

COMMON VERB-NOUN COLLOCATIONS

What is a 'verb-noun collocation'? A 'verb-noun collocation' is when we use specific verbs with specific nouns.

For example:

/ **do homework** all the time. - **CORRECT**

/ **make homework** all the time. - **INCORRECT**

Sometimes we can use multiple verbs with the same noun.

For example:

I like to **drink coffee** in the morning.

I am **having coffee** right now.

I **made coffee** for everyone.

Here is a list of some common verb-noun collocations.

(There might be more collocations with these nouns.)

<p>MAKE</p> <p>money / a mistake / plans / progress / a decision / a promise / lunch / friends / a phone call / an offer / a speech / a fortune</p>	<p>DO</p> <p>exercise / homework / homework / business / an exam / some shopping / sports / damage / gymnastics / your best / a favour / the dishes</p>
<p>HAVE</p> <p>lunch / a party / a shower / an argument / a haircut / a swim / a drink / a conversation / a rest / a look / a chance / a holiday / fun</p>	<p>TAKE</p> <p>a seat / a break / a walk / a risk / a photo / your time / action / a taxi / a bus / a flight / a test / a trip / a decision / a message</p>

**Complete the questions with the correct verb in the correct form.
There might be more than one option.**

1. How often do you _____ a shower?
2. Have you _____ any plans for next summer?
3. What was the last decision you _____ ?
4. Who _____ most of the housework in your family?
5. Name a person who has _____ lots of money?
6. Which countries does your company _____ business with?
7. When was the last time you _____ an argument with a friend or colleague?
8. Have you _____ any promises this year.
9. Do you like _____ risks?
10. Which sports do you _____ ?
11. How often do you _____ a holiday?
12. Do you get nervous when you _____ public speeches?
13. How long do you _____ a break in the afternoon?
14. How often do you _____ the train?
15. How many calls have you _____ today?
16. How often do you _____ exercise?
17. How often do you _____ a haircut?
18. Do you like _____ parties at your house?
19. What do you like _____ photos of?
20. Did the pandemic _____ damage to your company?

Check your answers by looking at the collocations table on page one.