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ACTIVITY SHEET

EPISODE 12: CARBON CYCLE

Choose the correct phrasal verb to replace the *italicised* verb in the following sentences. The phrasal verb needs to have the same meaning as the verb being replaced. Use a dictionary if needed.

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 - a. fall off
 - b. get around
 - c. give out
- 2. The storm came suddenly, so I had to *postpone* my trip.
 - a. put off
 - b. stay away from
 - c. push off
- 3. Can I visit again next week?
 - a. drop out
 - b. drop off
 - c. drop by
- 4. My teacher said I should *learn* Mandarin.
 - a. take up
 - b. look for
 - c. give up
- 5. She has been *progressing* well in her job.
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 - b. getting on
 - c. putting on
- 6. The film was great. It equalled our expectations.
 - a. came up to
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- 7. That lecture *proved* to be a waste of time because we couldn't hear.
 - a. turned back
 - b. turned out
 - c. turned up
- 8. The shop owner *deducted* ten percent from the cost of the suit.
 - a. bought off
 - b. covered up
 - c. took off
- 9. The air conditioning units aren't working again. Could you please call the engineer to *investigate* what has gone wrong.
 - a. look into
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