

Extra notes and homework – Week 5

Instruction: Make sure to copy the given notes and exercises in your respective copybooks.

Gerunds and Infinitives

It can be a little difficult to know when to use gerunds and infinitives.

1. We use **gerunds** (**verb + ing**):

- After certain verbs - I **enjoy singing**
- After prepositions - I drank a cup of coffee **before leaving**
- As the subject or object of a sentence - **Swimming** is good exercise

2. We use **'to' + infinitive** :

- After certain verbs - We **decided to leave**
- After many adjectives - It's **difficult to get** up early
- - I came to London to study English

3. We use the **bare infinitive** (the infinitive without 'to'):

- After modal verbs - I can **meet** you at six o'clock
- After 'let', 'make' and (sometimes) 'help' - The teacher let us **leave** early
- After some verbs of perception (see, watch, hear, notice, feel, sense) - I watched her **walk** away
- After expressions with 'why' - why **go** out the night before an exam?

Exercise 1

Put the verb into the correct form:

1. I don't fancy _____ (go) out tonight.
2. She avoided _____ (tell) him about her plans.
3. I would like _____ (come) to the party with you.
4. He enjoys _____ (have) a bath in the evening.
5. She kept _____ (talk) during the film.
6. I am learning _____ (speak) English.
7. Do you mind _____ (give) me a hand?
8. She helped me _____ (carry) my suitcases.

9. I've finished _____ (cook). Come and eat!

10. He decided _____ (study) Biology.

Exercise 2

Put the verb into the correct form:

1. I dislike _____ (wait).

2. He asked _____ (come) with us.

3. I promise _____ (help) you tomorrow.

4. We discussed _____ (go) to the cinema, but in the end we stayed at home.

5. She agreed _____ (bring) the pudding.

6. I don't recommend _____ (take) the bus, it takes forever!

7. We hope _____ (visit) Amsterdam next month.

8. She suggested _____ (go) to the museum.

9. They plan _____ (start) college in the autumn.

10. I don't want _____ (leave) yet.