

CAMBRIDGE GR & VOC FOR FCE

THE CAUSATIVE

Read the theory and solve the activities.

1 Complete the conversations. Use the causative form of *have* and the verbs in brackets.

- 0 A: Your hair looks nice.
B: Thanks, I have just had it cut.
(just / it / cut)
- 1 A: I'm finding it difficult to read small print nowadays.
B: Why don't you go and (your eyes / test)?
- 2 A: What a lovely dress!
B: Thanks, I (it / make) for my birthday last year.
- 3 A: My car's been making some funny noises lately.
B: You should (it / service).
- 4 A: I'm freezing!
B: We really need to (central heating / install).
- 5 A: The living room looks lovely.
B: I'm glad you like it. We (just / it / redecorate).
- 6 A: Why aren't you wearing your watch?
B: Actually, I (it / repair) at the moment.
- 7 A: Oops! Sorry, I've just spilt my coffee on the tablecloth!
B: Don't worry. I was going to (it / dry-clean) anyway.
- 8 A: That tree is blocking the view from my front window.
B: Well, you don't expect me to (it / cut down), do you?
- 9 A: I've got a terrible toothache!
B: Well, you really should (that cavity / fill).
- 10 A: We (a swimming pool / build) last weekend.
B: Really? How much did it cost you?

2 Complete the text. Use one word in each gap.

Well, we ⁽⁰⁾ had our house broken into last week. It was awful – they wrecked the place. Not only did we ⁽¹⁾ things taken, not only did I have my beautiful iPhone and camera ⁽²⁾ but a lot of things also ⁽³⁾ broken as they searched the house. Some of the windows ⁽⁴⁾ smashed as they tried to break in, so now we've got to get all the damage ⁽⁵⁾

So we've decided to give the house a complete makeover. We're going to ⁽⁶⁾ the whole house redecorated. The first place we're going to start is the living room. We're going to have ⁽⁷⁾ repainted. I want to have one of the walls ⁽⁸⁾ green, something I've always wanted. I'll also get my housemate ⁽⁹⁾ build a new TV stand and CD tower – both green, of course!

Since the burglary, I've also become more active in the community and have campaigned to ⁽¹⁰⁾ new surveillance cameras installed in our street. This means a lot of trees will ⁽¹¹⁾ chopped down to make people's houses visible to the camera but it is a small sacrifice compared with the safety and security of our homes.



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