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Expressions with DO & MAKE

The English verbs **do** and **make** are frequently confused, so pay particular attention to the expressions below. It is best to learn the expressions by heart. Some guidelines do exist to help you determine which word to use when, but in general you will not have time to think through the rules before choosing a word. The best approach is to practise, and then practise some more!

To Do	To Do	To Make	To Make
to do a favour	to do your hair	to make a booking	to make an exception
to do a project	to do your nails	to make a bundle	to make an excuse
to do a test	to do your job	to make a call	to make an offer
to do an assignment	to do your makeup	to make a cake	to make arrangements
to do an exam	to do 50 miles per hour	to make a choice	to make believe
to do badly		to make a comment	to make friends
to do business		to make a complaint	to make fun
to do damage		to make a compromise	to make changes
to do exercise		to make a deal	to make corrections
to do good		to make a decision	to make do
to do harm		to make a difference	to make love
to do homework		to make a fire	to make money
to do housework		to make a fool of yourself	to make noise
to do nothing		to make a fortune	to make peace
to do research		to make a fuss	to make plans
to do something		to make a habit	to make a profit
to do some letter-writing		to make a move	to make progress
to do some reading		to make a phone call	to make sense
to do some studying		to make a point	to make someone angry
to do some writing		to make a presentation	to make someone happy
to do the accounts		to make a profit	To make someone sad
to do the cleaning		to make a promise	to make someone's day
to do the dishes		to make a remark	to make sure
to do the ironing		to make a reservation	to make time
to do the laundry		to make a sales call	to make trouble
to do the math		to make a sound	to make dinner
to do the maximum		to make a speech	to make lunch
to do the minimum		to make a suggestion	to make breakfast
to do the paperwork		to make a threat	to make a snack
to do the shopping		to make a visit	to make tea / coffee
to do the vacuuming		to make amends	to make a mess
to do time		to make an appearance	to make a mistake
to do work		to make an appointment	to make the bed
to do your best		to make an attempt	to make time
to do your duty		to make an enquiry	to make war

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