

PHRASES AND CLAUSES OF PURPOSE EXERCISES

I. Choose the best answer to fill in the blank.

1. He left home early _____ he could arrive at the station on time.
A. because of B. in order to C. although D. so that
2. He works hard _____ help his family.
A. so as that B. in order to C. in order that D. A and B are correct
3. She turned down the radio so that she wouldn't disturb the neighbors.
A. She turned down the radio so as not to disturb the neighbors.
B. She turned down the radio in order not to disturb the neighbors.
C. She turned down the radio in order that she wouldn't disturb the neighbors.
D. All are correct.
4. He gave me his address. He wanted me to visit him.
A. He gave me his address so as to visit him.
B. He gave me his address for me in order to visit him.
C. He gave me his address in order for me to visit him.
D. He gave me his address in order to for me visit him.
5. He studies hard. He doesn't want to fail in the exam.
=> He studies hard _____ fail in the exam.
A. not to B. so as not to C. in order to D. so that
6. Mary jogs everyday _____ lose weight.
A. so she can B. so that she can C. because she can D. so that to
7. You should look up the meaning of the new in the dictionary _____ misuse it.
A. so as to B. to C. so as not to D. so that
8. He lighted the candle _____ he might read the note.
A. so that B. and C. because D. as a result
9. He turned off the lights before going out _____ waste electricity.

A. so that not B. as not to C. in order that not D. so as not to

10. The school boys are in hurry _____ they will not be late for school.

A. so as to B. to C. in order that D. for

11. He hid that letter in a drawer _____ no one could read it.

A. so that B. because C. although D. than

12. The teacher was explaining the lesson slowly and clearly _____.

- A. to make his students to understand it
- B. in order that his students can understand it
- C. so as to that his students could understand it
- D. so that his students could understand it

13. The boy always does his homework before class _____.

- A. so as not to be punished by the teacher
- B. so as to be punished by the teacher
- C. so that not to be punished by the teacher
- D. in order that not to be punished by the teacher

14. "I tried to study English well. I want to get a good job." Means _____.

- A. I tried to study English well so that I can get a good job.
- B. I tried to study English well in order that I can get a good job.
- C. I tried to study English well to get a good job.
- D. All are correct

15. "They whispered. They didn't want anyone to hear them." Means _____.

- A. They whispered in order to make anyone hear them
- B. They whispered so that no one could hear them
- C. They whispered to make everyone hear them
- D. They whispered in order that make everyone hear them

16. "We preserve natural resources. We can use them in the future." Means _____.

- A. We preserve natural resources so that we can use them in the future
- B. We preserve natural resources so as to we can use them in the future
- C. We preserve natural resources for future use
- D. A and C

17. The students study Englishthey can communicate with foreigners.

- A. so that
- B. so / that
- C. in order to
- D. A & C

18. He left home early_____.

- A. so that he could arrive at the station on time.
- B. in order that he can arrive at the station on time.
- C. so that he couldn't arrive at the station on time.
- D. A& C

19. The teacher explained the lesson again in order that_____.

- A. all the students could understand the lesson.
- B. all the students could drive to school.
- C. all the students could pass the examination.
- D. all the students could exchange the answers.

II. Combine the ideas, using a clause of purpose.

1. Rachel wanted to watch the news. She turned on the TV.

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2. I'll post the card today. I want it to get there on Daniel's birthday.

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3. Please turn down the radio. I want to be able to get to sleep.

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4. She locked the door. She didn't want to be disturbed.

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5. I gave her my address. I wanted her to contact me.

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6. I'm going to cash a check. I want to make sure that I have enough money to go shopping.

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7. Please arrive early. We want to be able to start the meeting on time.

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8. I slowed down. I wanted the car behind to be able to overtake.

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9. Jackson is planning to take a semester off. He wants to travel in Europe.

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10. The man spoke very slowly. He wanted me to understand what he said.

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11. I whispered. I didn't want anybody else to hear our conversation.

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12. I'll give you a map. I want you to find the way all right.

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13. Please be quiet. I want to be able to hear what Sharon is saying.

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14. The little boy pretended to be sick. He wanted to stay home from school.

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15. I turned off the TV. I wanted my roommate to study in peace and quiet.

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III. Change phrases of purpose to clauses of purpose or vice versa (ngược lại).

1. Melanie was hurrying in order not to miss her bus.

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2. All borrowed an eraser so that he could erase a mistake in his composition.

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3. Most people work to earn money.

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4. I wish we had a garden for the children to play in.

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5. She is learning English so that she can study in the United States.

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6. The staff are working at weekends so as not to delay the project any further.

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7. Can we stop for me to buy a newspaper?

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8. We moved to London so that we could visit our parents more often.

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9. We're having to borrow money in order to pay our bills.

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10. I left the door open so that Harry could get in.

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11. I'm going to be very careful so that I won't have an accident.

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12. The government took these measures in order to reduce crime.

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13. He wore glasses and false beard so that he wouldn't be recognized.

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14. I lowered the volume on the TV set so as not to disturb my neighbors.

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15. Yesterday I took my umbrella so that I wouldn't get wet.

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IV. Comment on what each person says. Use the word in brackets.

1. Ilona: I'm learning English. I want to get a better job. (to)

=> *Ilona is learning English to get a better job.*

2. Claude: I study encyclopedias. Then I can answer quiz questions. (so that)

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3. Vicky: I'm saving up. I'm planning a holiday. (for)

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4. Nick: I keep a dog. It guards the house. (to)

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5. Olivia: I booked a babysitter. I wanted to go out for the evening. (so that)

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6. Jessica: I'm going on a diet. I want to lose weight. (in order to)

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7. Trevor: I often switch off the heating. It saves money. (to)

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8. Sarah: I had to go to Birmingham. I had a business meeting. (for)

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9. Emma: I wore boots because I didn't want my feet to get wet. (so that)

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10. Mark: I'm saving my money. I'm planning to travel in Europe next summer. (in order to)

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