

CAUSATIVE VERBS

DEFINITION

ACTIVE

PASSIVE

Interested in the person causing the action

Interested in action that is caused.

make

subject + make/let + somebody + (1)

let

have/get

subject + have/get + somebody + (2)

Subject + have/get + object (something) + (1)

help

Subject + help + somebody +

get

Subject + get + somebody + (1)

want

Subject + need/want + somebody + (2)

Subject + need/want + object +

Object + need/want +

need

Subject + need/want + object (something) + (2)

to give permission or allow someone to do something.

to assist someone to do something.

to commission, pay, or instruct someone to do something

BARE INFINITIVE (1)

BARE INFINITIVE or FULL INFINITIVE

FULL INFINITIVE (1)

to force or oblige someone to do something.

to persuade or encourage someone to do something.

To desire something to be done

FULL INFINITIVE (2)

BARE INFINITIVE (2)

To require something to be done

PASSIVE INFINITIVE

GERUND (informal)

PAST PARTICIPLE (1)

PAST PARTICIPLE (2)