Gerunds & Infinitives

Use gerunds when you see these words: like, enjoy, dislike, can't stand

Example: I don't like spending money.

1. I like _____ (talk) to strangers.
2. Swimming is good _____ (exercise).
3. Do you usually enjoy _____ (eat) grilled food?
4. He said he dislikes _____ (fly).
5. When she is working, she can't stand _____ (answer) her phone.
6. Attending your birthday party means I have to _____ (buy) a gift.
7. Will the children enjoy _____ (go) to the zoo?

Use gerunds when you use a phrase with a preposition: interested in, good at, planning on, feel like, believe in, talk about, think about, worried about

Example: She doesn't feel like spending money.

1. Are you interested in _____ (read) this book with me?
2. She is an interesting person who likes to _____ (shop).
3. My son is always worried about _____ (ride) his bike alone.
4. The doctor doesn't believe in _____ (pray) for help.
5. If you talk about _____ (drink) a soda, he will want one.
6. On the weekend, we don't feel like _____ (do) much.
7. I asked her if she is good at _____ (play) football, but she didn't answer.
8. Are you planning on _____ (celebrate) Thanksgiving this year?
9. When the hot weather comes, we start thinking about _____ (take) a vacation.

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Use the **infinitive** form when you see words like: can/can't afford, offer, want, and would like.

Example: I can't afford to spend money on a house this year.

1. She said she can afford _____ (buy) six bottles of soap.
2. I don't know if I can afford _____ (lose) any more sleep.
3. My brother always offers _____ (keep) my secrets.
4. I dislike _____ (cook) on the weekend.
5. If you are free next weekend, do you want _____ (go) shopping?
6. We rented a car because I would like _____ (drive) to California.
7. Sam said he would think about _____ (share) his chocolate.

When you see these words: like, love, begin, try, and start, you can choose to use the gerund or the infinitive without changing the meaning.

Example: I like to spend money. I like spending money.

Write your own sentences:

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