Be driven out by the expansive force of a gas or vapour:

**A steam cock or valve sometimes blows out.**

6. To defeat decisively, as in a sport:

**The Broncos blew out the Raiders 55-0.**

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**to blow** something **out** - If a flame blows out or you blow it out, it stops burning when a person or the wind blows on it:

**After dinner she blew out the candles.**

**The sudden breeze made the candles blow out.**

**Marcia didn't want to blow out her birthday candle.**

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**to blow** somebody **out** - to disappoint someone by not meeting them or not doing something that you had arranged to do together:

**She was supposed to go to that party with me, but she blew me out.**

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## IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

### **BLOW A FUSE / GASKET** *Slang*

To explode with anger.

### **BLOW HOT AND COLD**

To change one's opinion often on a matter; vacillate.

### **BLOW OFF STEAM**

To reduce or release tension.

### **BLOW (ONE'S = HER, HIS, MY, OUR, YOUR ...) COOL** *Slang*

To lose one's composure.

**Fred blew his cool when someone scratched his new car.**

### **BLOW (ONE'S = HER, HIS, MY, OUR, YOUR ...) COVER**

To divulge one's secret identity, inadvertently.

### **BLOW (ONE'S = HER, HIS, MY, OUR, YOUR ...) TOP / STACK** *Informal*

To lose one's temper.

### **BLOW / BREAK OPEN**

To get a sudden, insurmountable lead in (an athletic contest).

### **BLOW OUT OF PROPORTION**

To make more of than is reasonable; exaggerate.

### **BLOW SMOKE**

1. To speak deceptively.
2. To brag or exaggerate.

### **BLOW (ONE'S = HER, HIS, MY, OUR, YOUR ...) MIND** *Slang*

To affect with intense emotion, such as amazement, excitement, or shock.

**to blow** somebody **mind** – If something blows your mind, you find it very exciting and unusual:

**There was one scene in the film that really blew my mind.**

**It kind of blows my mind.**

**BLOW YOUR NOSE** – to force air from your lungs and through your nose to clear it.

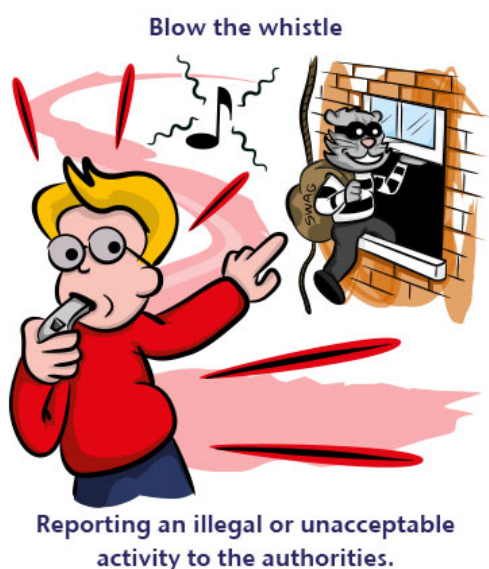
**BLOW SOMEBODY A KISS** – to kiss your partner and blow on it in the direction of someone.

**BLOW SOMETHING SKY-HIGH** – to seriously damage something by making it explode:

**The explosion blew the building sky-high.**

**BLOW THE DUST OFF** – abandon old routines, habits:

**New Year is a time to blow the dust off and make a fresh start.**



🎵 Music:

**When the wild wind blows – Iron Maiden**

Blow – Beyoncé

Blow – Ke\$ha

Tell me when the whistle blows – Elton John

Cold wind blows – Eminem

Blow Away – George Harrison

Blown Away – Carrie Underwood

Blowing in the wind – Bob Dylan (Alanis Morissette, Bruce Springsteen)

 Film:



**Blow** is a 2001 American biographical crime film about the American cocaine smuggler George Jung, directed by Ted Demme.

David McKenna and Nick Cassavetes adapted Bruce Porter's 1993 book *Blow: How a Small Town Boy Made \$100 Million with the Medellín Cocaine Cartel and Lost It All* for the screenplay.

It is based on the real-life stories of George Jung, Pablo Escobar, Carlos Lehder Rivas (portrayed in the film as Diego Delgado), and the Medellín Cartel.

**The film's title comes from a slang term for cocaine.**

