

Causative verbs

Let, Make, Have, Get

	Verb	Form	Usage	Example sentence
1-	Have	Have+ object(person)+verb	Give sb responsibility to do sth.	Yesterday I had the mechanic examine my car.
2-	Make	Make=object(person)+verb	Force sb to do sth.	The teacher made me write the letter three times.
3-	Let	Let+ object +verb	Allow/give permission for an action	-The open window let the air escape. -The teacher let me go out.
4-	Get	Get+ person+ to+ verb	Convince someone to do sth	-Ali is in love with Maha, she can get him to do anything she wants.

HAVE SOMETHING DONE

HAVE+OBJECT+PAST PARTICIPLE

Do SOMETHING

- =You do it by your self
- I am repairing my car.
- =I am doing it myself.
- I repaired my car.
- =I did it myself

HAVE SOMETHING DONE

- =Someone does it for you
- 1-I am having my car repaired.
- =Someone else is doing it.
- 2-I had my car repaired.
- =Some one else did it.

GET SOMETHING DONE

- =HAVE SOMETHING DONE
- 1-I am getting my car repaired.
- =Someone else is doing it.
- 2-I got my car repaired.
- = Someone else did it

Two different Meanings

1)PAY/ASK someone to do something for us

- I am having my computer repaired
- I have had my room redecorated.

2)Expressing something bad

- We had our car stolen
- They had their house destroyed by the fire.

HAVE IS NOT AN AUXILIARY VERB

USE DO/ DID IF THERE IS NO AUXILIARY VERB

- 1-We hadn't our house painted. (x)
- We didn't have our house painted.(✓)
- 2-Had you your house painted.(X)
- Did you have your house painted. (✓)

A) Choose the correct option.

1. Sally made me _____ my shoes before I went into her house. She said she wanted to keep the carpet clean.

take off

to take off

took off

2. I see that you have no time to clean the house on your own so you had better get somebody _____ it for you.

done

to do

did

3. What you should do before an emergency occurs is to get your fire alarm _____ that will also make you feel safer.

to fix

fixed

fix

4. She had to have her phone number _____ because she was receiving obscene calls from a stranger.

change

to change

changed

5. Her dress was too long, so she had it _____.

to shorten

shorten

shortened

6. You'd better have a plumber --- the leak in the bathroom.

repair

to repair

repaired

7. Instead of buying a new pair of shoes, I had my old ones _____.

repair

repaired

to repair

8. I got everyone in the family --- Mary's birthday card before I sent it to her.

signed

sign

to sign

9. I didn't have any time so I had my sister _____ my paper last night.

typed

type

to type

10. The teacher got the students --- the first quatrain of the poem to make it easy to memorize.

write

written

to write

11. Regular repetition makes one --- new words easily.

learn

to learn

learned

12. I got my hair _____ yesterday.

to do

done

do

13. The teacher made us _____ our essays.

rewrite

rewrote

rewritten

14. I had my sister _____ my room.

clean to clean cleaned

15. Where can I get my jacket _____?

dry clean dry cleaned dry cleaning

16. You should have your walls _____.

painted paint to paint

17. I got my father _____ me an iPod.

to buy buy buying

18. You should have your tooth _____.

to extract extracted extract

19. I got my brother _____ my bike.

to wash wash washed

20. My friend had his wallet _____ in Central Park.

steal stolen to steal

21. Nobody can make me _____ you.

believe to believe believed

22. You should have your car _____ soon.

service serviced to service

23. You should get your laundry _____ tomorrow.

done to do do

24. I had my article _____.

revise to revise revised

25. My teacher made me _____ extra homework.

to do do done

26. Let me _____!

go to go gone

B) Change the sentences so they use the structure 'have something done' or 'get something done'.

- 1) I washed my car. (have) _____
- 2) I cut my hair. (get) _____
- 3) I typed the documents. (have) _____
- 4) I fixed the washing machine. (get) _____
- 5) I cut the grass. (have) _____
- 6) I painted my bedroom. (get) _____
- 7) I repaired my fridge. (have) _____
- 8) I tidied my garden. (get) _____
- 9) I edited the article. (have) _____
- 10) I cleaned the carpets. (get) _____
- 11) I cleaned the windows. (have) _____
- 12) I checked my teeth. (get) _____
- 13) I printed the photo. (have) _____
- 14) I made the necklace. (get) _____
- 15) I delivered the furniture. (have) _____
- 16) I wrote the report. (have) _____
- 17) I repaired the roof. (get) _____
- 18) I built the shed. (get) _____
- 19) I dyed my hair. (get) _____
- 20) I sent the money. (have) _____