

Look at these pictures and say what is happening



Read and then do the exercise following the article.

In the past, well-off people employed maids not only to cook their meals and to clean their homes. The lady of the house needed somebody to help her get dressed. Rich families also employed a butler to be in charge of several household tasks from polishing the silverware to polishing his master's shoes. Nowadays life has changed and people don't have their breakfast made, they make it themselves. It is generally considered wrong to have a servant waiting on you. However, some families have a house keeper to clean the house. The house keeper is not expected to cut the grass or to wash the car. These are chores that the house owner can do himself. Do you have a house keeper? What type of housework does she do? Do you make your bed or do you have it made? Do you cut the grass yourself? Do you get it cut?

Some people can't afford a house-keeper but they wish they had one because, if they have a 9 to 5 job, it's really stressful to come home and cook and do the cleaning. However, as an American business woman once said "I prefer to clean the house myself to having a housekeeper because I think I have less privacy. They can overhear a private conversation and then spread it as gossip".

When somebody becomes a senior citizen at the age of 60 or 65, he is generally fit enough to do **chores**. However, in your advanced years, it is advisable to have a house-keeper and to have basic house-work done by her.

Click on the right statement only.

- 1) In the past getting dressed was complicated for a lady and so she needed help.
- 2) A Senior citizen is somebody aged between 70 and 80.
- 3) In the present a house-keeper is somebody who does all types of chores including cutting the grass.
- 4) A house-keeper never overhears a private conversation.
- 5) "Chores", in red, is a synonym of "house-work"

To have / to get + Something + Done : I have/ get my hair cut every other month. I have /get my bed made.

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