

EXTRA PRACTICE:

LINK 1

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HAVE THE CAUSATIVE USE - Part 2

GET somebody TO do - HAVE somebody DO

Typical Situations:

a.- Requesting "services" from somebody in particular, sometimes not the person you'd expect.
I got my assistant to translate the manual. (Not a translator!)
= I had my assistant translate it.

My car is not working well. I'll have my brother check it out.
= My car is not working well. I'll get my brother to check it out.

b.- Remember we also use "GET something DONE" to refer to accidents/unpleasant situations.
He got his wallet stolen while he was on the bus.

EXERCISE 1: Fill in these sentences using "GET sth TO do" and the words in brackets.

1. My car was dirty so(brother/wash)
2. My hair is too long (sister/cut)
3. I broke 2 fingers so I couldn't write the letter. (assistant/type)
4. The washing machine has just broken down. (super/look)
5. The grass is too high. (pool guy/cut/tomorrow)
6. The carpets were too dirty after the party. (kids/clean)
7. There was something wrong with my right eyes. (friend/check out)
8. The box was too heavy. (the store/deliver)

EXERCISE 2: Rewrite these sentences using the correct conjugation of the verbs in parentheses.

1. Somebody washed their clothes at the hotel. (have)
2. Somebody is writing the contract for the general manager. (have)
3. An assistant edited the company's latest PR release. (get)
4. Somebody will print this photograph for me. (have)
5. The carpenter changed the locks. (get)
6. Somebody sent me the money to the local office. (have)
7. Somebody is building a new BBQ place for them. (have)
8. My friend will iron my shirt. (get)
9. The barber trimmed his beard. (get)
10. Somebody has published their paper in a journal. (have).