

MÓDULO 05 - LOOK UP & LOOK UP TO

DEFINITION

To look up = to search for specific information in another source (dictionary, phone book, internet, etc.)

To look up to (someone) = to admire (someone)

- LOOK UP is SEPARABLE
- LOOK UP TO is INSEPARABLE
- LOOK is REGULAR

LOOK – LOOKED – LOOKED

EXAMPLES AND EXPLANATIONS

LOOK UP:

1. Present tense

Can you *look up* the name of the hotel for me? I want to **make sure** I have the right name.

- make sure = guarantee; confirm that something is correct
- be sure = to be 100% certain that something is true
 - o Before going to the airport, make sure you have your passport with you.
 - o Are you sure that the meeting is at 2:00? I thought it was at 3:00.

2. Present continuous + present simple

What are you doing? - I'm *looking up* a word **on the internet**. I want to **make sure** I'm spelling it correctly.

- Use the preposition ON with all surfaces (screens, radio waves) and all types of media (the internet, the news, TV, radio, YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, etc.)
- Use the preposition IN to talk about information posted IN an article/story/post/picture/etc.
 - o I just posted a new video ON YouTube. The link to the video is IN my stories ON Instagram.
 - o I saw your dad ON the news!
 - o My friend posted a picture of her new puppy ON Instagram. The information about where they found him is IN the post.
- Make sure = confirm; guarantee

3. Past simple + present simple

I *looked up* the word "set" **in** the dictionary, but I'm **still not sure** what it **means**.

- IN – inside (books, dictionaries, things that you open)
- to mean – to signify; to have the meaning of
 - o What does "saudade" mean? = What is the meaning of "saudade"?
 - o You mean a lot to me. = You are very important to me.

4. Modals (should) + present perfect

You *should have looked up* the address before leaving.

5. Conditionals

If you *had looked up* the address, we wouldn't be lost right now.

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6. Present tense

I really *look up to* my mother. She is very hard-working, honest and always tries her best to help others.

7. Past perfect + past simple

Everyone at the company *had looked up to* Mr. Smith, but when we **found out** about his involvement with the corruption scandal, we all lost respect for him.

FIND OUT X FIGURE OUT X DISCOVER

- find out – discover information
 - o I found out that my neighbor is a millionaire.
- figure out – discover HOW to do something after a lot of work and effort
 - o After working on the math problem for nearly 2 hours, I finally figured it out.
- discover – discover discoveries (land, gold, cures, treasure, etc.)
 - o Christopher Columbus discovered America in 1492.

8. Present perfect

I *have* always *looked up to* my grandfather.

9. modal verbs (could)

How could so many people *look up to* a man like him? He disgusts me!

10. used to + past simple

When I was a child, I *used to look up to* the super heroes that I watched on TV. I wanted to be **just like them**.

- just like = the same as
 - o You look just like your brother! = You look the same as your brother!

PRACTICE

When you don't know what a word means, what do you do? Do you look it up in a dictionary or do you look it up online?

Who do you look up to? Why?