

HAVE/GET something done

Write sentences in the Causative form as in the example:

1. Mike is going to ask a carpenter to put the doors up. *Mike is going to have the doors put up.*
2. Tony asked a mechanic to fix the car.
3. You should ask a plumber to unblock the toilet.
4. Ask the maid to tidy your room.
5. Simon is going to ask a tailor to make a suit for him.
6. Did he ask the optician to test his eyes?
7. Tommy asks his brother to do his homework.
8. The girl asked her mother to read the story to her.
9. They will ask a chef to cook the meal.
10. The report is being typed by his secretary.
11. She will ask a decorator to decorate the lounge.
12. You should ask someone to fix your car brakes.
13. When will your new shower be installed?
14. Bruce may ask a builder to repair his roof.
15. Are you going to ask someone to service your motorbike?
16. I've asked the secretary to rewrite the whole report.
17. Her children are being taught computer science.
18. James asked the messenger to send the flowers round to his girlfriend's house.
19. Can't you ask someone to repair the washing machine?
20. You should ask them to install a telephone.
21. Mary's lawn was mowed yesterday.
22. Jane wants someone to make her a dress.
23. Bob's hair has just been cut.
24. Sharon might ask someone to dye her hair red tomorrow.
25. Debbie has asked someone to fit new carpets in her house.
26. Someone is massaging Sue's feet at the moment.
27. I used to ask the dentist to polish my teeth every six months.
28. Our house needs to be painted.

Jane and Naomi are models. Jane does everything herself but Naomi is lazy and has everything done for her. Put the verbs in brackets into the Causative form.

- ane: I like doing my own hair. I usually wash it every two days.
mi: I don't. I 1) ...*have mine washed*.. (wash) every day by my hairdresser.
ane: I dyed my hair yesterday.
mi: Oh! I 2) (dye) last week.
ane: I enjoy doing my own make-up too, don't you?
mi: Oh no. I 3) (do) by a beautician.
ane: I make my own clothes. I like things you can't buy in shops.
mi: I 4) (make) by my dressmaker.
She's very good.
ane: Sometimes I even repair my own car. I'm quite a good mechanic.
mi: How horrible! I 5) (repair) at the garage. It's cheap and I don't get my clothes dirty.
ane: But it's easy to wash your clothes, isn't it?
mi: I prefer 6) (wash) at the cleaner's.
ane: I like to relax by tidying the garden.
mi: Well I relax while I 7) (tidy) by the gardener.
ane: I've got to go now. I'm going to polish my nails.
mi: You should do what I do. I 8) (polish) by a manicurist.

Rephrase the following using the words in brackets.

1. My sister is in hospital where they are taking her appendix out. (having)
..My sister is in hospital having her appendix taken out.
2. A tailor made his new suit. (had)
3. A naughty boy broke Jim's shop window. (had)
4. My friend will ask someone to organise his party. (organised)
5. She asked a caterer to prepare the food for the reception. (had)
6. Is your friend feeding the dog while you're away? (fed)
7. He's going to ask an accountant to check his receipts. (checked)
8. A plumber repaired Mrs Smith's sink. (got)
9. Her dad will shorten her jeans. (shortened)
10. His finger was shot off in the war. (had)
11. His car is in the garage where they are changing its wheels. (having)
12. Tommy's bicycle was stolen. (had)
13. She will ask someone to build a shed for her. (built)
14. Did you get your brother to fix your motorbike? (have)

Read the situations, then write sentences using the causative form.

- 1 Our house is small. We need to build an extension. What should we do? ...*We should have an extension built.*.....
- 2 Liz is at the beauty parlour. The beautician is painting her nails. What is she doing?
.....
- 3 Wilf has written a novel and it's going to be published. What is Wilf going to do?
.....
- 4 A jeweller has made a special wedding ring for Ann. What has Ann done?
.....
- 5 Simon's suits are all made by a tailor. What does Simon do?
.....
- 6 They have been burgled three times. Putting in a burglar alarm would help. What should they do?
.....
- 7 Tina's boots have a hole in them. She can't wear them until they are mended. What should she have done?
- 8 Sonia is going to the optician for an eye test tomorrow. What's she going to do?
.....
- 9 Trevor has paid a technician to install his computer. What has he done?
.....
- 10 They had arranged for their house to be cleaned by the end of the week. Now it is clean. What had they done?
- 11 The grass has grown too much. What should they have done?
.....
- 12 His tooth was filled yesterday. What happened to him?
.....
- 13 No one has informed them of the meeting. What should he have done for them?
.....