Make vs Do — Worksheet

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Choose the correct option (a–d) for each gap or question. Check yourself with the answer key on the last page.

1. My brother _____ the cooking at home, and I clean the kitchen afterwards.
   a) do b) makes c) doing d) does

2. I _____ a terrible mistake yesterday — I sent the email to the wrong person.
   a) did b) made c) maked d) make

3. Have you _____ your homework yet, or are you still working on it?
   a) did b) made c) doing d) done

4. Could you be a bit quieter? You _____ a lot of noise at the moment.
   a) are doing b) are making c) make d) were making

5. She has _____ a lot of progress with her English since September.
   a) done b) did c) make d) made

6. What _____ your sister _____? — She's a nurse at the local hospital.
   a) does … make b) do … do c) does … do d) does … does

7. I _____ my best in the interview, but they gave the job to someone else.
   a) did b) made c) done d) do

8. These shoes _____ in Italy, and the leather is very soft.
   a) were done b) made c) were made d) did

9. What _____ you _____? — I'm writing an email to my landlord.
   a) are … doing b) do … doing c) do … do d) did … do

10. Thanks for _____ me that favour last week — I really appreciated it.
    a) making b) doing c) do d) did

11. Every morning I _____ my bed before I have breakfast.
    a) do b) makes c) does d) make

12. I try to _____ some exercise every day, even if it's only a short walk.
    a) do b) make c) doing d) makes

13. We need to _____ a decision by Friday, or we'll lose the offer.
    a) do b) doing c) make d) did

14. He's quite lazy at home — he never _____ any housework.
    a) makes b) does c) do d) make

15. My tooth hurts, so I'm going to _____ an appointment with the dentist.
a) do b) take c) make d) did

16. The storm _____ a lot of damage to the houses near the river.
a) made b) did c) done d) make

17. She _____ a lot of money when she sold her company last year.
a) did b) done c) makes d) made

18. It's my first week at the new school, and I haven't _____ any friends yet.
a) done b) made c) did d) make

19. Please _____ an effort to arrive on time tomorrow — the meeting starts at nine.
a) do b) take c) make d) done

20. Don't forget to _____ sure the windows are closed before you leave.
a) make b) do c) get d) take

21. You _____ your best, so don't worry if you _____ a few mistakes.
a) made … did b) did … did c) made … made d) did … made

22. Can you _____ me a favour and _____ a reservation for dinner? My phone is dead.
a) do … make b) make … do c) do … do d) make … make

23. If you want to _____ money, you need to _____ business with people you trust.
a) do … make b) make … make c) do … do d) make … do

24. He _____ a promise to help me move, and in the end he _____ most of the packing.
a) did … made b) made … made c) made … did d) did … did

25. The kids have _____ a mess in the kitchen, so now they're _____ the cleaning.
a) made … doing b) done … making c) made … making d) done … doing

26. Which sentence is correct?
a) I made a lot of research for my essay.
b) I did a lot of research for my essay.
c) I did a lot of researches for my essay.
d) I have made a lot of research for my essay.

27. Which sentence is correct?
a) Can I do a suggestion? Let's meet at the café instead.
b) Can I tell a suggestion? Let's meet at the café instead.
c) Can I make a suggest? Let's meet at the café instead.
d) Can I make a suggestion? Let's meet at the café instead.

28. Which is correct?
a) What did you do last night? — I stayed in and read a book.
b) What did you make last night? — I stayed in and read a book.
c) What did you did last night? — I stayed in and read a book.
d) What have you done last night? — I stayed in and read a book.

29. Which sentence is correct?
a) She spends a long time making her hair in the morning.
b) She spends a long time doing her hairs in the morning.
c) She spends a long time doing her hair in the morning.
d) She spends a long time to do her hair in the morning.

30. Which sentence is correct?
a) It doesn't do any difference to me where we eat.
b) It doesn't make any difference to me where we eat.
c) It doesn't makes any difference to me where we eat.
d) It doesn't made any difference to me where we eat.

Answer Key

Make vs Do · Explanations are shortened — the full interactive version is at gramvoy.com/exercises/make-vs-do/

1. d) does
Cooking is an activity, so it takes do: do the cooking.

2. b) made
Mistake takes make in English, and yesterday needs the past simple: make – made – made.

3. d) done
Homework takes do, and after have comes the participle: do – did – done.

4. b) are making
Noise takes make, and at the moment asks for the present continuous: are making.

5. d) made
Progress goes with make, and after has comes the participle made.

6. c) does … do
What does she do?

7. a) did
The phrase is do your best, and gave shows a finished past: did.

8. c) were made
Shoes are produced, so the verb is make, and the shoes don't do the action themselves — someone made them: the passive were made.

9. a) are … doing
The answer describes an action in progress, so the question is What are you doing?

10. b) doing
The phrase is do someone a favour, and after a preposition like for the verb takes -ing: doing.

11. d) make
Tidying the sheets is make the bed, a fixed phrase: make.

12. a) do
Exercise is an activity, so it takes do: try to do some exercise.

13. c) make
Decision goes with make: We need to make a decision.

14. b) does
Housework is work at home, so it takes do: he never does any housework.

15. c) make
You arrange a visit with make an appointment: make.

16. b) did
Damage is a fixed phrase with do: do damage, so in the past did.

17. d) made
Money is a result you produce, so make money; last year asks for the past simple made.

18. b) made
The phrase is make friends, and after haven't comes the participle made.

19. c) make
Effort goes with make: Please make an effort.

20. a) make
Make sure means "check that something is so" and is a fixed phrase: make.

21. d) did … made
Two fixed phrases with different verbs: do your best → did, make a mistake → made.

22. a) do … make
A favour takes do — Can you do me a favour — and a booking takes make: make a reservation.

23. d) make … do
Money is a result, so make money; trading is an activity, so do business.

24. c) made … did
You make a promise → made, but packing is a job ending in -ing, so do the packing → did.

25. a) made … doing
A mess is a result, so make a mess → have made; cleaning is housework with -ing, so do the cleaning → are doing.

26. b) I did a lot of research for my essay.
Research is work, so it takes do: I did a lot of research.

27. d) Can I make a suggestion? Let's meet at the café instead.
Suggestion goes with make: Can I make a suggestion?

28. a) What did you do last night? — I stayed in and read a book.
Asking about activities uses do twice: What did you do?

29. c) She spends a long time doing her hair in the morning.
Styling your hair is do your hair, and after spend time comes -ing: doing her hair.

30. b) It doesn't make any difference to me where we eat.
The phrase is make a difference: It doesn't make any difference to me.