

In this unit, we will look at some other patterns using the verb *get*. There are four meanings of *get*. The first meaning we are already familiar with.

Meaning 1: to make or tell someone to do something

Meaning 2: to have the opportunity or chance to do something.



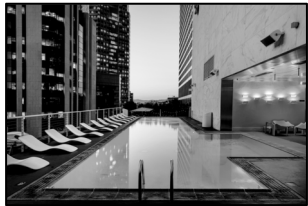

Meaning 3: to become something

Meaning 4: to receive or possess something

Exercise One:

What is the meaning of *get* in each of these sentences?

Put the correct number in each box. The first one has been done for you.

She usually gets her sister to buy lunch.  https://www.pexels.com/photo/two-women-holding-long-stem-wine-glasses-with-red-liquid-821054/	1	I got a bike for my birthday.  https://www.pexels.com/photo/boy-s-blue-crew-neck-shirt-1118417/	
He got to stay in a fancy hotel.  https://www.pexels.com/photo/architecture-blue-water-buildings-business-261102/		He gets tired after he finishes work.  https://www.pexels.com/photo/adult-bench-business-man-garden-272064/	

Exercise Two:

Look at these patterns and decide which pattern reflects which meaning.

Pattern 3.1	pronoun/ noun group	verb	noun group
Meaning	we	got	apples and bananas for a snack
4	I	got	a bike for my birthday

Pattern 2.1	pronoun/ noun group	verb	pronoun	to+verb	noun group
Meaning	her teacher	got	her	to make	a presentation

Exercise Two *continued*:

Pattern 3.1	pronoun/ noun group	verb	adjective group
Meaning	we	got	sick after my birthday
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Pattern 3.2	pronoun/ noun group	verb	to + verb	noun group
Meaning	we	got	to see	Bob before Christmas
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Complete each table by writing in parts of another sentence from exercise one.
We have done one for you as an example (pattern 3.1).

Exercise 3:

Match the first half of the sentences with the second half. Add **to** if necessary. The first two have been done for you.

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| 1. He went to university to get.... | a. concentrate in class. |
| 2. I'd like to get my housemate .to... | b. a new job. |
| 3. My uncle has a bad temper and gets | c. a degree in economics. |
| 4. When my children go to bed, I finally get | d. angry easily. |
| 5. It's difficult to get students | e. clean the bathroom more. |
| 6. Living at home means she gets | f. ready for the flight! |
| 7. My holiday starts this Friday! I need to get | g. save money on rent. |
| 8. My brother moved to London to get | h. watch my favourite TV show. |

Exercise 4:

Create sentences using the following pictures.

