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Phrases, phrasal verbs, and derivative entries

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**Phrasal verbs**

**horse about**

horse around

[informal]

*stop horsing about – someone will get hurt*

parem com essa brincadeira estúpida – alguém vai se machucar

See parent entry: → *horse*
Labels

You will see a region label such as US if the word is not used in all varieties of English, a domain label if the word is only used when speaking or writing about a particular subject (such as sport), or a register label if the word is not neutral, but rather informal, offensive, or humorous, etc.

Notes

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Guide to Portuguese pronunciation

Useful Phrases in Portuguese

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...(dar-se) como o cão e o gato

(to fight) like cats and dogs
See parent entry: → cão

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