

Make, Do, and More: Food & Home Collocations

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Phrase

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Collocations

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1. A TV chef is describing how to prepare a meal. Select ALL the sentences that use correct cooking collocations.

Select all that apply.

- A) Peel the potatoes and chop the onions.
- B) Spread the potatoes and slice the butter.
- C) Grate the cheese and season the meat.
- D) Whisk the eggs and preheat the oven.
- E) Preheat the salad and toss the oven.

2. It's date night! Your friend is planning a romantic evening. Choose the correct word to complete the collocation.

"I need to ____ a table at that new Italian restaurant."

Select one.

- A) order
- B) book
- C) take
- D) do

3. Mia is planning a birthday dinner at a fancy restaurant. Complete her text message to a friend. Choose the best word for each gap.

Hey! I just _____ a table for Saturday night at Luigi's. Let's _____ a bite before the movie starts!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) booked
- B) ordered
- C) asked
- D) bought

Blank 2

- A) grab
- B) take
- C) catch
- D) hold

4. Your friend is learning to cook and keeps mixing up common kitchen phrases. Select ALL the collocations that sound natural in English.

Select all that apply.

- A) make breakfast
- B) do breakfast
- C) do the washing-up
- D) make the washing-up
- E) make a cup of tea

5. Grandma is getting ready for a family lunch. Help complete what she says to her grandchildren. Choose the best word for each gap.

Could you _____ the table, please? And don't forget — Uncle Bob is on a diet, so I'll _____ a salad just for him.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) set
- B) put
- C) place
- D) prepare

Blank 2

- A) make
- B) do
- C) cook
- D) fix

6. Choose the correct cooking verb for each gap in Chef Rosa's instructions for her famous pasta sauce.

First, _____ the onions into small pieces. Next, _____ the cheese on top before serving.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) grate
- B) chop
- C) squeeze

Blank 2

- A) chop
- B) grate
- C) peel

7. Your host family wants to know how helpful you are around the house. Select ALL the phrases that correctly use **make**.

Select all that apply.

- A) make the bed
- B) make a mess
- C) make the hoovering
- D) make a snack
- E) make the shopping

8. The waiter was amazing — friendly, fast, and he even remembered your allergy! Choose the correct collocation.

"The service was fantastic. We should ____ a generous tip."

Select one.

- A) give out
- B) pay
- C) leave
- D) put

9. Choose the correct word for each gap to complete this text about Sam's lunch break.

Sam didn't have much time, so he decided to _____ a quick bite at the café. He looked at the menu and decided to _____ the soup of the day.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) have
- B) grab
- C) take

Blank 2

- A) grab
- B) order
- C) pick

10. Dinner is almost ready, and Mom needs help. Choose the correct word to complete what she says.

"Could you ___ the table, please? The food will be ready in five minutes!"

Select one.

- A) set
- B) do
- C) make
- D) put

11. Help Sam describe his evening routine to his new roommate. Choose the best word for each gap.

Every evening, I _____ dinner for the whole family. After we eat, my sister _____ the table while I _____ the dishes.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) do
- B) make
- C) cook up
- D) take

Blank 2

- A) does
- B) clears
- C) makes
- D) takes

Blank 3

- A) do
- B) wash
- C) make
- D) clear

12. You're at a restaurant with friends and everyone is trying to sound like a local. Select ALL the phrases that are natural English collocations for dining out.

Select all that apply.

- A) book a table
- B) catch a table
- C) leave a tip
- D) put a tip
- E) grab a bite to eat

13. It's Saturday morning — chore time! Complete the family's to-do list by choosing the best word for each gap.

Dad: I'll _____ the laundry.

Mum: I need to _____ the clothes before we go out.

Tom: Fine, I'll _____ the carpet in the living room.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

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

Blank 2

- A) iron
- B) press
- C) flatten
- D) smooth

Blank 3

- A) vacuum
- B) sweep
- C) dust
- D) brush

14. Grandma is sharing her secret cookie recipe. Choose the correct collocation to complete what she says.

"First, you need to ____ a recipe. I'll give you my favorite one!"

Select one.

- A) make
- B) follow
- C) go
- D) do

15. Choose the correct word for each gap to complete this couple's dinner-out adventure.

We decided to _____ a table at the new Italian place. After dessert, Tom asked the waiter to _____ a tip on the table.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) make
- B) book
- C) leave

Blank 2

- A) reserve
- B) leave
- C) book

16. It's Sunday — chore day! Choose the correct word to complete this common household collocation.

"I really need to ____ the laundry. I'm running out of clean socks!"

Select one.

- A) make
- B) wash
- C) do
- D) run

17. Jake and Lily had a wonderful dinner at a new restaurant. Complete their conversation by choosing the best word for each gap.

Jake: That was amazing! Are you ready to _____ for the bill?

Lily: Sure. The waiter was so friendly — let's _____ a generous tip!

Jake: Agreed. Next time, let's _____ the seafood menu.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) ask
- B) call
- C) order
- D) demand

Blank 2

- A) leave
- B) give
- C) put
- D) pay

Blank 3

- A) try
- B) taste
- C) eat
- D) sample

18. After a delicious family meal, someone has to clean up. Choose the correct collocation to complete the sentence.

"You cooked, so I'll ____ the dishes."

Select one.

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

19. Chef Marco is teaching a beginner's cooking class. Complete his instructions by choosing the best word for each gap.

First, _____ the potatoes and _____ the onions into small pieces. Then _____ the sauce gently so it doesn't burn.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) peel
- B) cut
- C) remove
- D) strip

Blank 2

- A) chop
- B) break
- C) cut up
- D) rip

Blank 3

- A) stir
- B) shake
- C) turn
- D) spin

20. Choose the correct verb for each gap to help little Tomás with his chores before the family dinner party.

Mum asked me to _____ the table for six people. After that, she told me to _____ my bed because Grandma was coming to see my room!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) do
- B) lay
- C) clear

Blank 2

- A) lay
- B) make
- C) do

21. Your roommate just texted: "I'm starving! " Help them finish their message by choosing the correct collocation.

Don't worry — I'll ____ dinner tonight!

Select one.

- A) do
- B) make
- C) cook up
- D) prepare up

22. Choose the correct word for each gap to help Marta describe her Saturday cleaning spree.

First, I _____ the table after lunch. Then I _____ the ironing while listening to music.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) set
- B) clear
- C) lay

Blank 2

- A) make
- B) do
- C) lay

23. It's Saturday morning and your flatmate left you a to-do list. Select ALL the chores that correctly use **do**.

Select all that apply.

- A) do the laundry
- B) do the bed
- C) do the ironing
- D) do the dishes
- E) do dinner

24. Choose the correct verb for each gap to complete what Jamie says about his morning routine in the kitchen.

Every morning, I _____ the dishes from last night, then I _____ breakfast for the whole family.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- A) make
- B) do
- C) set

Blank 2

- A) do
- B) make
- C) clear

25. Dinner is over and it's time to pay! Select ALL the natural English collocations related to finishing a meal at a restaurant.

Select all that apply.

- A) ask for the bill
- B) demand the bill
- C) split the bill
- D) pick up the bill
- E) catch the bill