

7 Grammar *have / get something done*

A Rewrite the sentences using *have / get + object + past participle* or *need + to be + past participle*.

1 My sister has just paid a photographer to take a professional photo of her.

2 They said they would hire someone to fix the hole in the roof.

3 At university, I persuaded a friend to proofread all of my history essays.

4 We need to clean the carpet.

5 Next week, I'm going to arrange an appointment with a dentist to clean my teeth.

6 I'm using my brother's laptop while someone is repairing mine.

7 We had a coffee while somebody at the copy center was printing all of our documents.

8 After they bought the house, they hired someone to change the locks on all the doors.

9 Do you think we have enough money to pay someone to paint the apartment before we sell it?

10 A hairdresser was cutting Lia's hair when her mother called.

B Work in small groups. Together you are going to plan a surprise birthday for a friend. You want everything to be perfect for the big day, but you don't have time to do everything yourselves. Discuss what you need to have done. For example: *We should have special T-shirts made that say, "Happy 40th birthday, Sonia."*