

LESSON 90

478 **to have something done**

homework

The structure "to have something done" communicates that we do not do the action ourselves, but that somebody else does it for us. For example, "I do not cut my hair myself; I have my hair cut by the hairdresser". Instead of saying "John is going to repair my computer for me", we can say "I am going to have my computer repaired by John".

What does the structure "to have something done" communicate?

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Give me an example, please.

I don't cut my hair myself;
I have my hair cut by a hairdresser

Do you clean your shoes yourself or do you have them cleaned by someone else?

I clean my shoes myself
– I don't clean my shoes myself;
I have them cleaned by someone else

Instead of the verb "to have" we can use the verb "to get". For example, "I got my hair cut yesterday".

What can we use instead of the verb "to have"?

We can use the verb "to get" instead of ...

Do very young children sometimes get their homework done for them by their parents?

Yes, very young children ...

power

powerful

laptop

desktop

Do you think governments generally have too much power?

Yes, I think ... – No, I don't think ...

479 **Who do you think is the most powerful person in this country?**

I think ... is the most ...

Do laptops use more power than desktop computers?

No,
laptops don't ...

save

rescue

protect

spend

The verb "save" can mean "to keep for the future", "to rescue", "to protect", and "to spend less".

Do you spend all your money or do you try to save some and put it in the bank?

I spend all my money

~ I don't spend all my money;

I try to save some and put it in the bank

If you saw someone in difficulty in the sea, how would you try to save their life?

If I saw ..., I'd try to save their life by ...

What does an old man carry to save himself from falling over while walking?

An old man carries a walking stick to save ...

Would you save any time if you used a different means of transport to come to school?

Yes, I'd save some time if I ...

~ No, I wouldn't save any time if I ...

When you close a computer program, does it usually remind you to save your work first?

Yes, when I ..., it usually reminds me to save my work first

trade

tradesman

skill

bake

baker

butcher

builder

What kind of things does your country mainly trade in?

My country mainly trades in ...

- 480 **By a trade, we usually mean a job that a person does mainly with their hands, and for which they need a special skill. Some examples of tradesmen are bakers, butchers, builders etc.**

What do we usually mean by a trade?

By a trade, we usually mean a ...

What's one of the best-paid trades in your country?

One of the best-paid trades in my country is...

close /kləʊz/

close /kləʊs/

What's the difference between the words "close" /kləʊz/ and "close" /kləʊs/?

The difference between ... is that "close" /kləʊz/ is a verb meaning "shut", whereas "close" /kləʊs/ is an adjective meaning "near"

What's the closest you've ever been to real danger? The closest I've ever been to real danger was when ...

trip

fortnight

A trip is a journey to a place and back again. For example, a business trip, a trip to the shops, a trip around the world etc.

If you went on a trip to New York, what would you see? If I went ..., I'd see ...

When people go on business trips, do their companies usually pay for everything? Yes, when people ...

Which would you prefer: an exciting trip to a big city for the weekend or a quiet fortnight on the beach? I'd prefer ...

481 **every now and again**

What does the expression "every now and again" mean? The expression "every now and again" means ...

Is it a good idea to give one's house a thorough cleaning from top to bottom every now and again? Yes, it's a ...

no longer

What do you do with clothes that you no longer wear? I ... clothes that I no longer wear

island

What's an island? An island is a piece of land completely surrounded by water

ocean

Atlantic

Pacific

Indian

Name me some oceans, please.

The names ... are the Atlantic Ocean, the Pacific Ocean and the Indian Ocean

screen

DVD

CD

Do you prefer to watch films at home on DVD, or at the cinema on the big screen? I prefer ...

Do you buy CDs and DVDs more often in the shops or online? I buy CDs ...

482 Is it bad for your eyes to look at a computer screen for too long? Yes, it's bad ...

produce

What does your country produce?

My country produces ...

boast

What kind of things do people often boast about?

People often boast about their jobs, things that they own etc.

necessity

Is wearing a tie a necessity for some occupations these days?

Yes, wearing ...



Dictation 57

To protect themselves from the rain, / they threw themselves down / under the big piece of wood / that stood against the wall. / If they had not done so, / they would have got / thoroughly wet / If we drive carelessly, / we might have an accident. / However, driving too slowly / is also fairly dangerous. / It is strange to think / that from these small beginnings / we will get a large tree. / I gave her some advice / on caring for her dog. / Each member of a royal family / has a title.



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