

CÁC MẪU CÂU THÔNG DỤNG

1. **S + USED TO + INFINITIVE** = đã thường, đã từng

Eg: He used to visit me on Sundays last year.
When I were young, I used to swim in this river.

2. **S + BE / GET USED TO + V_ing / NOUN** = quen / trở nên quen với

Eg: My mother is used to getting up early in the morning.
You will get used to speaking English.
They are not used to hot weather.

3. **S + HAVE + OBJECT (person) + INFINITIVE + OBJECT (thing)** = nhờ, sai bảo

Eg: I had him repair your motobrbike yesterday
The manager always has his secretary type the letters.

Nếu phải thay động từ HAVE bằng GET, TELL, ASK, ORDER thì phải dùng TO-INFINITIVE theo sau.

Eg: I got him to repair your motobike yesterday.

4. **S + HAVE / GET + OBJECT (thing) + PAST PARTICIPLE (+ By + Agent)** = Nhờ, sai, bảo

Eg: I have my hair cut once a month.
She will have the letter translated into English.
He had his car repaired by the garage.

5. **IF + take (Somebody / Something) + Time + TO-INFINITIVE** = cần / mất (thời gian) để...

Eg: It takes two hours to do the tests.
It will take our plane 30 minutes to arrive in Ha Noi.
It took him several days to repair the car.

6. **S + V + TOO + Adj / Adv (+ FOR Somebody) + TO-INFINITIVE** = quá... không thể

Eg: He is too young to go to school.
He spoke too fast to understand.
The questions are too difficult for us to answer.
The box was too heavy for the child to carry.

Note: Nếu bỏ ngữ của động từ theo sau thuộc cùng 1 người hoặc vật với chủ ngữ của động từ đi trước thì người ta không nhắc lại nó.

Eg: The book is too expensive for me to buy. (không dùng IT sau BUY.)

7. **S + V + SO + Adj / Adv + THAT -Clause** = quá.....đến nỗi....

Eg: I am so busy that I have no time to visit you.
My father was so sick that he couldn't go to work.
He spoke so fast that I couldn't understand him.

8. **S + V + SUCH (a/an) + Adj + Noun + THAT-CLAUSE** = quá.....đến nỗi.....

Eg: It was such hot tea that I couldn't drink it.
She is such a kind girl that everybody loves her.
He asked me such difficult questions that I couldn't answer them.

9. **S + V + Adj / Adv + ENOUGH (+ FOR Somebody) + TO - INFINITIVE** = khá/đủ.....nên/ để...

Eg: She is sick enough to need a doctor.

The policeman ran quickly enough to catch the thief.
The questions were easy enough for them to answer.
He will speak English slowly enough for us to understand.

Note: Nếu bổ ngữ của động từ theo sau thuộc cùng một người hay vật với chủ ngữ của động từ đi trước thì ta không nhắc lại nó.

10.

BECAUSE + Clause (S +V)..... BECAUSE OF + Adj + Noun
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 = vì, bởi vì

Eg: He is absent because he is sick.

→ He is absent because of his sickness.

Because it rained heavily, he didn't go to work.

→ Because of the heavy rain, he didn't go to work

Note: Sau BECAUSE OF đôi khi có thể dùng 1 cụm từ bắt đầu bằng V-ing.

Eg: Because of being lazy, he was punished by the teacher.

(Because of his laziness, he was punished by the teacher.)

11.

THOUGH / ALTHOUGH + Clause (S + V...) DESPITE / IN SPITE OF + Adj + Noun
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 = Cho dù, mặc dù

Eg: Though it rained heavy, they went to the meeting.

→ Despite the heavy rain, they went to the meeting.

Although the weather was cold, he went out swimming.

→ In spite of the cold weather, he went out swimming.

12.

EITHER..... OR.....

 = hoặc... hoặc ... (một trong hai)

Eg: She is either a doctor or a nurse. Either you or I am wrong.

Note: Động từ dùng sau OR được chia với chủ ngữ đứng ngay trước nó.

13.

NEITHER ... NOR ...

 = Không ... không ... (cả hai đều không)

Eg: She's neither a singer nor an actress.

Neither you nor he was invited to the party.

Note: Động từ dùng sau NOR được chia với chủ ngữ đứng ngay trước nó.

14.

BOTH ... AND ...

 = vừa ...vừa..., ... cả ...lần ...

Eg: He is both a doctor and a professor.

Both he and his wife are teacher.

15.

NOT ONLY BUT ALSO..... NOT ONLY BUT AS WELL
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 = Không những mà còn

Eg: She is not only beautiful but also kind → She is not only beautiful but kind as well.

He not only visited me but he also gave me a present → He not only visited me but he gave me a present as well.

16.

NO SOONER (past perfect) + THAN (simple past) HARDLY (past perfect) + WHEN (simple past)

 = vừa mới thì.....

He had no sooner left the office than the phone rang.

I had hardly got out when it began to rain.

Note: NO SOONER và HARDLY thường được đặt ở đầu câu với sự đảo ngược của chủ ngữ và động từ theo sau.

Eg: No sooner had he left the office than the phone rang.

Hardly had I got out when it began to rain.

17.

S + V + TOO
SO + V + S

= cũng vậy, cũng thế

Note: Qui tắc trên được dùng sau một câu nói xác định.

Eg: He is intelligent. | His brother is too.
So is his brother

They like football. | I do too.
So do I.

18.

S + V (negative) + EITHER
NEITHER + V (affirmative) + S

= Cũng không

Note: Qui tắc trên được dùng sau một câu nói phủ định

Eg: I didn't go to the movies. | He didn't either.
Neither did he.

She can't speak Chinese. | Her friends can't either.
Neither can her friends.

19.

IT + BE + Adj (+ FOR somebody) + TO - INFINITIVE

= thật là...để...

Eg: It is difficult to speak English fluently.

It is not easy for you to look for a good job.

It was hard for me to find an banana when I was living in France.

20.

IT + IS + Time + SINCE (simple past)

= thời gian là ... từ khi

Eg: It is 2 years since my grandfather died.

It is over 6 months since they left for France.

21.

IT + BE + Adj + OF somebody + TO-INFINITIVE

= người nào đó thật là khi.....

Eg: It is kind of him to help us.

It was stupid of her not to follow the doctor's advice.

22.

IT + BE + NOT UNTIL.....THAT -Clause

= cho đến ... mới

Eg: It is not until 2002 that I will graduate from university.

It was not until my sister was 30 years old that she got married.

23.

S + DO/DOSE/DID + INFINITIVE

= thật sự, vô cùng (để nhấn mạnh vào động từ)

Eg: He does speak English fluently.

We do want to see you again.

I did see your sister at the theatre last Sunday.

EXERCISES

I. Rewrite these sentences, beginning with the given words.

1. He may be living in Paris. He may be living in London.
He is living either.....
2. I couldn't hear the speaker's voice because it was very noisy.
Because of.....
3. My sister got married 3 years ago.
It is.....
4. We had hardly talked about him when he arrived.
Hardly.....
5. Although Nam is poor, he studies very hard.
In spite of.....
6. My sister doesn't like him. I don't like him.
Neither.....
7. My parents will ask him to cut down that tall tree.
My parents will have.....
8. Tom is very poor. He can't buy a bicycle.
Tom is too.....
9. They spent three years building the bridge.
It took.....
10. Russian is too hard for us to learn.
Russian is so.....
11. To get a good job is not easy.
It.....
12. Mr Brown usually shouted at his wife and children.
Mr Brown used.....
13. The water was very cold. The children couldn't swim in it.
It was such.....
14. He is rather rich. He can buy a new house.
He is rich enough.....
15. She is very beautiful. Her sister is very beautiful.
Both she.....

II. Build a complete sentence with the given words.

1. house/ be/ expensive/ parents/ to buy
2. it/ take/ years/ build/ school
3. grandfather/ so weak/ not carry/ suitcase
4. Mr Brown/ not only/ engineer/ also/ artist
5. we/ have/ house/ paint/ every year
6. brother/ not silly/ as/ used to
7. you/ tall enough/ play/ basketball
8. though/ he/ 4 years/ play/ guitar/ well
9. Miss Alice/ neither/ teacher/ doctor
10. I/ not/ used/ sleeping late/ night