

Verbs and idioms 3

GET

1. What other words or phrases could you use in place of get in these sentences?

- ♦ How many cards did you **get** / _____ for your birthday?
- ♦ He **got**/ _____ really upset when I told him he'd **got**/ _____ to walk.
- ♦ When I **got**/ _____ home I realised I hadn't **got**/ _____ my wallet with me.
- ♦ You have to **get**/ _____ your ticket before you **get**/ _____ the train.

2. Fill the gaps in the sentences below with suitable forms of these phrases:

get better	
get dark	
get an expert to	
get a headache	
get lost	
get ready	

get rid of	
get the joke	
get the sack	
get to sleep	
get started	
get into trouble	

- a) I still haven't _____ my cold.
- b) I hope you soon _____ .
- c) Right, everyone's here, so let's _____ .
- d) I sometimes _____ if I've been studying too long.
- e) We ought to go home, it's _____ .
- f) He didn't laugh because he didn't _____ .
- g) I need plenty of time to _____ before I go out.
- h) If you haven't got a ticket, you'll _____ if an inspector gets on the bus.
- i) I was so excited that I couldn't _____ .
- j) If you can't do it yourself, you'll have to _____ do it for you.
- k) She _____ because her work was unsatisfactory.
- l) Ask someone for directions if you _____ .

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3. Fill the gaps in the statements below with suitable forms of these phrasal verbs and verbs + prepositions:

get (a)round	solve (a problem)	
get (a)round to	find the time	
get at	suggest/try to communicate	
get sy down	make sy feel depressed	
get off	alight from	
get on with	continue	
get on with	manage/progress	
get on with	have a good relationship with	
get out of	avoid	
get over	recover from the disappointment or unhappiness	
get through	get a connection (on the phone)	
get together	meet	

- a) Please, _____ your work - I didn't mean to interrupt you.
- b) They managed to _____ doing the work by pretending to be busy.
- c) I tried to explain what he'd done wrong but he didn't seem to see what I was _____.
- d) He got very upset about failing his driving test, but he soon _____ it.
- e) However difficult a problem is, there is usually a way to _____ it.
- f) _____ the bus when you get to the stop by the railway station.
- g) How are you _____ this exercise?
- h) She doesn't _____ her younger brother, they are always quarrelling.
- i) I hope I'll be able to _____ answering the letters this evening.
- j) I've tried ringing her several times, but I haven't been able to _____.
- k) They decided to _____ later in the week for an informal meeting.
- l) This dull weather is so depressing - it's _____ me _____.