

Causative Verbs

Point 1: The verbs **make**, **let**, and **help** can be causative verbs.

She **let** me leave the office early.
My mom **made** me take out the trash.
My sisters often **helps** me do my taxes.

Point 2: Let

He **let** me **use** his car.
They **let** us **stay** in their house.
The waiter **let** us **change** tables.
The teacher **didn't let** us **leave** early.

Point 3: Make

He **made** me **carry** his bags.
My mom **made** me **finish** my homework.
I **will make** you **pay** for this! (I will get revenge!)
We **didn't make** him **obey** the rules.

Point 4: Help

He **helped** me **move** into my house.
I'm **helping** her **write** her essay.
I **can help** you **do** that.
She **didn't help** me **do** anything.

Causative Verbs

Read and listen to four conversations using causative verbs.

Conversation 1 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Can you **help me do** this?
Woman: Sure, what are you trying to do?
Man: I'm trying to put up this tent.
Woman: Oh, it's easy. **Let me show** you what to do.
Man: Wow! That was so easy for you.
Woman: Yeah, I was in the army. We do this all the time.

Conversation 2 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Why are you home so late?
Woman: My boss **made me stay** late today.
Man: Why did she do that?
Woman: I had to **help her write** a letter in French.
Man: Huh! That was nice of you.
Woman: Well, she **made me do** it. She's the boss.

Conversation 3 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Did you get a new car?
Woman: No, my friend is **letting me use** his.
Man: What happened to your car?
Woman: It is getting repairs.
Man: Lucky you! This is a nice car.
Woman: Well, he **made me promise** I'd be careful with it.

Conversation 4 | [Free PDF Worksheet](#)

Man: Your mom is so nice!
Woman: Yeah, she is now, but she was really strict when I was younger.
Man: Really? How so?
Woman: Well, for one, she never **let me watch** TV or eat sugar.
Man: Wow! That is strict!
Woman: And she **made me study** at least four hours a day, even if I did not have homework.
Man: Wow! That sounds like tough love.

Quiz

Answer these questions about the interview.

1) What does she help him do?

- a) put up a tent
- b) take down a tent

2) Why did she stay late?

- a) Her boss made her
- b) She was busy

3) What did she promise her friend?

- a) She would fill the tank
- b) She would be careful**

4) What did her mom make her do?

- a) Lots of chores
- b) Lots of homework**

Gap Fill: Complete the conversation with the correct word!

Question 1 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- **army**
- **help**
- **put**

- **trying**
- **easy**
- **time**

- **Sure**
- **what**
- **that**

Man: Can you ___ me do this?

Woman: ___, what are you ___ to do?

Man: I'm trying to ___ up this tent.

Woman: Oh, it's ___. Let me show you ___ to do.

Man: Wow, ___ was so easy for you.

Woman: Yeah, I was in the ___. We do this all the ___.

Question 2 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- **that**
- **boss**
- **nice**

- **help**
- **French**
- **late**

- **stay**
- **made**

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Woman: My boss made me ___ late today.

Man: Why did she do ___?

Woman: I had to ___ her write a letter in ___.

Man: That was ___ of you.

Woman: Well, she ___ me do it. She's the ___.

Question 3 of 4

Drag the boxes onto the matching gaps.

- made
- Lucky
- letting

- careful
- nice
- repairs

- new
- happened

Conversation 3 -

Man: Did you get a ___ car?

Woman: No, my friend is ___ me use his.

Man: What ___ to your car?

Woman: It is getting ___.

Man: ___ you. This is a ___ car.

Woman: Well, he ___ me promise I'd be ___ with it.

Question 4 of 4

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- study
- tough
- sugar

- never
- so
- younger

- strict
- homework

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Woman: Yeah, she is now, but she was really strict when I was ___.

Man: Really! How so?

Woman: Well, for one, she ___ let me watch TV or eat ___.

Man: Wow, that is ___!

Woman: And she made me ___ at least four hours a day, even if I did not have ___.

Man: Wow, that sounds like ___ love.

Corporate Vocabulary - Telephone

To hang up

End call

“If you think that call is a scam, hang up immediately.”

"Do not engage with suspicious callers; the safest action is to hang up."

To run out of battery

To use all the phone battery.

“The call was so long that I run out of battery.”

“The call lasted so long that my phone run out of battery.”

To charge

To add power to the phone battery.

“After that call I had to charge my phone battery.”

“After that extensive call I realized that I needed to charge my phone again.”

To speak louder/slower

To adjust the speech tone and speed.

“Can you please speak louder. There is a lot of noise in the background.”

“Could you speak slower please. I don’t understand English very well.”