

VOCABULARY verbs + gerund

Match sentences 1–5 to a–e.

- 1 He hates doing housework.
- 2 He feels like going for a run.
- 3 He doesn't mind cooking all the meals.
- 4 He's stopped playing football.
- 5 He loves being with his friends.

- a He doesn't do it any more.
- b It isn't a problem for him to do it.
- c He really doesn't like it.
- d He wants to do it now.
- e He really likes it.

b Circle the correct words.

- 1 Jenny never goes to parties because she doesn't mind / doesn't enjoy meeting new people.
- 2 Please don't start / go on eating until everyone has their food.
- 3 I can go with you, but I need to stop / spend an hour doing homework first.
- 4 My dad always gets to the airport very early because he hates / loves arriving late.
- 5 I really start / love taking photos. It's probably my favourite hobby.
- 6 My brother doesn't do much sport, but he spends / likes watching it on TV.
- 7 Let's hire a car when we get there. I don't mind / don't like driving.
- 8 I'm going to go on / stop studying English next year. I'm really enjoying the classes.
- 9 I don't like / feel like going out tonight. I'm too tired.
- 10 A Why did you stop / start going to the gym?
B It was too boring!

GRAMMAR uses of the gerund (verb + -ing)

Complete the sentences with the *-ing* form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 I hate *being* (be) late for meetings. I think it's really rude.
- 2 We stopped (study) German because we didn't like the classes.
- 3 James is celebrating because he's finished (write) his book.
- 4 I'm bored. I feel like (go) for a walk.
- 5 I don't mind (get) up early in the morning.
- 6 Kate really enjoys (listen) to music while she's running.

b Match sentences 1–6 to a–f.

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| 2 Read the instructions before | <input type="text"/> |
| 3 He started his speech by | <input type="text"/> |
| 4 I'm not very good at | <input type="text"/> |
| 5 Miriam left the party without | <input type="text"/> |
| 6 I'm really looking forward to | <input type="text"/> |
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- a using the machine for the first time.
 - b seeing you tonight.
 - c ~~stopping work and retiring?~~
 - d thanking everybody for coming.
 - e saying goodbye to me.
 - f parking my dad's car. It's very big.

c Write sentences using the -ing form.

- 1 my friends and I / enjoy / go / for a curry

My friends and I enjoy going for a curry.

- 2 you / consider / invite / Sandra / to dinner / last weekend ?

- 3 we / avoid / eat / after 9 p.m.

- 4 my mother / be / good / at / bake

- 5 I prefer / eat / fish / to / eat / meat

- 6 you / think / of / make / a cake for Karen's birthday ?

d How do you feel about the following activities?

Circle the best answer for you, a, b, or c.

- 1 Going to the gym

a  b  c 

- 2 Chatting to my friends on social media

a  b  c 

- 3 Being alone

a  b  c 

- 4 Walking on the beach

a  b  c 

- 5 Going shopping for clothes

a  b  c 

- 6 Getting up late

a  b  c 

e Use your answers in **d** to write sentences. Say what you love, don't mind, or hate doing.

1 I going to the gym.

2 I chatting to my friends on social media.

3 I .

4 .

5 .

6 .