

Basic English in Dialogues: 100 Common Questions and Answers
Used by Native English Speakers at Home

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Introduction

The tutorial “Basic English in Dialogues: 100 Common Questions and Answers Used by Native English Speakers at Home” contains 100 mini-dialogues based on everyday topics: “Getting Up in the Morning”, “Using the Bathroom”, “Morning Exercises”, “Clothes”, “Breakfast”, “Cooking Dinner”, “Setting the Table”, “Plans for the Afternoon”, and “In the Evening”.

The dialogues are numbered from 1 to 100. A list containing the new words along with their transcription follows each dialogue. If the meaning of any of the words is unclear, use an online dictionary to translate them into your language. To reinforce learning, revision tasks are offered after each topic.

Audio recordings of all the dialogues are available at

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Getting Up in the Morning



1.

up!”

“I am not sleeping.”

wake [weɪk]

up [ʌp]

wake up [weɪk ʌp]

I [aɪ]

am [æm]

not [nɒt]

sleep [sli:p]

sleeping ['sli:pɪŋ]

2.

time to get

“I am getting up already.”

it [ɪt]

is [ɪz]

it's = it is

time [taɪm]

to [tu:]

get [gɛt]

up [ʌp]

get up [gɛt] [ʌp]

getting up [ˈgɛtɪŋ] [ʌp]

already [ɔ:l'reɪdi]

3.

you have a good sleep?"

"Yes, I did."

did [dɪd]

you [ju:]

have [hæv]

a [eɪ]

good [gʊd]

yes [jɛs]

4.

dreams did you have?"

"I don't remember."

what [wʌt]

dream [dri:m]

dreams [dri:mz]

don't = do not

remember [rɪ'membə]

5.

are you

"I am going to the bathroom."

where [wɛə]

are [ɑ:r]

go [gəʊ]

going ['gəʊɪŋ]

to [tu]

the [ði]

bath [bæθ]

room [ru:m]

bathroom [ˈbæθru:m]

6.

on your

“No, I want to go barefoot.”

put [pʊt]

on [ɒn]

put on

your [jʊə]

slip [slɪp]

slipper [ˈslɪpə]

slippers [ˈslɪpəz]

no [noʊ]

want [wɑnt]

barefoot [ˈbɛərfoʊt]

7.

floor is cold!”

“No, the floor is warm.”

floor [flɔːr]

cold [kɔʊld]

warm [wɔːrm]

REVISION: 1–7

Translate into your language:

1

“Wake up!”

“I am not sleeping.”

2

“It’s time to get up!”

“I am getting up already.”

3

“Did you have a good sleep?”

“Yes, I did.”

4

“What dreams did you have?”

“I don't remember.”

5

“Where are you going?”

“I am going to the bathroom.”

6

“Put on your slippers!”

“No, I want to go barefoot.”

7

“The floor is cold!”

“No, the floor is warm.”

Using the Bathroom



8.

wash your face with soap!”

“I have washed it, mom.”

son [sʌn]

wash [wʌʃ]

your [jɔːr]

face [feɪs]

with [wɪð]

soap [soʊp]

washed [wɑʃt]

have washed

mom [mɑm]

9.

don't forget to brush your teeth!"

"I won't, mom."

daughter ['dɔ:tər]

don't = do not

forget [fər'get]

brush [brʌʃ]

tooth [tu:θ]

teeth [ti:θ]

won't = will not

will [wɪl]

10.

where is my

“I have thrown it out, sonny.”

my [maɪ]

brush [brʌʃ]

toothbrush [ˈtuːθbrʌʃ]

throw [θroʊ]

thrown [θroʊn]

out [aʊt]

throw out

11.

did you throw it out?”

“It was too old.”

why [waɪ]

throw [θroʊ]

was [wʌz]

too [tu:]

old [oʊld]

12.

am I going to brush my teeth with?"

"A new toothbrush."

going to

am going to

new [nju:]

13.

one is new?"

“Two of them, red and green.”

which [wɪtʃ]

one [wʌn]

two [tu:]

of [ʌv]

them [ðem]

red [rɛd]

and [ænd]

green [ɡri:n]

14.

is the yellow one?”

“Your dad's.”

whose [hu:z]

yellow [ˈjɛləʊ]

dad [dæd]

15.

I take the red one?"

"Sure."

may [meɪ]

take [teɪk]

sure [ʃʊr]

16.

we have run out of toothpaste!"

"Take another tube, honey."

we [wi:]

run [rʌn]

run out of

paste [peɪst]

toothpaste ['tu:θpeɪst]

another [ə'nʌðər]

tube [tʌb]

honey ['hʌni]

17.

empty, too.”

“Try to squeeze out a little.”

empty ['empti]

too [tu:]

try [traɪ]

squeeze [skwi:z]

little ['lɪtəl]

a little

18.

it work?"

"Yes, mother!"

work [wɜ:rk]

mother ['mʌðər]

REVISION: 8–18

Translate into your language:

8

"Son, wash your face with soap!"

"I have washed it, mom."

9

"Daughter, don't forget to brush your teeth!"

"I won't, mom."

10

“Mom, where is my toothbrush?”

“I have thrown it out, sonny.”

11

“Why did you throw it out?”

“It was too old.”

12

“What am I going to brush my teeth with?”

“A new toothbrush.”

13

“Which one is new?”

“Two of them, red and green.”

14

“Whose is the yellow one?”

“Your dad's.”

15

“May I take the red one?”

“Sure.”

16

“Mom, we have run out of toothpaste!”

“Take another tube, honey.”

17

“It's empty, too.”

“Try to squeeze out a little.”

18

“Did it work?”

“Yes, mother!”

Morning Exercises



19.

the noise?

“I am doing exercises.”

what's = what is

noise [nɔɪz]

doing [ˈduɪŋ]

exercise [ˈɛksərsaɪz]

exercises

20.

is the floor

“I jumped once or twice.”

floor [flɔːr]

shake [ʃeɪk]

shaking [ˈʃeɪkɪŋ]

jump [dʒʌmp]

jumped [dʒʌmpt]

once [wʌns]

or [ɔːr]

twice [twɑɪs]

21.

are you out of breath?”

“I ran in place for ten minutes.”

breath [brɛθ]

out of breath

run [rʌn]

ran [ræn]

in [ɪn]

place [pleɪs]

for [fɔːr]

ten [tɛn]

minute [ˈmɪnət]

22.

else did you

else [ɛls]

nothing [ˈnʌθɪŋ]

23.

are you doing now?"

"I am doing squats."

now [naʊ]

squat [skwʌt]

24.

you do a one leg squat?"

"Yes, I can."

can [kæn]

leg [lɛg]

25.

that easy?"

"No, it's difficult."

that [ðæt]

easy [ˈi:zi]

difficult [ˈdɪfəkəlt]

26.

many squats have you done?"

how [haʊ]

many [ˈmeni]

done [dʌn]

27.

are you doing now?"

"I am doing push-ups."

push-up [ˈpʊʃʌp]

28.

many push-ups can you do?”

29.

you, mom?”

none [nʌn]

30.

don't you start doing exercises, too?”

“I will start on Monday.”

start [stɑ:rt]

Monday ['mʌndeɪ]

REVISION: 19–30

Translate into your language:

“What's the noise?”

“I am doing exercises.”

20

“Why is the floor shaking?”

“I jumped once or twice.”

21

“Why are you out of breath?”

“I ran in place for ten minutes.”

22

“What else did you do?”

“Nothing.”

23

“What are you doing now?”

“I am doing squats.”

24

“Can you do a one leg squat?”

“Yes, I can.”

25

“Is that easy?”

“No, it's difficult.”

26

“How many squats have you done?”

“Twenty.”

27

“What are you doing now?”

“I am doing push-ups.”

28

“How many push-ups can you do?”

“Thirty.”

29

“And you, mom?”

“None.”

30

“Why don't you start doing exercises, too?”

“I will start on Monday.”

Clothes



31.

are you

“Yes, I am.”

dress [drɛs]

dressed [drɛst]

32.

have you put

“A white shirt and black trousers.”

put on

white [waɪt]

shirt [ʃɜ:rt]

black [blæk]

trousers [ˈtraʊzəz]

33.

you put on the new socks? ”

“Yes, I have. ”

sock [sɒk]

socks [sɒks]

34.

here! ”

“Here I am. ”

come [kʌm]

here [hiə]

35.

shirt is ”

“No, it is clean! ”

dirty [ˈdɜːrti]

clean [kliːn]

36.

there is a

“I ”

look [lʊk]

see [siː]

37.

the shirt! ”

“Okay. ”

change [tʃeɪndʒ]

38.

are you ”

“Yes, I am, brother! ”

sister [ˈsɪstər]

brother [ˈbrʌðər]

39.

dress is ”

“Just a little. ”

wrinkle [ˈrɪŋkəl]

wrinkled [ˈrɪŋkəld]

just [dʒʌst]

40.

the dress, ”

“I don’t want to, mom. ”

iron [ˈaɪərn]

41.

must iron your clothes. ”

“All right, I’ll do ”

must [mʌst]

clothes [kloʊðz]

all [ɔ:l]

right [raɪt]

all right

I’ll = I will

REVISION: 31-41

Translate into your language:

31

“Son, are you dressed?”

“Yes, I am.”

32

“What have you put on?”

“A white shirt and black trousers.”

33

“Have you put on the new socks?”

“Yes, I have.”

34

“Come here!”

“Here I am.”

35

“Your shirt is dirty.”

“No, it is clean!”

36

“Look, there is a stain.”

“I see.”

37

“Change the shirt!”

“Okay.”

38

“Sister, are you dressed?”

“Yes, I am, brother!”

39

“Your dress is wrinkled.”

“Just a little.”

40

“Iron the dress, daughter!”

“I don’t want to, mom.”

41

“You must iron your clothes.”

“All right, I’ll do it.”

Breakfast



42.

come to ”

“What did you say, mom? ”

eat [i:t]

say [seɪ]

43.

“I say, breakfast is ready. ”

“We're coming! ”

breakfast [ˈbreɪkfəst]

ready ['redɪ]

44.

do we have for breakfast? ”

“Oatmeal and fish. ”

for [fɔːr]

oatmeal ['oʊtmil]

fish [fɪʃ]

45.

fish is ”

“No, it's tasteful. ”

disgusting [dɪs'gʌstɪŋ]

tasteful ['teɪstfəl]

46.

“I don't want to eat the oatmeal. ”

“Try it! ”

try [traɪ]

47.

we have chips and sausage? ”

“No, they are not healthy. ”

chip [tʃɪp]

chips [tʃɪps]

sausage [ˈsɔ:sədʒ]

healthy [ˈhelθɪ]

48.

only have bread and water! ”

“Don't get on my nerves. Eat this! ”

nerve [nɜ:rv]

get on someone's nerves

this [ðɪs]

49.

you tried the fish? ”

“Yes, I have. ”

try [traɪ]

tried [traɪd]

50.

is it? ”

“Not bad. ”

bad [bæd]

51.

you want some more oatmeal? ”

“No, I am full. ”

some [sʌm]

more [mɔːr]

full [fʊl]

52.

will you tea or coffee? ”

“I'll drink tea. ”

drink [drɪŋk]

tea [ti:]

coffee [ˈkɒfi]

I'll = I will

53.

tea or green tea? ”

“Black. ”

54.

we run out of sugar? ”

“No, take a new pack from the cupboard. ”

sugar [ˈʃʊgə]r]

pack [pæk]

from [frʌm]

cup [kʌp]

board [bɔːrd]

cupboard [ˈkʌbəd]

55.

tea is not Why is the tea not sweat? ”

“You forgot to stir the sugar. ”

forget [fərˈɡet]

forgot [fər'gɑt]

stir [stɜ:r]

56.

you for mom! ”

“My pleasure. ”

thank [θæŋk]

pleasure ['pleʒər]

REVISION: 42–56

Translate into your language:

42

“Children, come to eat.”

“What did you say, mom?”

43

“I say, breakfast is ready.”

“We're coming!”

44

“What do we have for breakfast?”

“Oatmeal and fish.”

45

“The fish is disgusting!”

“No, it's tasteful.”

46

“I don't want to eat the oatmeal.”

“Try it!”

47

“Do we have chips and sausage?”

“No, they are not healthy.”

48

“I'll only have bread and water!”

“Don't get on my nerves. Eat this!”

49

“Have you tried the fish?”

“Yes, I have.”

50

“How is it?”

“Not bad.”

51

“Do you want some more oatmeal?”

“No, I am full.”

52

“What will you drink, tea or coffee?”

“I'll drink tea.”

53

“Black tea or green tea?”

“Black.”

54

“Have we run out of sugar?”

“No, take a new pack from the cupboard.”

55

“The tea is not sweet. Why is the tea not sweet?”

“You forgot to stir the sugar.”

56

“Thank you for breakfast, mom!”

“My pleasure.”

Cooking Dinner



57.

will you help me cook dinner? ”

“Of course I will. ”

help [hɛlp]

cook [kʊk]

dinner [ˈdɪnər]

course [kɔ:rs]

of course

58.

shall we start with? ”

“Give me the saucepan. ”

shall [ʃæl]

give [gɪv]

sauce [sɔ:s]

pan [pæn]

saucepan ['sɔ:spæn]

59.

you are. What else? ”

“Bring some potatoes from the cellar. ”

else [ɛls]

bring [brɪŋ]

potato [pə'tetɔʊ]

potatoes [pə'teɪtəʊz]

cellar ['sɛlə]

60.

many exactly? ”

“Five will be enough. ”

exact [ɪg'zækt]

exactly [ɪg'zæktli]

five [faɪv]

enough [ɪ'nʌf]

61.

brought the ”

“Good. Peel them. ”

I've = I have

bring [brɪŋ]

brought [brɔ:t]

peel [pi:l]

them [ðem]

62.

shall I peel them with? ”

“The knife with a black handle. ”

knife [naɪf]

blue [blu:]

handle [ˈhændəl]

63.

should I do with the peels? ”

“Throw them into the garbage can. ”

should [ʃʊd]

into [ˈɪntu]

garbage [ˈgɑːrbɪdʒ]

can [kæn]

garbage can

64.

peeled the What next? ”

“Put them in the sink and wash them. ”

next [nekst]

sink [sɪŋk]

65.

hot or cold ”

“It doesn't matter. ”

hot [hɒt]

cold [kəʊld]

doesn't = *does not*

matter ['mætər]

66.

What then? ”

“Light the stove. ”

then [ðen]

light [laɪt]

stove [stəʊv]

67.

are the ”

“Here they are. ”

match [mætʃ]

68.

lit it. Now ”

“Take that saucepan and fill it with water. ”

light [laɪt]

lit [lɪt]

sauce [sɔ:s]

fill [fɪl]

69.

I put the potatoes inside? ”

“Yes, and add a pinch of salt. ”

inside [ɪn'saɪd]

add [æd]

pinch [pɪntʃ]

salt [sɔlt]

70.

that enough? ”

“Quite enough. ”

quite [kwaɪt]

71.

should I do with the saucepan now? ”

“Put it on the fire. ”

fire [ˈfaɪə]

72.

all. Thanks for your help! ”

“You are welcome. ”

that's = that is

thanks [θæŋks]

welcome [ˈwelkəm]

REVISION: 57–72

Translate into your language:

57

“Daughter, will you help me cook dinner?”

“Of course I will.”

58

“What shall we start with?”

“Give me the saucepan.”

59

“Here you are. What else?”

“Bring some potatoes from the cellar.”

60

“How many exactly?”

“Five will be enough.”

61

“I've brought the potatoes.”

“Good. Peel them.”

62

“What shall I peel them with?”

“The knife with a black handle.”

63

“What should I do with the peels?”

“Throw them into the garbage can.”

64

“I've peeled the potatoes. What next?”

“Put them in the sink and wash them.”

65

“With hot or cold water?”

“It doesn't matter.”

66

“Done. What then?”

“Light the stove.”

67

“Where are the matches?”

“Here they are.”

68

“I've lit it. Now what?”

“Take that saucepan and fill it with water.”

69

“Shall I put the potatoes inside?”

“Yes, and add a pinch of salt.”

70

“Is that enough?”

“Quite enough.”

71

“What should I do with the saucepan now?”

“Put it on the fire.”

72

“That's all. Thanks for your help!”

“You are welcome.”

Setting the Table



73.

you know how to set the table? ”

“No, I don't. ”

know [noʊ]

set [set]

table ['teɪbəl]

74.

should I do? ”

“First put down a placemat. ”

first [fɜːrst]

down [daʊn]

place [pleɪs]

mat [mæt]

placemat ['pleɪsmæt]

75.

do I put it? ”

“On the table in front of your chair. ”

front [frʌnt]

in front of

chair [tʃeə]

76.

then? ”

“Place the napkin on the left side of the placemat. ”

place [pleɪs]

napkin [ˈnæpkɪn]

left [lɛft]

side [saɪd]

on the left side of

77.

next? ”

“Place the plate in the center of the placemat. ”

center [ˈsɛntər]

in the center of

78.

place the fork on the napkin. ”

“Here is the fork. ”

fork [fɔ:rk]

79.

the knife to the right of the plate. ”

“Here is the knife. ”

to the right of

80.

do I place the spoon? ”

“To the right of the knife. ”

spoon [spu:n]

to the right of

81.

do I put ”

“On a small plate. ”

small [smɔ:l]

82.

where do I put the small plate? ”

“In the top left corner of the placemat. ”

top [tɒp]

corner [ˈkɔ:rnə]

83.

do I put the glass for the juice? ”

“In the top right corner of the placemat. ”

glass [glæs]

juice [dʒus]

84.

you memorized everything? ”

“Yes, I have. ”

memory [ˈmɛməri]

memorize [ˈmɛməraɪz]

memorized [ˈmɛməraɪzd]

every [ˈɛvəri]

thing [θɪŋ]

everything [ˈɛvriθɪŋ]

REVISION: 73–84

Translate into your language:

73

“Do you know how to set the table?”

“No, I don't.”

74

“What should I do?”

“First put down a placemat.”

75

“Where do I put it?”

“On the table in front of your chair.”

76

“What then?”

“Place the napkin on the left side of the placemat.”

77

“What next?”

“Place the plate in the center of the placemat.”

78

“Then place the fork on the napkin.”

“Here is the fork.”

79

“Place the knife to the right of the plate.”

“Here is the knife.”

80

“Where do I place the spoon?”

“To the right of the knife.”

81

“Where do I put bread?”

“On a small plate.”

82

“And where do I put the small plate?”

“In the top left corner of the placemat.”

83

“Where do I put the glass for the juice?”

“In the top right corner of the placemat.”

84

“Have you memorized everything?”

“Yes, I have.”

Plans for the Afternoon



85.

are you going to do after dinner? ”

“First, I’ll have a rest. ”

after [ˈæftər]

dinner [ˈdɪnər]

rest [rest]

86.

then? ”

“I will do my homework. ”

homework [ˈhɒməwɜːrk]

87.

you have a workout today? ”

“No, it was yesterday. ”

workout [ˈwɜːrkɑʊt]

today [təˈdeɪ]

yesterday [ˈjestədeɪ]

88.

will the next one be? ”

“Tomorrow. ”

when [wen]

tomorrow [təˈmɒrɒ]

Translate into your language:

85

“What are you going to do after dinner?”

“First, I'll have a rest.”

86

“And then?”

“I will do my homework.”

87

“Do you have a workout today?”

“No, it was yesterday.”

88

“When will the next one be?”

“Tomorrow.”

In the Evening



89.

are you ”

“I am playing a computer game. ”

play [pleɪ]

playing ['pleɪɪŋ]

compute [kəm'pjut]

computer [kəm'pjutər]

game [geɪm]

90.

long have you been playing? ”

“For one hour. ”

long [lɔŋ]

been [bi:n]

for [fɔr]

hour [aʊər]

91.

you done your homework? ”

“Yes, I have. ”

92.

did you do ”

“An hour ago. ”

ago [ə'gəʊ]

93.

room needs cleaning up. ”

“I will clean it up in half an hour. ”

room [rum]

need [ni:d]

cleaning [ˈkli:nɪŋ]

cleaning up

half [hæf]

in half an hour

94.

the doorbell ”

“Yes, it must be your father. ”

door [dɔ:r]

bell [bɛl]

doorbell [ˈdɔːrbɛl]

ring [rɪŋ]

ringing [ˈrɪŋɪŋ]

father [ˈfɑːðər]

95.

open the

“I am busy. Let my sister open it.”

open [ˈoʊpən]

door [dɔːr]

busy [ˈbɪzi]

let [lɛt]

96.

dad! Have you bought anything for me?”

“No, daughter. I will buy something for you tomorrow!”

hi [haɪ]

bought [ba:t]

anything [ˈɛniθɪŋ]

for me

97.

let us play a

“Let me close the door first.”

OK = okay

us [ʌs]

close [kloʊs]

98.

game do you want to play?”

“Let’s play hide-and-peek!”

let’s = let us

hide [haɪd]

seek [si:k]

hide-and-peek [haɪdn’si:k]

99.

in your bed. It’s bedtime!”

“I’m not sleepy yet.”

bedtime [ˈbedtaɪm]

sleepy [ˈsli:pi]

to be sleepy

yet [jɛt]

100.

I’m tired and want to sleep.”

“All right, dad, go to bed. Good night!”

but [bʌt]

tired [ˈtaɪərd]

go to bed

night [naɪt]

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Translate into your language:

89

“What are you doing?”

“I am playing a computer game.”

90

“How long have you been playing?”

“For one hour.”

91

“Have you done your homework?”

“Yes, I have.”

92

“When did you do it?”

“An hour ago.”

93

“Your room needs cleaning up.”

“I will clean it up in half an hour.”

94

“Is the doorbell ringing?”

“Yes, it must be your father.”

95.

“Son, open the door.”

“I am busy. Let my sister open it.”

96.

“Hi, dad! Have you bought anything for me?”

“No, daughter. I will buy something for you tomorrow!”

97.

“OK, let us play a game!”

“Let me close the door first.”

98.

“What game do you want to play?”

“Let’s play hide-and-seek!”

99.

“Hide in your bed. It’s bedtime!”

“I’m not sleepy yet.”

100.

“But I’m tired and want to sleep.”

“All right, dad, go to bed. Good night!”

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