

LESSON 1 **GOAL** Offer a solution

CONVERSATION MODEL

A ▶▶▶▶ Read and listen to someone asking for a favor.

A: Do you think I could borrow your car this afternoon?
Mine's at the repair shop, and I need to pick up my mom at the airport.

B: Gee, I'm sorry, but I'm going to need it. I have a doctor's appointment.

A: No problem. I'll think of something.

B: Hey, I have an idea. Maybe you could get Jack to lend you his car.

A: Good idea. I'll go ask him.

▶▶▶▶ Ways to indicate acceptance
No problem.
I understand.
No worries.
Don't worry about it.

B ▶▶▶▶ **RHYTHM AND INTONATION** Listen again and repeat. Then practice the Conversation Model with a partner.

GRAMMAR The causative

Use the causative to express the idea that one person persuades or "causes" another person to do something. Use get + an object and an infinitive.

I'll get	object	infinitive
They got	the waiter	to correct the check.
Did she get	him	to pay for dinner.
	her friends	to give money to the school?

▶▶▶▶ You can also use have + an object and a base form as a causative. It expresses the idea that one person directs another to do something.

I'll have	object	base form
We had	my assistant	call your office.
	them	bring breakfast to our room.

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- Causative make to indicate obligation
- Let to indicate permission
- Causative have: common errors

A **GRAMMAR PRACTICE** Complete each sentence with the causative get.

- (give) Why don't you your assistant them a ride to the meeting?
- (buy) I might be able to my brother us tickets to the game.
- (pick up) Could you your friends some things for the party?
- (make) You should someone hotel reservations for us.
- (wash) Why don't you your kids the dishes after dinner?
- (lend) I'm sure you can the restaurant you a tie.

B Now rewrite each sentence from Exercise A₄ using have.

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C **GRAMMAR PRACTICE** Choose the correct forms in these sentences with the causatives get and have.

- I'll have someone at the front desk (recommend / to recommend) a restaurant.
- Will your friend get someone (go / to go) shopping for her?
- Did you have the salesclerk (find / to find) you a larger size?
- I'm going to get someone (clean / to clean) up this room.
- They should have the waiter (bring / to bring) them the check.

▶▶▶▶ LISTEN TO ACTIVATE GRAMMAR Listen to the conversations. Complete each statement, using the causative get.

- She's going to the assistant to the post office.
- They're going to Susan for the meal.
- At the party, they tried to him for everyone.
- He might try to his parents him some money.
- She's going to her husband the kids.
- They someone their picture.

▶▶▶▶ NOW YOU CAN Offer a solution

A **CONVERSATION ACTIVATOR** With a partner, change the Conversation Model. Change the request, the reason for turning it down, and the solution. Use the ideas from the box or your own ideas. Then change roles.

▶▶▶▶ Ideas for requests

- lend you their laptop / some money
- drive you to the airport
- pick up (some coffee / lunch) for you
- pick up someone from the airport / the mall

▶▶▶▶ Some reasons to turn down a request

- You're late for an appointment.
- You have a meeting in an hour.
- You're expecting an important phone call.
- Your own reason:

▶▶▶▶ DON'T STOP!
Make other suggestions.
What about?
Why don't you ask?

B **CHANGE PARTNERS** Make other requests. Offer other solutions.

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