

Practice 3. Passive Gerunds

Directions: Choose the correct answer.

1. Rather than _____ about the good news, Santiago seemed to be indifferent.
A. exciting B. to excite
C. being excited D. to be excited

2. The new students hope _____ in many of the university's social activities.
A. including B. to include
C. being included D. to be included

3. The owner of the pool supply store never really minds _____ his customers discounts when they buy in large quantities.
A. giving B. to give
C. being given D. to be given

4. Jhazmere got into trouble when he refused _____ his backpack for he customs officer.
- A. opening B. to open
C. being opened D. to be opened
5. Linda didn't mention _____ about her yearly review at work, but I'm sure she is.
- A. concerning B. to concern
C. being concerned D. to be concerned
6. The City Parks Department is putting in several miles of new trails because so many people have said that they enjoy _____ on them.
- A. walking B. to walk
C. being walked D. to be walked

7. You'd better save some money for a rainy day. You can't depend on _____ by your parents every time you have financial problems.
- A. rescuing B. to rescue
C. being rescued D. to be rescued
8. Please forgive me. I didn't mean _____ you.
- A. upsetting B. to upset
C. being upset D. to be upset
9. I don't remember _____ of the decision to change the company policy on vacations.
When was it decided?
- A. telling B. to tell
C. being told D. to be told
10. Ms. Snow expects _____ about any changes to her manuscript before it is published.
- A. consulting B. to consult
C. being consulted D. to be consulted

11. Rose gave such a good speech that I couldn't resist _____ loudly when she reached its conclusion.
A. applauding B. to applaud
C. being applauded D. to be applauded
12. Toby confessed to _____ the rock through the window.
A. throwing B. throw
C. being thrown D. be thrown
13. If you want to have inner peace, you have to stop _____ by every little thing that happens.
A. bothering B. to bother
C. being bothered D. to be bothered
14. Roberto clearly didn't mind _____ by the party to celebrate his 65th birthday, although he told his friends that they shouldn't have done it.
A. surprising B. to surprise
C. being surprised D. to be surprised
15. Conor hopes _____ to join the exclusive golf club. He could make important business contacts there.
A. inviting B. to invite
C. being invited D. to be invited