

Gerunds vs Infinitives

a Complete with a gerund or infinitive with *to* of a verb from the list.

carry call come do drive eat out go out take
tidy wait work

I'm exhausted! I don't fancy *going out* tonight.

- 1 I suggest _____ a taxi to the airport tomorrow. It'll be much quicker.
- 2 Even though the snow was really deep, we managed _____ to the local shop and back.
- 3 We'd better _____ some shopping – there isn't much food for the weekend.
- 4 I'm very impatient. I can't stand _____ in queues.
- 5 I wasn't well and a young man offered _____ my bags.
- 6 My parents used to make me _____ my room.
- 7 We threatened _____ the police if the boys didn't stop throwing stones.
- 8 Do you feel like _____ to the gym with me?
- 9 I'd prefer _____ instead of getting a takeaway.
- 10 I don't mind _____ late tonight if you want me to.

b Circle the correct form.

Your hair needs *cutting* / *to cut*. It's really long!

- 1 I'll never forget *to see* / *seeing* the Grand Canyon for the first time.
- 2 I need *to call* / *calling* the helpline. My computer has crashed.
- 3 Have you tried *to take* / *taking* a tablet to help you sleep?
- 4 I must have my keys somewhere. I can remember *to lock* / *locking* the door this morning.
- 5 I had to run home because I had forgotten *to turn* / *turning* the oven off.
- 6 Our house needs *to paint* / *painting*. Do you know any good house painters?
- 7 Did you remember *to send* / *sending* your sister a card? It's her birthday today.
- 8 We tried *to learn* / *learning* to ski last winter, but we weren't very good at it.

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