

Basics. Asking About Duration: How Long Does It Take?

Easy

A1 | Elementary | Beginners

Auxiliary verb

Infinitive

Object

Present tense

Pronoun

Questions

Subject

Verb

Simple tense

Word order

1. Help the new student figure out their morning commute. Select the correct word for each gap.

"How _____ does it _____ to get to campus?"

"It _____ about twenty minutes by bus."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) much
- B) long
- C) many

Blank 2

- A) takes
- B) make
- C) take

Blank 3

- A) take
- B) takes
- C) taking

2. Help the excited teenagers plan their beach trip by dragging the correct words into their conversation.

"How _____ does it _____ to drive to the beach?"

"It _____ about two hours, so we should leave soon!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) far
- B) long
- C) much

Blank 2

- A) make
- B) take
- C) do

Blank 3

- A) needs
- B) takes
- C) wants

3. Help Leo complain about his mountain of homework. Select the correct option for each blank.

"How long _____ it take _____ finish this math worksheet?"

"I don't know, but it usually _____ me two hours!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) do
- B) is
- C) does

Blank 2

- A) for
- B) to
- C) at

Blank 3

- A) take
- B) takes
- C) taking

4. Complete the hungry student's interview with the pastry chef by dragging the right words into the blanks.

"Excuse me, chef! How long _____ it take _____ bake a chocolate cake?"

"Usually, it takes forty-five _____."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) do
- B) does
- C) is

Blank 2

- A) for
- B) to
- C) at

Blank 3

- A) clocks
- B) minutes
- C) times

5. Help the new university student figure out their morning commute! Select ALL the grammatically correct questions they could ask.

Select all that apply.

- A) How long does it take to get to the campus?
- B) How long does it take you to walk to school?
- C) How long it takes to go to the university?
- D) How long does take it to drive there?

6. Help the excited friends plan their road trip to the beach by choosing the correct word.

"How long _____ it take to drive to the coast?" asked Sarah, already packing her sunglasses.

Select one.

- A) do
- B) does
- C) is
- D) has

7. Your roommate is staring at the oven with a very hungry look. Select ALL the correct ways they can ask you about the cooking time.

Select all that apply.

- A) How long does it take to make dinner?
- B) How long does it take to bake the pizza?
- C) How long time does it take to cook?
- D) How long do it take to finish the soup?

8. Complete the hungry teenager's question to the pastry chef.

"This smells amazing! How long does _____ take to bake a giant chocolate cake?"

Select one.

- A) this
- B) that
- C) it
- D) he

9. Complete the text messages between two friends planning a baking disaster. Choose the best word for each gap.

Sam: I want to bake a chocolate cake. How _____ it take to make one?

Alex: Usually, it _____ an hour, but for you... maybe three hours!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) far
- B) time
- C) long

Blank 2

- A) do
- B) does
- C) is

Blank 3

- A) taking
- B) takes
- C) is taking

10. Choose the right word to complete the impatient musician's question.

"I want to be a rock star by next Tuesday. How long does it _____ to learn the guitar?"

Select one.

- A) take
- B) takes
- C) taking
- D) took

11. Your friend just bought a brand-new acoustic guitar and wants to know what to expect. Select ALL the grammatically correct questions your friend could ask you.

Select all that apply.

- A) How long does it take to learn the guitar?
- B) How long does it take to play a simple song?
- C) How long does it takes to learn music?
- D) How long does it take learning the guitar?

12. Help the new employee figure out her morning commute by dragging the correct words into the text messages.

"How long does _____ take you to get to the office?"

"It takes _____ half an _____ by train."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) he
- B) it
- C) this

Blank 2

- A) I
- B) me
- C) my

Blank 3

- A) clock
- B) hour
- C) time