

infinitive

gerund

bare infinitive

wish, like,

hear, observe,

in progress

order, permission

mental activity

Complex object +

1. After verbs that express (opinion, assumption, expectation): *analyse, assume, believe, convince, discover, expect, find, find out, imagine, know, prove, suppose, think, trust, etc.*

Some friends **believe her to be** selfish for not wanting kids.

2. After verbs expressing desire or need: *desire, want, , should like, would like.*

Despite the pressure, they **would like their friends and family to respect** their choice.

Complex object +

1. After verbs of perception: *see, feel, , notice, watch.*

Did you **notice this family struggle** with societal expectations, yet still, they persist?

Note

We can also use a **gerund** to show an active action

I heard them **discussing** their child-free lifestyle with confidence.

2. After verbs of : *make, let, help.*

She **let them be** child-free without imposing her own beliefs on them.

Complex object +

1. After the following verbs: *dislike, hate, imagine, involve, keep, mind, prevent, remember, risk, stop.*

Many people **hate their friends reminding** them about the "biological clock."

Pronouns

Personal pronouns

I
he
she
it
you
we
they

Objective pronouns

me
him
her
its
you
us
them