

Grammar

Verbs followed by *to* or *-ing*

1 Choose the correct option in *italics*.

- 1 I missed *to be* / *being* with my brother when he went to live abroad.
- 2 The friends agreed *to meet* / *meeting* outside the station before they went to the party.
- 3 Brad hopes *to go* / *going* skiing next winter.
- 4 My mother learnt *to drive* / *driving* when she was 50!
- 5 Hannah doesn't feel like *to do* / *doing* much today.
- 6 Have you finished *to read* / *reading* that article yet?
- 7 I don't mind *to see* / *seeing* that film again. It was excellent.
- 8 You should practise *to speak* / *speaking* in front of a mirror before you give your presentation.
- 9 Would you like *to come* / *coming* to my house this afternoon?

2 Choose the correct sentence, a or b.

- 1 a Don't forget to wear your helmet when you're cycling!
b Don't forget wearing your helmet when you're cycling!
- 2 a I remember my grandma to teach me how to make biscuits.
b I remember my grandma teaching me how to make biscuits.
- 3 a Luckily, I remembered putting on sun cream when I went sunbathing yesterday.
b Luckily, I remembered to put on sun cream when I went sunbathing yesterday.
- 4 a I'll never forget going diving in the sea for the first time!
b I'll never forget to go diving in the sea for the first time!

3 Complete the conversation between three friends with the verb in brackets in the correct form, *to* + infinitive or *-ing*.

- Katie:** OK, everyone. We need to finalise the plans for going to the festival this weekend. What time shall we leave?
- Ben:** I suggest (1) (meet) at the car park at 10 o'clock.
- Katie:** That's perfect. We'll have time to go shopping to get some food for the journey. Do you fancy (2) (take) sandwiches? Or we could stop at a café on the way.
- Ben:** I can't afford (3) (eat) in a café. Let's get bread and cheese to make our own sandwiches.
- Katie:** OK. Did you remember (4) (ask) Lily if we can borrow her tent?
- Ben:** Oh no, I'll send her a text now. I'm sure she'll say yes.
- Katie:** Liam, you promised (5) (bring) the programme so we can plan which bands to see.
- Liam:** Oh no! ... , I forgot (6) (put) it in my bag.
- Katie:** Typical! So we need to make a list of things to take. Do you remember (7) (go) to a festival last year when it rained, and no one had a raincoat?
- Ben:** But we still enjoyed (8) (dance) in the rain, didn't we? Do we *have* to be so organised?