

Pattern 2

Noun/pronoun + active Verb -f to-Infinitive

a *appear / seem* + all Infinitive forms - по-видимому, по всей видимости, кажется. \.

e.g. *He seems / appears to have been learning English long.* - Кажется, он долго учит английский.
You don't seem / appear to be listening to me. - Кажется, ты меня не слушаешь.

b *turn out / prove* + to be - оказывается

e.g. *He turns out / proves to be a good friend.* - Оказывается, он хороший друг.
The task turned out / proved to be difficult. - Задача оказалась трудной.

c *happen* + all Infinitive forms - случайно, случилось так, что...

e.g. *Do you happen to have heard anything about the incident?* - Вы, случайно, не слышали что-нибудь об этом инциденте?

We happened to come to terms. - Мы все-таки пришли к согласию.

Exercise 73

Translate the sentences containing the verbs *seem / appear*.

1. The fact that English has become the most important language for the international community *seems* to be irreversible.
2. English *appears* to have accepted a great number of words from other languages.
3. Most men and boys *seem* to enjoy looking for danger.
4. The man's mind *appeared* to be working with extraordinary freedom.
5. He *doesn't seem* to have been affected by the event in any way.
6. He *appears* to have been learning English since childhood.
7. The language barrier *didn't appear* to prevent their communication.
8. You *don't seem* to be following me.

Exercise 74

Put the verbs in the brackets in the appropriate Infinitive form.

1. English patriotism appears (base) on a deep sense of security.
2. The English do not seem (keep) to any religious or social ideas.
3. The monarchy appeared (be) strong and (grow) stronger at home and abroad.
4. By 950 England seemed (become) rich and peaceful again after the troubles of the Viking invasion.
5. The Norman conquest seemed (draw) nearer.
6. James I appeared (prefer) (rule) without Parliament.
7. Charles's authority appeared (accept) more completely than the authority of an English king for centuries.
8. He seems (be able) (balance) his budgets and (make) the administration efficient.
9. The first signs of trouble between Crown and Parliament seemed (come) in 1601.
10. Despite the differences between Anglo-Saxons and Celts, the Celtic bishops seem (accept) readily in Anglo-Saxon areas.
11. Most of these bishops appear (come) from churches and monasteries along Europe's vital trade routes.
12. You only seem (read) the text, in fact you are dreaming.
13. He seems (contribute) most to the common cause.
14. The word appears (acquire) a new meaning in this context.
15. The context does not seem (help) you (understand) the word.

Exercise 75

Rephrase the sentences according to Pattern 2 (a). Follow the model.

Model: *It seems / appears that English will not stop spreading.*
Apparently / seemingly English will not stop spreading.
English doesn't seem / appear to stop spreading.

It appeared / seemed that there was no way out.
There was apparently / seemingly no way out.
There didn't appear / seem to be a way out.

- i. It seems they have been considering the matter for 3 hours.