7B Happiness is...

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are all in harmony.
Mahatma Gandhi, Indian political leader

G uses of the gerund (verb + *-ing*) **V** verbs + gerund **P** *-ing*, the letter *o*

1 VOCABULARY verbs + gerund

a Match sentences 1–5 to a–e.

1 He hates doing housework. c
2 He feels like going for a run. ___
3 He doesn't mind cooking all the meals. ___
4 He's stopped playing football. ___
5 He loves being with his friends. ___

a He doesn't do it any more.
b It isn't a problem for him to do it.
c He really doesn't like it.
d He wants to do it now.
e He really likes it.

b Circle the correct words.

1 Jenny never goes to parties because she *doesn't mind* / *doesn't enjoy* meeting new people.
2 Please don't *start* / *go on* eating until everyone has their food.
3 I can go with you, but I need to *stop* / *spend* an hour doing homework first.
4 My dad always gets to the airport very early because he *hates* / *loves* arriving late.
5 I really *start* / *love* taking photos. It's probably my favourite hobby.
6 My brother doesn't do much sport, but he *spends* / *likes* watching it on TV.
7 Let's hire a car when we get there. I *don't mind* / *don't like* driving.
8 I'm going to *go on* / *stop* studying English next year. I'm really enjoying the classes.
9 I don't *like* / *feel like* going out tonight. I'm too tired.
10 **A** Why did you *stop* / *start* going to the gym?
B It was too boring!

2 GRAMMAR uses of the gerund (verb + *-ing*)

a Complete the sentences with the *-ing* form of the verb in brackets.

1 I hate *being* (be) late for meetings. I think it's really rude.
2 We stopped _____ (study) German because we didn't like the classes.
3 James is celebrating because he's finished _____ (write) his book.
4 I'm bored. I feel like _____ (go) for a walk.
5 I don't mind _____ (get) up early in the morning.
6 Kate really enjoys _____ (listen) to music while she's running.

b Match sentences 1–6 to a–f.

1 Do you ever think about c
2 Read the instructions before ___
3 He started his speech by ___
4 I'm not very good at ___
5 Miriam left the party without ___
6 I'm really looking forward to ___

a using the machine for the first time.
b seeing you tonight.
c stopping work and retiring?
d thanking everybody for coming.
e saying goodbye to me.
f parking my dad's car. It's very big.

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c Complete the text with the *-ing* form of the verbs from the list.

drive feel go have imagine leave listen not get up
not talk read send stay take turn off walk work write

What makes you feel good?

We asked our readers, and here's what they said.

- [1] Writing and then [2] sending a funny email or message to my friends. And of course, [3] _____ their faces when they read it.
- I really like [4] _____ my car at night when there's no traffic, [5] _____ to my favourite music. I feel completely free.
- [6] _____ in bed on Sunday morning and [7] _____ the newspaper. [8] _____ until about 12 and then [9] _____ my dog for a long walk.
- I enjoy [10] _____ to the gym and really [11] _____ hard, then [12] _____ a long hot shower followed by a nice cold drink. There's nothing better.
- I love [13] _____ alone in the mountains, [14] _____ the wind in my hair and [15] _____ to anyone.
- [16] _____ my computer at the end of the day and [17] _____ work! It's the best moment of the day. I love it!

d How do you feel about the following activities? Circle the best answer for you, a, b, or c.

1 Going to the gym
a b c

2 Chatting to my friends on social media
a b c

3 Being alone
a b c

4 Walking on the beach
a b c

5 Going shopping for clothes
a b c

6 Getting up late
a b c

e Use your answers in **d** to write sentences. Say what you love, don't mind, or hate doing.

1 I _____ going to the gym.
2 I _____ chatting to my friends on social media.
3 I _____.
4 _____.
5 _____.
6 _____.

3 PRONUNCIATION *-ing*, the letter *o*

a 7.2 Listen and complete the sentences.

1 There's nothing _____ to eat.
2 This film is really _____.
3 I hate _____.
4 We're _____ this afternoon.
5 What are you _____?

b 7.2 Listen again and repeat the sentences.

c 7.3 Listen to four sentences. Write the number of the sentence next to the correct picture.

d 7.3 Listen again and repeat the sentences.

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