

GAP-FILL EXERCISE PRACTICE
GERUND (PLAYING) / TO-INFINITIVE (TO PLAY)

- 1 He deserves (to be / being) severely punished.
- 2 In the end I gave up (to try / trying) to persuade her.
- 3 I always try to avoid (to see / seeing) him whenever I can.
- 4 I long (to be / being) in Scotland again.
- 5 My Mum demanded (to see / seeing) the manager.
- 6 My brother denied (to eat / eating) my chocolate mousse. Maybe his hamster ate it.
- 7 I tried (to understand/ understanding) but I just couldn't.
- 8 Charlie was pretending (to be / being) a chicken.
- 9 I always put off (to do / doing) my homework until the last possible moment.
- 10 We like Galicia so much that we keep (to go / going) back there.
- 11 When we visit my aunt, they expect me (to be / being) on my best behaviour.
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- 13 Dad threatened (to stop / stopping) my pocket money if I didn't do my homework.
- 14 I didn't mean (to hurt / hurting) her feelings. I'm really sorry.
- 15 I can't stand (to wait/waiting) in the queue at the baker's.
- 16 We arranged (to meet / meeting) under the station clock at half nine.
- 17 Clare offered (to take / taking) me to the airport, which was very kind of her.
- 18 The firemen managed (to put out / putting out) the fire pretty quickly.
- 19 They chose (to stay / staying) in a cheap hotel but spend more money on meals.
- 20 She's really sorry for (to shout / shouting) at you last night.

CHANGE OF MEANING. Complete by means of an -ing gerund or a to-infinitive.

- 21 I'm sorry, I forgot _____ (buy) milk.
- 22 I will never forget _____ (fly) over the Alps. It was so beautiful...
- 23 I don't remember _____ (stay) in this hotel before.
- 23 Remember _____ (turn off) the cooker before leaving.
- 24 I regret _____ (tell) you that there is no money left in your account.
- 25 I regret _____ (buy) this dress. It doesn't look nice on me.
- 26 Why don't you try _____ (add) some sugar to the sauce? It might taste better.
- 27 The firemen are trying _____ (put out) the fire.
- 28 She stopped _____ (get) some petrol before continuing on her journey to Leeds.
- 29 Stop _____ (talk), please!
- 30 I'm sorry _____ (hear) they fired him.
- 31 I'm sorry for _____ (be) unfair to you.