

Cambridge English

Advanced

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**Use of English – Part 4 : Key Word
Transformation**

70 Exercises



10 I am really bad at remembering people's names when I meet them.

MEMORY

I people's names when I meet them.

11 He lost his job because he was inefficient.

GROUND

He lost his job his inefficiency.

12 I'm sorry that I didn't help him.

REGRET

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13 I couldn't go away for the weekend because I didn't have enough money.

PREVENTED

I was for the weekend by lack of money.

14 Jane was advised to work harder by her Maths teacher

RECOMMENDED

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15 This was Peter's biggest challenge to date.

FACED

Peter challenge before.

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I really when I was at school!

17 I wish people wouldn't talk during the performance – it makes me really uptight.

NERVES

It really people talk during a performance.

18 He is so ambitious - he's determined that he'll be successful in the company.

MARK

He is determined in the company.

19 Can you suggest a way of turning dreams into reality for ambitious people?

TRUE

Can you suggest howfor ambitious people?

21 I don't have any free time, so I can't come to the theatre with you.

WOULD

If I come to the theatre with you.

22 This milk is bad - it smells terrible!

OFF

This milk..... it smells terrible!

23 What the archaeologists discovered when they opened the tomb was amazing.

MADE

The when they opened the tomb was amazing .

24 People are more interested in history than you might expect.

LESS

You interested in history.

25 For me, imagining what life must have been like then is just not possible .

QUITE

I find it what life must have been like then.

26 It's difficult for a poorly performing company to make a profit.

TURN

If a company is performing poorly, it's difficult one .

27 The failure of the company was incredibly disappointing.

BITTERLY

I the failure of the company.

28 The number of people travelling through the airport was highest in August.

REACHED

The number of people travelling through the airport in August.

29 There has been a huge increase in tourism this year.

GROWN

Tourism this year.

30 The number of visitors to the island has fallen dramatically.

STEEP

There the number of visitors to the island.

31 We have maintained the level of visitors to the museum this year.

STABLE

The number of visitors to the museum this year.

32 The shares index fell slightly before recovering to its previous level.

BRIEF

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33 Although many travel companies had financial difficulties last year, they seem to have recovered now.

TREND

Al though many travel companies had financial difficulties last year,
it seems as though now.

34 Some people have been saying what a good move emigrating would be,

ARGUED

Itemigrating would be a good move.

35 The size of the population is unlikely to change much in the near future.

STABLE

The size of the population.....in the near future.

36 "I think Joe should serious ly reconsider his plans": said the careers advisor,

RECOMMENDED

The careers advisor.....his plans.

37 It doesn't matter if you think you know the subject well, you must rev ise for the exam.

HOWEVER

You must revise for the exam,.....you know the subject.

38 It was only after telling everyone that it was his birthday that John got lots of cards.

HAVING

John only got lots of cards..... it was his birthday.

39 However hard she tries, she still manages to offend people.

MATTER

It she tries, she still manages to offend people.

40 Whatever film you want to see will be good for us.

MIND

We..... film you want.

41 Before he put forward the proposal, I'm sure he took the comments of local residents on board.

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Before he put forward the proposal, I'm sure he of local residents on board.

42 I expect I'll leave home before I'm twenty.

TIME

I expect I will I'm twenty.

43 I know that I'll find the right job soon.

MATTER

I know before I find the right job.

44 They confidently expect the broadcast to go ahead at 6 p.m.

SURE

They go ahead at 6pm.

45 I'm sure he'll get a promotion very soon.

LONG

I'm sure it he gets a promotion.

46 I have decided to make a definite plan for my future career.

AM

What is make a definite plan for my future career.

47 Staying another night would have meant paying more.

IF

I would have had to another night.

48 People will always want entertainment, providing that they have the time to enjoy it.

LONG

There will always be a need for entertainment, the time to enjoy it.

49 Scientists have made an unexpected discovery in the treatment of cancer.

BREAKTHROUGH

There in the treatment of cancer.

50 I thought very hard but couldn't remember the answer.

RACKED

I to remember the answer.

51 I made the decision to go to university after all.

DECIDED

What I to university after all.



63 My sister was totally shocked when she won the lottery.

CAME

Winning the lottery my sister.

64 Joe originally intended to drive but the bad weather caused him to change his mind.

WAS

Joe's drive but the bad weather caused him to change his mind.

65 It was heavy snow on the line that delayed the train.

HELD

The train would have arrived on time if it heavy snow on the line.

66 She realised she'd lost her keys the moment she arrived home.

SOONER

No ... she realised she'd lost her keys.

67 He clearly felt very strongly about the situation, which took me by surprise.

STRENGTH

It about the situation that took me by surprise.

68 Brian was interested in North American history in his school days.

INTEREST

Brian North American history in his school days.

69 When it comes to population, Beijing's is much bigger than Auckland's.

POPULATED

Beijing is than Auckland.

70 The manager should think about experience when hiring new staff.

CONSIDERATION

The manager should when hiring new staff.

Example

o It's true that the company might go into liquidation if it's not careful.

DANGER

It's true that the company might go into liquidation if it's not careful.

1 The moment I shouted he ran away

SOONER

No he ran away.

SOONER HAD I SHOUTED THAN

2 I'm sure that it was the sound of the rain that disturbed me.

MUST

It of the rain that disturbed me.

MUST HAVE BEEN THE SOUND

3 I managed to finish all the homework before the deadline'

SUCCEEDED

I the homework before the deadline'

SUCCEEDED IN FINISHING ALL

4 I took the only course open to me and changed my job.

DID

What I , which was the only course open to me.

DID WAS CHANGE MY JOB

5 They don't allow people who arrive late at the opera house in until the interval.

ARE

People who arrive late at the opera house until the interval.

ARE NOT ALLOWED IN

6 My application for the job was turned down because I didn't have the right qualifications.

GROUNDS

My application for the job was turned down I didn't have the right qualifications.

ON THE GROUNDS THAT

7 It's impossible that you saw John last night - he's in the USA!

HAVE

John's in the USA, so him last night.

YOU CAN'T HAVE SEEN

8 I am confident that he will be successful in his career.

CHANCES

I am confident in his career.

OF / ABOUT HIS CHANCES OF SUCCESS

9 If you feel stressed, breathing slowly should calm you down.

MAKE

Breathing slowly if you feel stressed.

SHOULD MAKE YOU FEEL CALMER

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TO MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE

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RATHER

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What **I AM GOING TO DO** is make a definite plan for my future career.

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I would have had to **PAY MORE IF I HAD STAYED** another night.

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I **RACKED MY BRAINS** to remember the answer.

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DECIDED

What I **DECIDED TO DO WAS GO** to university after all.

52 However hard I look, up to now I haven't been able to find a job.

ALTHOUGH

I haven't been able to find a job **ALTHOUGH I HAVE BEEN** ...looking really hard.



