

# GRAMMAR REVISION

## 1. Questions

*Ask questions about the underlined phrase of the sentence.*

Studies show that a good diet helps in reducing the risk of these diseases.

The study showed that a good diet helps in reducing the risk of these diseases.

A Norwegian study showed that a good diet helps in reducing the risk of these diseases.

Teenagers need slightly more carbohydrate than adults.

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Lifestyle changes may cause weight gain.

Poor nutrition can prolong recovery from illnesses.

Fibre is found in cereal foods.

## 2. Present simple or continuous.

*Is the underlined phrase correct?*

1. I don't understand what you are meaning.
2. Can you call later, please? Margaret is having a bath.
3. This room is smelling. Let's open the window.
4. I 'm feeling hungry. Is there anything to eat?
5. What are you thinking about, James?
6. Look! That man over there tries to open the door of your car!
7. Where are you coming from? Are you American?

## 3. Past simple and past continuous

*Choose the correct form of the verbs.*

1. I met / was meeting a friend while I did / was doing the shopping.
2. I paid / was paying for my things when I heard / was hearing someone call my name.
3. I turned / was turning round and saw / was seeing Paula.
4. She wore / was wearing a bright red coat.
5. We decided / were deciding to have a cup of coffee.
6. While we had / were having a drink, a waiter dropped / was dropping a pile of plates.
7. We all got / were getting a terrible shock.
8. While the waiter picked / was picking up the broken plates, he cut / was cutting his finger.

## 4. Past simple and present perfect

*Choose the correct form of the verb.*

1. Lisa didn't go / hasn't gone to work yesterday. She wasn't feeling well.
2. I'm looking for Paul. Did you see / Have you seen him?
3. I still don't know what to do. I didn't decide / haven't decided yet.
4. Oh! I burnt / have burnt myself.
5. Did you eat / have you eaten a lot of sweets when you were a child?
6. Lucy earned / has earned a lot of money a year ago.
7. Everything is going well. We didn't have/haven't had any problems so far.

## 5. Present perfect simple and continuous

*Choose the correct form of the verb.*

1. I'm bleeding! I've cut / been cutting my finger!
2. Look what Pat has given / has been giving to me for my birthday!
3. I have painted / have been painting the living room, but I haven't finished yet.
5. Sorry. I've broken / I've been breaking one of your glasses.
6. How long have you had / have you been having this book?
7. I have read/have been reading the book since morning. I have read/I have been reading 50 pages so far.

## 6. Mixed Tenses

Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense, present or past simple, present perfect simple or continuous.

My daughter.....(try) to find a job for months. She.....(leave) university in June, and since then she .....(have) one or two part-time jobs. She.....(work) in a cafe for the last two weeks. She.....(want) to work in publishing. She.....(write) hundreds of letters of application, and she.....(have) a few interviews, but no job offers yet.

## 7. Modals

Fill in the gaps with: *must, mustn't, needn't (don't have to)*

We've got plenty of time. We .....leave yet.

We .....walk all the way. We can take a taxi.

We haven't got time. We .....hurry.

I've got this letter to post. I .....forget to post it.

You .....wash the tomatoes, they've been washed.

This is a valuable book. You.....look after it and you .....lose it.

I can stay in bed tomorrow morning because I ..... go to work.

## 8. Infinitive or -ing

Choose the correct answer:

1. I hope *going / to go* to Brazil in July.
2. I promise *phoning / to phone* you every day.
3. Do you remember *switching/to switch* the lights off before you came out?
4. We agreed *working/to work* together.
5. The doctor says you must stop *smoking/to smoke*.
6. I can't keep *driving/to drive* – I'm too tired.
7. The radio isn't working. – Have you tried *changing/to change* the batteries?
8. I advise *buying/to buy* your tickets well in advance.
9. We can't go on *working/work* like this.