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Fixing Mix-Ups Answer Key

- 1. Don't forget to turn off the lights before you leave the room.
- 2. My mom told me to **put on** my shoes before going outside.
- 3. The movie was so boring that we decided to turn in early.
- 4. Please hand in your homework to the teacher before recess.
- 5. I tried to run into my old friend at the mall, but she didn't recognize me.
- 6. The car **broke down** on the way to school, so we had to call a tow truck.
- 7. Let's look up the meaning of this word in the dictionary.
- 8. He was too tired to **keep up** with the race.
- 9. We had to call off the picnic because it started raining.
- 10. Please take off your shoes before coming inside.

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus**: Understanding and correcting **phrasal verb misuse** to improve vocabulary precision and contextual awareness.
- **Grade Range**: Ideal for Grades 6-10, adaptable for any grade with difficulty adjustments.

Teaching Tips:

- Begin by reviewing a few common phrasal verb pairs that are easily confused (look up vs. look after, turn on vs. turn up).
- Emphasize that context determines which phrasal verb is correct-some share words but differ completely in meaning.

Differentiation & Engagement:

- For younger or beginner learners: provide a word bank of possible corrections.
- For advanced learners: ask them to **explain the error** and **justify the correction** in a full sentence.
- For ELL students: use visuals or short skits to show how the corrected verb fits real-life situations.

