

## PRE-INTERMEDIATE - TP N.º 1

Name:



REMEMBER:

| Gerund vs Infinitive in English   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                   |
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|                                   | Gerund                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Infinitive                                                                                                                                        |
| What are Gerunds and Infinitives? | A gerund is a verb which ends in "-ing" and is used as a noun. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the gerund "running"</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                     | An infinitive is a verb which is preceded by "to" and is used as a verb. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the infinitive "to run"</li></ul>  |
| Difference                        | 1. We use a gerund as a noun, while an infinitive is used as a verb. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the gerund "running" can be used as a noun, while the infinitive "to run" is used as a verb.</li></ul> 2. Other differences include how they are used in a sentence and how they are formed. |                                                                                                                                                   |
| Examples                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>She loves swimming. (Gerund)</li><li>I like reading books. (Gerund)</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I need to go shopping. (Infinitive)</li><li>He helped me (to) understand the lesson. (Infinitive)</li></ul> |

*\*If you need further explanation, you can go to our Student's Book to page 138.*

## GRAMMAR infinitive with to or verb + -ing?

Complete the sentences with the -ing form or infinitive with to of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I can't promise to be (be) on time.
- 2 Swimming (swim) is better exercise than running.
- 3 Would you like \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to a concert on Saturday?
- 4 Do you mind \_\_\_\_\_ (not talk) so loudly?
- 5 It was very interesting \_\_\_\_\_ (see) my old school friends again.
- 6 Duncan works at weekends \_\_\_\_\_ (earn) more money.

- 7 On Sundays, Emma likes \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (relax, not do) anything.
- 8 We were unhappy with the service, so the restaurant offered \_\_\_\_\_ (give) us a free dinner.
- 9 Is it difficult \_\_\_\_\_ (learn) Japanese?
- 10 James is very competitive. He thinks \_\_\_\_\_ (win) is the most important thing.
- 11 She tried \_\_\_\_\_ (not hit) the man, but she was driving too fast.
- 12 We spent all evening \_\_\_\_\_ coffee and \_\_\_\_\_ (drink, talk).
- 13 Excuse me, I need \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the bathroom.
- 14 They drove without \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) for six hours.
- 15 We're thinking of \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Mexico for our holidays next year.
- 16 I'm very happy \_\_\_\_\_ (be) here again.

After completing this exercise, click on [this link](#) and test your knowledge!

## WRITING:

Choose one of the titles below and try to think of at least five tips. Organize your tips in a logical order. Start your tip with an imperative (Be prepared..., Don't be late..., Plan ahead..., etc.). Then explain why.

### How to survive:

- ★ to your first day at university
- ★ to a day without sleeping
- ★ an English oral exam
- ★ your first month of living alone