

to have something done - CLARIFICATION

A This is used when you want something done but can't or don't want to do it yourself, so you PAY someone else to do it.

The best examples are:

- *I have my hair done by the salon "David" in the Shopping Centre.*
- *I have my car serviced once every three months.*
- *We have our accounts done by an accountant.*

It's a combination of:

- 1) *to have or to get*
- 2) *an object*
- 3) *a past participle*

B Of course, you can use the structure in MANY tenses and with various expressions. Here is a list of examples.

PRESENT	Your house is a bit cold! <i>Yes, we're having central heating installed next month.</i>
	Where do you get your hair cut? <i>I have it done at the salon near the station.</i>
FUTURE	Your hair is a bit long! <i>Yes, I'm going to have it cut soon.</i>
PAST	Your car is running well. <i>Yes. I've just had it serviced.</i>
	Where's your old dog? <i>We had him put down.</i>
SUGGESTIONS	My tooth is hurting. <i>I'd get it looked at if I were you.</i>
	My passport expires next month. <i>You'd better have it renewed.</i>
	My trousers are too long. <i>Why don't you get them taken up?</i>