

Exercises

53.1 Complete the sentences for each situation. Use **-ing**.

- 1 What shall we do?  We could go to the zoo.
- 2 Do you want to play tennis?  No, not really.
- 3 Let's go for a walk.  Good idea!
- 4 You caused the accident.  No, I didn't.
- 5 Can you wait a few minutes?  Sure, no problem.
- 6 You didn't tell the truth.  That's right. I didn't.

She suggested going to the zoo

He didn't fancy

She suggested

He denied

They didn't mind

She admitted

53.2 Complete the sentences. Choose from these verbs (in the correct form):

~~answer~~ apply forget interrupt listen live
lose make pay read travel try

- 1 He tried to avoid answering my question.
- 2 I'm trying to concentrate. Please stop so much noise!
- 3 I enjoy to music.
- 4 I considered for the job, but in the end I decided against it.
- 5 Have you finished the newspaper yet?
- 6 We need to change our routine. We can't go on like this.
- 7 It's better to avoid during the rush hour.
- 8 My memory is getting worse. I keep things.
- 9 I've put off this bill so many times. I really must do it today.
- 10 I've given up to learn Japanese. I was making no progress.
- 11 If you gamble, you risk your money.
- 12 Would you mind not me all the time? Let me speak!

53.3 Put the words in the right order.

- 1 Did she really say that? I (that / remember / her / saying / don't).
I don't remember her saying that.
- 2 It's OK if you want to drive my car. I (driving / don't / it / you / mind).
I
- 3 What a stupid thing to do! Can (imagine / so stupid / being / you / anybody)?
Can
- 4 We can't control the weather. We (raining / stop / it / can't).
We
- 5 I'll be as quick as I can. I (waiting / want / keep / you / don't / to).
I

53.4 Use your own ideas to complete these sentences. Use **-ing**.

- 1 She's a very interesting person. I always enjoy talking to her
- 2 I'm not feeling very well. I don't fancy
- 3 I'm afraid there aren't any chairs. I hope you don't mind
- 4 It was a beautiful day, so I suggested
- 5 The movie was very funny. I couldn't stop
- 6 My car is unreliable. It keeps