

Exercise Conjunctions of time with Gerunds

Unit 1 Out into the World M.6



Direction 1 Fill in the blanks by using before or after.

1. Always wash your hands _____ eating your lunch.
2. _____ finishing his homework, Leo went out to play basketball with his friends.
3. Remember to lock the front door _____ leaving the house.
4. _____ winning the championship game, the team celebrated at a local pizza restaurant.
5. You should stretch your muscles _____ starting a heavy workout to avoid injuries.
6. _____ failing her first driving test, Sarah practiced every day until she finally passed.
7. Please turn off all the lights _____ going to bed.
8. _____ studying for three hours straight, I decided to take a short break.
9. Double-check your essay for spelling mistakes _____ giving it to the teacher.
10. _____ painting the living room walls, we had to wait a few hours for them to dry.

Directions 2 Fill in the blanks by using while (for actions that take time/happen at the same time) or when (for specific moments, rules, or immediate actions).

11. _____ answering the phone in an office, you should always greet the caller politely.
12. My mother usually listens to her favorite podcast _____ cooking dinner.
13. _____ entering the library, please remember to silence your smartphone.
14. Tom accidentally dropped his phone _____ running to catch the school bus.
15. _____ choosing a new laptop, you need to consider your budget and what you need it for.
16. She fell asleep _____ watching a long, boring documentary on TV.
17. _____ introducing yourself to someone new, it is polite to smile and shake hands.
18. Never look down at your smartphone _____ crossing a busy street.
19. _____ arriving at the hotel, we went straight to the reception desk to check in.
20. My brother loves to sing loudly _____ taking a shower.

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Directions 3 Complete the sentences by changing the verb in parentheses into its correct gerund (-ing) form.

21. After _____ (finish) his final history project, Jack finally got some sleep.
22. Before _____ (take) the math exam, make sure you bring two sharpened pencils.
23. While _____ (study) for the biology quiz, Sarah made some helpful flashcards.
24. When _____ (write) an English essay, it is important to organize your ideas into paragraphs.
25. After _____ (receive) his report card, Leo proudly showed it to his parents.
26. When _____ (enter) the school library, you must keep your voice down.
27. After _____ (fail) the first chemistry experiment, the group tried again with more care.
28. Before _____ (submit) your homework online, check that you attached the correct file.
29. When _____ (choose) a movie to watch, my sister and I always argue.
30. After _____ (clean) his messy bedroom, Sam found his lost wallet under the bed.

