

Symbols & keys

Section 3 Grammar

Study the two Grammar Boxes.

Using gerunds

A **gerund** is an **infinitive** with **-ing**.

We use a gerund:

- after a preposition.
- after certain verbs, including *try*, *consider* and *think about*.

Examples:

Preposition + gerund

*Make the circuit **by closing** the switch.*

*Open the switch **before conducting** each check.*

*Close the switch **after completing** each stage.*

Verb + gerund

*If the lamp does not light, **try moving** the dimmer switch to maximum.*

*If the switch is faulty, **consider fitting** a new switch.*

*If you can't fix the fault, **think about calling** an electrician.*

Si después de una preposición (by, after, before, about, in, etc.) hay un verbo, ese verbo debe tener la terminación -ING. Por ejemplo "open the switch before **conducting** each check" Abra el interruptor antes de realizar cada verificación

En este caso **ING**, no se traduce como ando/endo (realiz**ANDO**)

Ademas, algunos verbos van SIEMPRE seguidos por otro verbos terminado en ING. Por ejemplo TRY, CONSIDER, THINK ABOUT

Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 1 Make the circuit by connect all the components.
- 2 Turn on the light by closeing the switch.
- 3 Adjust the brightness operating the dimmer switch.
- 4 Open the switch before to complete each stage.
- 5 Try remake any bad connections.
- 6 If the lamp does not light, try to replace the bulb.
- 7 After completing each stage, remember closing the switch
- 8 If the switch is faulty, try fiting a new switch.