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Abstract:

Learning how to use **gerunds** and **infinitives** is one of the most challenging aspects of learning English. This presentation has been created for helping you to use them correctly. You can practice on some exercise below and test what you already know.

Keywords:

Gerunds, infinitives, nouns, prepositions, reference list, subject, object.

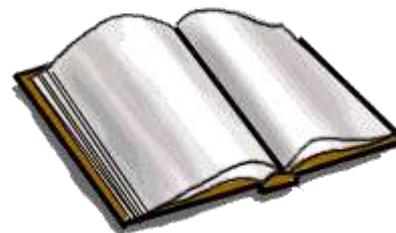


GERUNDS

A **gerund** is a verb in its “**ing**” form that functions as a noun and names an activity rather than a person or thing. You can use a gerund as the subject, the complement, or the object of a sentence (following the verb or after a preposition)



SUBJECT OF A SENTENCE	OBJECT OF A SENTENCE	COMPLEMENT
Reading ing helps you to learn English	I enjoy reading ing	Her favorite hobby is reading ing .



INFINITIVE

Infinitives are the “**to form**” of the verbs. The infinitive form of "learn" is "**to learn.**" You can also use an infinitive as the subject, the complement, or the object of a sentence.

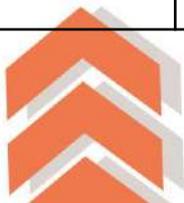


SUBJECT OF A SENTENCE	OBJECT OF A SENTENCE	COMPLEMENT
<p>To learn is important.</p>	<p>He wants to learn.</p>	<p>The most important thing is to learn</p>



There are certain words in English that are usually followed by an infinitive or gerund. If you are not sure whether to use the infinitive or gerund, check out our lists.

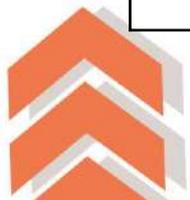
FOLLOWED BY GERUNDS	FOLLOWED BY GERUNDS	FOLLOWED BY INFINITIVES	FOLLOWED BY INFINITIVES	FOLLOWED BY GERUNDS AND INFINITIVES
admit advise allow anticipate appreciate avoid can't help complete consider defend delay deny despise discuss dislike don't mind encourage enjoy imagine involve keep stop	mention mind miss permit postpone practice recall recollect recommend report require resent resist risk suggest tolerate understand urge	agree appear arrange ask care choose claim decide demand deserve expect fail get happen hesitate hope intend manage	offer plan prepare pretend promise refuse seem swear tend threaten vow wait want wish would like yearn	begin can't bear can't stand cease continue hate like neglect prefer propose start love try dread finish forget need quit regret remember



FOLLOWING A PREPOSITION (GERUND ONLY)

Gerunds can follow a preposition or a verb with preposition, infinitives cannot

SOME PREPOSITIONS	SOME VERBS AND ADJECTIVES WITH PREPOSITION
Without For By About After From Against Of With Before	Afraid of Agree with Apologize for Ask about Ask for Bad at Believe in Carry on Concentrate on Depend on Feel like Give up Insist on Look forward to Talk about Think of Thanks for Worry about



PRACTICE

Match the sentence pairs

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| 1. I want | () | a. working in the garden |
| 2. Whenever I wash my car, it starts | () | b. to rain. |
| 3. I love | () | c. to graduate from university with a good degree. |
| 4. The baby hates | () | d. collecting ideas for his new novel. |
| 5. My roommate is thinking of | () | e. singing songs |
| 6. Would you like | () | f. to go to Sharon's house next Saturday? |
| 7. Most students hope | () | g. to watch the football game on TV tonight. |
| 8. Has the secretary finished | () | h. typing the report yet? |
| 9. Liz is famous for | () | i. walking on the beach in the afternoon. |
| 10. Antonio is good at | () | j. taking a bath and cries a lot |



CLASS ACTIVITY

Complete with the correct form of the verbs in brackets

1. Dan enjoys _____ science fiction. (read)
2. I miss _____ in the travel industry. Maybe I can get my old job back. (work)
3. He prefers _____ at the back of the movie theater (sit)
4. She promised _____ (stop) _____ (smoke)
5. He began _____ (talk)
6. They need _____ (study)
7. I like _____ to music (listen to)
8. If he keeps _____ to work late, he's going to get fired! (come)
9. I forgot _____ that question (answer)
10. I hate _____ the bathroom (clean)



COMPLETE THE TEXT WITH THE INFINITIVE OR GERUND FORM OF THE WORDS IN BRACKETS

A. Pamela Barnes is studying marketing at university. She enjoys ¹_____ (travel), and would probably like ²_____ (work) for a tour company. She's not very sure about what she wants ³_____ (do) after university. She's thinking of⁴_____ (have) a year off and ⁵_____ (travel) round the world with a friend of hers. They hope⁶_____ (find) work on the way.

B. Steve Brown likes ¹_____ (cook) and wants ²_____ (be) a chef. His favorite room in the house is the kitchen, where he spends most of the day. "I love ³_____ (cook), especially for lots of people. I have over a hundred cook books." Steve has decided ⁴_____ (work) in a restaurant in Paris, where he hopes ⁵_____ (learn) how to prepare sauces. One day he would like ⁶_____ (have) his own restaurant and continue ⁷_____ (make) delicious dishes for his guests there.



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