



A2 Core Verbs — A2 exercises

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A. Multiple choice

10 questions

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. I need to ____ a decision by Friday.
A) do B) make C) take D) get
2. Could you ____ me the truth?
A) say B) tell C) speak D) talk
3. She didn't ____ anything about the change.
A) tell B) speak C) say D) talk
4. Who is going to ____ the washing-up?
A) make B) take C) get D) do
5. Let me ____ a photograph of you both.
A) take B) make C) do D) get
6. I'll ____ the bus into town.
A) take B) make C) do D) get
7. Can you ____ me a favour?
A) make B) take C) do D) give
8. He always ____ a lot of noise in the morning.
A) does B) takes C) gets D) makes
9. ____ me know when you get there.
A) Make B) Let C) Do D) Take
10. I ____ an email from the bank this morning.
A) took B) made C) got D) did

B. Fill in the blank

8 questions

Write the missing word or words in the gap.

1. We need to _____ a decision about the holiday.
2. Please _____ me what happened at the meeting.
3. He didn't _____ a word all evening.

4. Who is going to _____ the shopping this week?
5. Let me _____ a photo before you leave.
6. I usually _____ the train to work.
7. Could you _____ me a favour and post this?
8. The children are _____ a lot of noise upstairs.

C. Sentence building

5 questions

Put the words in the correct order and write the sentence on the line.

1. must / a / We / decision / make / today.

Insist on choosing, using the right verb.

2. tell / Please / what / me / happened.

Ask for an account, naming the listener.

3. all. / didn't / say / at / He / anything

Report complete silence, with no listener named.

4. the / is / doing / washing / up? / Who

Ask about a household chore.

5. take / you. / photo / a / me / of / Let

Offer to photograph somebody.

Answer key

Every answer carries the reason behind it. Read the reason for the questions you got right as well — that is where you find out whether you were right for the right reason.

A. Multiple choice

1. **B) make** — English makes decisions; it does not do them.
2. **B) tell** — Tell is followed by a person; say is not.
3. **C) say** — Say is used when no listener is named.
4. **D) do** — Do is used for chores and unnamed activities.
5. **A) take** — English takes photographs.
6. **A) take** — Take is used with forms of transport.
7. **C) do** — Do a favour is the fixed combination.
8. **D) makes** — English makes noise, mistakes and progress.
9. **B) Let** — Let me know is a fixed expression meaning tell me.
10. **C) got** — Get means receive in this context.

B. Fill in the blank

1. **make** — Decisions are made in English, never done.
2. **tell** — Tell is followed directly by a person.
3. **say** — Say is used when no listener is named.
4. **do** — Do is used with chores and general activities.
5. **take** — English takes photographs.
6. **take** — Take is used with forms of transport.
7. **do** — Do a favour is the fixed combination.
8. **making** — English makes noise, mistakes and progress.

C. Sentence building

1. **We must make a decision today.**
2. **Please tell me what happened.**
3. **He didn't say anything at all.**
4. **Who is doing the washing up?**
5. **Let me take a photo of you.**