

Borrow – Lend – Rent (1 Answers)

to borrow means to **get** something for a short time. *It's free/No charge!
(you borrow something **from** someone / borrow **someone's** something)

to lend means to **give** something for a short time. *It's free/No charge!
(you lend something **to** someone / lend **someone** something)

to rent means to **get or give** something for a short time. *Must pay money!

1. John asked if I would lend him my grill for his 4th of July BBQ.
2. John wants to borrow my grill for his 4th of July BBQ because renting one is too expensive.
3. If you borrow something from someone, you ought to return it ASAP.
4. Don't ever lend Adam any money. He'll never pay you back.
5. It's not fair! I have to rent a tuxedo for \$100 for our big school formal dance, but Jill gets to just borrow an evening gown from her sister for free! Plus, I have to pay for dinner too! Ugh!
6. Welcome to my pool party. If anyone forgot to bring a swimsuit, my wife or I can lend you one. We have plenty of suits here.
7. If you borrow my car, please fill it with gas when you're done.
8. I forgot to go to the ATM this morning. Could you lend me a couple of dollars so I can buy lunch?
9. With streaming services, I don't think anyone rents DVDs anymore.
10. Can we stop off at the library? I want to borrow some books.
11. Fred joined an Air B&B service and now rents his house to people on holidays. Then he just rents a cheap hotel room when they come.
12. Julie had an extra laptop, so she lent it to me until I got my own.
13. Mark is always lending things to people, which almost never get returned to him. Unfortunately, he can never remember who borrowed them, so that he can't ask for his stuff back.
14. I let Rich borrow my skateboard for 10 minutes and he broke it!
15. With our new system, people rent smartphones for 2 years at a low cost, and then exchange them for new ones that they again rent for 2 years at a low cost. It's much cheaper than buying a new smartphone.
16. Sweden has a great bicycle-sharing program. Anyone can borrow a bicycle from anywhere and use it for a while. Then they park it somewhere else and leave it for someone else to borrow. And it's all free! There's no need to rent one from a shop or ask a friend to lend you one.
17. Do you have a sleeping bag you can lend me for my camping trip?
I rented a tent and things from a shop, but forgot to get a sleeping bag.
18. Have you ever lent something to someone and never got it back?
19. Have you ever borrowed something and never gave it back?
20. Tom lent his girlfriend his credit card to buy one thing, but she bought a lot of stuff. He swears he will never let her borrow it again.