

do and make

A

Do is a general word for actions:

- What are you **doing** tonight? (not What are you **making**?)
- "Should I open the window?" "No, it's OK. I'll **do** it."
- Emma's job is very boring. She **does** the same thing every day.
- I **did** a lot of things yesterday.

What do you do? = What's your job?:

- "What do you **do**?" "I work in a bank."

B

make = produce/create. For example:

She's **making** coffee.He **made** a cake.They **make** toys.It was **made** in China.

Compare do and make:

- I **did** a lot yesterday. I **cleaned** my room, I **wrote** some letters, and I **made** a cake.
- A: What do you **do** in your free time? Read? Play sports?
B: I **make** clothes. I **make** dresses and jackets. I also **make** toys for my children.

C

Expressions with do

do	homework housework (somebody) a favor an exercise (your) best
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- Did the children **do their homework**?
- I hate **doing housework**, especially cleaning.
- Nicole, could you **do me a favor**?
- I have to **do four exercises** for homework tonight.
- I **did my best**, but I didn't win the race.

also **do the laundry** / **do the dishes** / **do the grocery shopping**

- I **did the laundry**, but I didn't **do the grocery shopping**
- I cooked, so you should **do the dishes**.

D

Expressions with make

make	a mistake an appointment a phone call a list (a) noise a bed
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- I'm sorry. I **made a mistake**.
- I need to **make an appointment** to see the doctor.
- Excuse me, I have to **make a phone call**.
- Did you **make a shopping list**?
- It's late. Don't **make any noise**.
- Sometimes I forget to **make my bed** in the morning.

We say **make a movie** but **take a picture / take a photo**:

- When was **this movie made**?
- but When was **this picture taken**?

Exercises

55.1 Write **make/making/made** or **do/doing/did/done**.

- 1 "Should I open the window?" "No, that's OK. I'll do it."
- 2 What did you last weekend? Did you leave town?
- 3 Do you know how to bread?
- 4 Paper is from wood.
- 5 Kyle didn't help me. He sat in an armchair and nothing.
- 6 "What do you ?" "I'm a doctor."
- 7 I asked you to clean the bathroom. Did you it?
- 8 "What do they in that factory?" "Shoes."
- 9 I'm some coffee. Would you like some?
- 10 Why are you angry with me? I didn't anything wrong.
- 11 "What are you tomorrow afternoon?" "I'm working."

55.2 What are these people doing?



- 1 He's making a cake.
- 2 They 6
- 3 He 7
- 4 8
- 5 9
- 6 10

55.3 Write **make** or **do** in the correct form.

- 1 I hate doing housework, especially cleaning.
- 2 Why do you always the same mistake?
- 3 "Can you me a favor?" "It depends what it is."
- 4 "Did you your homework?" "Not yet."
- 5 I need to see the dentist, but I haven't an appointment.
- 6 Joe his best, but he didn't pass his driver's test.
- 7 I painted the door, but I didn't it very well.
- 8 How many phone calls did you yesterday?
- 9 When you finish Exercise 1, you can Exercise 2.
- 10 There's something wrong with the car. The engine is a strange noise.
- 11 It was a bad mistake. It was the worst mistake I've ever
- 12 Let's a list of all the things we have to today.