

COMPACT A2

TO + V AND THE -ING FORM

We use to + infinitive after:		
some verbs	choose, help, hope, learn, need, offer, want, decide	<i>I hope to go to university next year.</i> <i>He wants to help me.</i> <i>I'm learning to speak Italian.</i>
adjectives	happy, difficult, etc.	<i>They were happy to see me.</i> <i>This exercise isn't difficult to do.</i> <i>She was surprised to hear I was ill.</i>
would like, etc.	would like / (don't) like / enjoy / love / hate	<i>We'd like to come and see you later.</i>

We use the -ing form after:		
some verbs	enjoy, finish, mind, miss, keep	<i>I enjoy watching all sports.</i> <i>We finished doing our homework.</i> <i>I miss seeing my friends.</i>
prepositions	for, of, about	<i>Thanks for helping me.</i>

1 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

- 1 My dad offered *to help / helping* me with my homework.
- 2 I enjoy *to play / playing* the piano.
- 3 Let's finish *to watch / watching* the film before we go to bed.
- 4 My brother and I enjoy *to play / playing* video games.
- 5 Thank you for *to help / helping* me.

2 Underline the mistakes and correct them.

- 1 I hope visiting Brazil one day.
- 2 My friends and I always enjoy to meet in town on Saturdays.
- 3 I'm sorry hearing you're ill.
- 4 All my friends enjoy watch football.
- 5 Do you mind to wait a little longer?