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Make vs do · Worksheet 1

Write one word: the correct form of make or do. Words like yesterday and last week tell you to use the past.

REMEMBER

- Fixed phrases with make: make a mistake, a decision, a phone call, a promise, an effort, a plan, an appointment, a suggestion, a difference, friends, money, progress
- Make = create or produce something new: make dinner, make a cake, make a list, make a noise
- Do = work, jobs and tasks: do homework, do the dishes, do the laundry, do the housework, do a good job
- Do = an activity in general, when you do not say exactly what: do something, do nothing, do your best, do well
- Fixed phrases with do: do business, do exercise, do research, do damage

1. I need to _____ a phone call.
2. My father likes to _____ a sandwich for lunch.
3. I always try to _____ my homework before dinner.
4. What are you _____ here? I thought you were at work.
5. Our company wants to _____ business with companies in Asia.
6. She _____ a mistake in the test yesterday.
7. She is _____ a cake for the party.
8. He _____ the dishes after lunch yesterday.
9. I _____ nothing yesterday. I was very tired.
10. You should _____ some exercise every day.
11. It is hard to _____ a decision.
12. We should _____ a list of things to buy.
13. I have to _____ the laundry today.
14. You can only _____ your best.
15. Scientists must _____ research to find new medicines.
16. He _____ a lot of money last year.
17. The children _____ a lot of noise last night.
18. We usually have to _____ the housework on Saturdays.
19. Can I _____ anything to help?
20. The storm _____ a lot of damage last night.

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Make vs do · Worksheet 1 · Answer key

Each answer includes the rule behind it.

1. I need to make a phone call.
Fixed phrases with make: make a mistake, a decision, a phone call, a promise, an effort, a plan, an appointment, a suggestion, a difference, friends, money, progress

2. My father likes to make a sandwich for lunch.
Make = create or produce something new: make dinner, make a cake, make a list, make a noise

3. I always try to do my homework before dinner.
Do = work, jobs and tasks: do homework, do the dishes, do the laundry, do the housework, do a good job

4. What are you doing here? I thought you were at work.
Do = an activity in general, when you do not say exactly what: do something, do nothing, do your best, do well

5. Our company wants to do business with companies in Asia.
Fixed phrases with do: do business, do exercise, do research, do damage

6. She made a mistake in the test yesterday.
Fixed phrases with make: make a mistake, a decision, a phone call, a promise, an effort, a plan, an appointment, a suggestion, a difference, friends, money, progress

7. She is making a cake for the party.
Make = create or produce something new: make dinner, make a cake, make a list, make a noise

8. He did the dishes after lunch yesterday.
Do = work, jobs and tasks: do homework, do the dishes, do the laundry, do the housework, do a good job

9. I did nothing yesterday. I was very tired.
Do = an activity in general, when you do not say exactly what: do something, do nothing, do your best, do well

10. You should do some exercise every day.
Fixed phrases with do: do business, do exercise, do research, do damage

11. It is hard to make a decision.
Fixed phrases with make: make a mistake, a decision, a phone call, a promise, an effort, a plan, an appointment, a suggestion, a difference, friends, money, progress

12. We should make a list of things to buy.
Make = create or produce something new: make dinner, make a cake, make a list, make a noise

13. I have to do the laundry today.
Do = work, jobs and tasks: do homework, do the dishes, do the laundry, do the housework, do a good job

14. You can only do your best.
Do = an activity in general, when you do not say exactly what: do something, do nothing, do your best, do well

15. Scientists must do research to find new medicines.
Fixed phrases with do: do business, do exercise, do research, do damage

16. He made a lot of money last year.
Fixed phrases with make: make a mistake, a decision, a phone call, a promise, an effort, a plan, an appointment, a suggestion, a difference, friends, money, progress

17. The children made a lot of noise last night.
Make = create or produce something new: make dinner, make a cake, make a list, make a noise

18. We usually have to do the housework on Saturdays.
Do = work, jobs and tasks: do homework, do the dishes, do the laundry, do the housework, do a good job

19. Can I do anything to help?
Do = an activity in general, when you do not say exactly what: do something, do nothing, do your best, do well

20. The storm did a lot of damage last night.
Fixed phrases with do: do business, do exercise, do research, do damage

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