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The most common meaning of **take** is to move somebody or something to another place, or lead somebody to another place.

***Take** my coat – it's cold.*
***She took** the girl's hand.*
***I took** the money and left.*
***Marta took** me to the station.*

Take has many other meanings, and is often used in expressions with particular nouns:

borrow or steal sth without permission	*Someone has **taken** my phone.*
eat or drink drugs/medicine	*She has to **take** two **tablets** every day.*
agree to have or accept sth	*I **took his advice** and bought the larger tent.*
do	*My son **takes** his final **exam** tomorrow.*
need an amount of time	***It takes me** an hour to get to work.*
travel on	*My brother **takes the train** to work.* ALSO **get the train**
used with *photo*	*We **took** lots of **photos** on holiday.* (NOT ~~*make a photo*~~)
eat/drink	*Do you **take milk** and **sugar** in coffee?*
wear (a particular size)	*What **size** shoes do you **take**? ~ 43.*

1 Underline the correct answer(s). Be careful: both answers are sometimes correct.

▶ I *took / held* his advice.
1 *Take / Bring* this book to the room next door.
2 Could you *take / bring* that book over here?
3 Don't forget to *take / carry* your books.
4 I'm *taking / doing* an exam tomorrow.
5 What size shoes do you *take / use*?
6 It *takes / needs* an hour to get there.
7 We can *take / get* the bus into town.
8 I want to *take / make* some photos.
9 I don't *take / drink* milk in tea or coffee.

2 Complete the dialogues in a suitable way using *take*.

▶ Have you got any pictures of your new flat? ~ Yes, I've taken lots of photos.
1 Did you drive to the station? ~ No, I _____.
2 Did you do what he suggested? ~ Yes, I _____.
3 I'll have a coffee, please. ~ Fine. Do you _____?
4 Is it easy to get to college? ~ Yeah, it only _____.
5 What shall I do with these books? ~ Oh, could you _____?
6 Your bag was here. Where is it? ~ Oh, I think my brother _____.
7 Is this the medicine the doctor gave you? ~ Yes, I have to _____.
8 Do the shoes fit you? ~ No, I _____.

3 ABOUT YOU Write your answers, or ask another student. If possible, use *take* in your answers.

▶ How do you get to school/university/work? I take the bus or the underground.
1 How long does it take? _____
2 Do you take milk and sugar in coffee? _____
3 What size shoes do you take? _____
4 What was the last exam that you did? _____
5 What pictures do you have on your phone? _____
6 What do you usually do if your parents advise you to do something? _____

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