

GET

GET is one of the most common verbs in English. Its meaning changes depending on the word that follows it.

1. GET + adjective / past participle

get + adjective = become / start to be

get angry

get tired

get cold

get nervous

get ready

get married

2. GET + comparative

get + comparative = become more / less

get better

get worse

get older

get easier

3. GET = buy / obtain / receive

get a job

get a ticket

get a newspaper

get a message



4. GET + preposition (common expressions)

get on (a bus)

get off (a bus)

get up

get into (a car)

5. GET TO = arrive at a place

get home

get to school

get to work

get to the airport

6. GET + person / thing

get someone something = obtain or buy something for someone

Example: I got my sister a birthday present.

PRACTICE

A. Match the expressions with their meanings.

1. get tired _____ a. arrive at a place
2. get a ticket _____ b. become tired
3. get on the bus _____ c. buy/obtain a ticket
4. get to work _____ d. enter a bus
5. get better _____ e. become better
6. get up _____ f. leave your bed

B. Complete the sentences with the correct form of GET.

1. I usually _____ up at 6:30 on weekdays.
2. Don't worry. Your English will _____ better with practice.
3. We need to _____ a ticket before we enter the museum.
4. It is very cold today. I'm _____ cold!
5. What time do you usually _____ to work?
6. Please _____ on the bus at the next stop.

C. Choose the correct meaning of GET.

1. I got a new job last week.
a. became b. obtained c. arrived
2. She gets nervous before exams.
a. becomes b. buys c. arrives
3. We got to the airport at 8:00.
a. bought b. became c. arrived
4. Get off the bus here.
a. leave the bus b. enter the bus c. wake up
5. Can you get me a coffee?
a. become b. bring/buy c. arrive

D. Rewrite using GET.

1. I become tired after work. → I _____ after work.
2. She arrived at school at 7:30. → She _____ at 7:30.
3. Please enter the car. → Please _____ the car.
4. He became nervous before the interview. → He _____ before the interview.
5. They became better at English. → They _____ at English.