

COLLOCATIONS DO - MAKE

I. Complete the blanks with the verbs **make** and **do**.

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| ▪ _____ an appointment. | ▪ _____ an exercise. |
| ▪ _____ a purchase. | ▪ _____ a mistake. |
| ▪ _____ business. | ▪ _____ a favour. |
| ▪ _____ a change. | ▪ _____ a mess. |
| ▪ _____ certain / sure. | ▪ _____ a reservation. |
| ▪ _____ a complaint. | ▪ _____ a move. |
| ▪ _____ an experiment. | ▪ _____ an operation. |
| ▪ _____ a confession. | ▪ _____ noise. |
| ▪ _____ an injury. | ▪ _____ a service. |
| ▪ _____ a decision. | ▪ _____ ends meet. |
| ▪ _____ a guess | ▪ _____ a job. |
| ▪ _____ a fool of. | ▪ _____ a choice. |
| ▪ _____ an effort. | ▪ _____ an arrangement |
| ▪ _____ good / evil | ▪ _____ fun of. |

II. Complete each of the sentences below with **the correct form of *make* or *do***.

- 1) Don't worry about the exam. You can only _____ your best.
- 2) Carla dropped a whole bottle of olive oil and it _____ a mess.
- 3) Everyone was asleep when I came home so I tried not to _____ a noise.
- 4) My mom says I can _____ a swimming course for a week this summer.
- 5) I needed to have my hair cut so Dad rang the hairdresser to _____ an appointment for me.
- 6) I always help my parents _____ the shopping.
- 7) I missed school on Monday because I was ill so my friend _____ a copy of all the notes for me.
- 8) The sink was full of dirty dishes so I _____ the washing up.
- 9) I've been giving some money for my birthday, but I'm not sure whether to buy a computer game or some new trousers. It's difficult to _____ a decision.
- 10) My mom is going to _____ a delicious meal for us when we get home.

III. Which verbs do the sets of phrases collocate with? Complete the boxes with **make**, **do** or **have**.

PREPARING FOOD/DRINK	ENJOYING FOOD/DRINK
Breakfast	Dinner
An omelette	A snack
A milkshake	A cup of tea

WORK/JOB/TASKS	PLANS/DECISIONS
Research	A decision
Business	A choice
A good/bad job	Arrangements
Something for a living	An appointment
Housework	
The cooking	

WASHING AND RESTING	NON-SPECIFIC
A shower/bath	Nothing
A break/ rest	Something
A nap	Anything
A holiday	Everything

SPEAKING AND SOUNDS	TALKING	DISAGREEING
A suggestion	A discussion	A fight
A request	A chat	An argument
A complaint	A conversation	A quarrel
An excuse	A word with	
(a) noise		
A fuss		

IV. Complete the sentences with the correct form of **make**, **do** or **have**.

1) **A:** I _____ a chat with your English teacher today. You seem to have _____ a good impression on her. She told me you've _____ a lot of progress since the beginning of the year.

B: I should hope so. I've been _____ nothing but studying English.

2) **A:** What does Jack _____ for a living?

B: he's a detective. He often works closely with the police force to catch criminals.

3) **A:** Wow! You've really _____ wonders with this house.

B: The earthquake _____ so much damage that I practically had to rebuild it.

4) **A:** I don't have time to discuss this now, I have to _____ the cooking.

B: Ok, we can _____ this conversation tomorrow.

5) **A:** You shouldn't have _____ such a fuss at the restaurant earlier.

B: Well, the soup was too salty and by the time the waiter brought me my drink, all the ice had melted in it.

A: This happens every time! You complain about the slightest things and then you always end up _____ an argument. I'm not going out with you again!

B: _____ as you please.

6) **A:** Mike and I _____ a good laugh when you mistook that man for a zookeeper.

B: How was I supposed to know he wasn't a zookeeper? He was standing right next to the cage!

A: Oh, stop _____ excuses.

V. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the collocations.

make a difference

do damage

have access

do wonders

make progress

have a good laugh

have second thoughts

do as you please

make a good impression

1) A holiday by the sea will _____ for your health.

2) I've made plans to go out tonight, but now I'm _____ because I'm tired.

3) You don't have to come with us tonight. Feel free to _____

4) A goat got into my grandfather's vegetable garden and _____ a lot of _____

5) I mistook my flatmate for a burglar and started screaming in the middle of the night. I was terrified at the time but now whenever we refer to the incident, we _____

6) I'm optimistic that the new mayor's plans will _____ to our city.

7) Not everyone in the world _____ to clean water.

8) The detectives have found new evidence and are _____ in finding out who committed the crime.

9) Dress nicely and be polite. You want to _____ on your first day, don't you?