

GRAMMAR EXERCISES – Part 2

Exercise 3. Choose the best answer.

1. He thought that such a trifle was not worth _____
A. being mentioned B. having mentioned
C. mentioning D. to be mentioned
2. I'm surprised at your _____ this book so quickly. How did you manage to do it?
A. being read B. having read
C. having been read D. reading
3. I thought of _____ Tim for help, but then I decided to ask Linda.
A. asking B. having asked C. my asking D. to ask
4. The fear _____ for what he had done made him run away.
A. being punished B. of being punished
C. of punishing D. to be punished
5. This work should be no problem for him. He is used to _____ it.
A. being done B. do C. doing D. having done
6. She was tired. She didn't feel capable _____ anything.
A. doing B. about doing C. for doing D. of doing
7. He apologized in advance for _____ to see us during our visit.
A. being not able B. having been not able C. not being able D. not having been able
8. It is no use _____ it. He is not listening to you.
A. by repeating B. in repeating C. of repeating D. repeating
9. We have no objection _____ him.
A. for inviting B. of inviting C. to inviting D. to invite
10. I was reading a book when she burst into my room without _____.
A. being seen B. knocking C. saying goodbye D. turning on the light

Exercise 4: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. The missing children were last seen _____ (play) near the river.
2. _____ (complete) the book, he had a holiday.
3. _____ (find) only in the Andes, the plant is used by local people to treat skin diseases.
4. The accident seems _____ (happen) at around 1.00 p.m yesterday.
5. The shoes _____ (make) in China is cheap.
6. Last year I studied abroad. I appreciate _____ (have) the opportunity to live and study in a foreign country.
7. _____ (look) down from the hill, the town spread out before us towards the coast.
8. Alex doesn't like to have her picture _____ (take). She avoids _____ (photograph).
9. I don't agree with _____ (smack) children if they do something wrong.
10. The book _____ (publish) last month is her first novel.
11. _____ (photocopy) all the papers, Sally put them back in the file.
12. I found a coin _____ (lie) on the sidewalk.

Exercise 5 Rewrite the sentences using participle clauses.

1. Susan was lying in the sun. She got sunburned.

⇒ _____

2. Tim has just retired. He is now able to spend more time gardening.

⇒ _____

3. They bought their tickets and went to find a seat.

⇒ _____

4. The student sat in front of the computer and wrote his essay.

⇒ _____

5. Some people argue against school uniforms. They feel children should wear what they want to.

⇒ _____

6. Some students are disappointed in their progress at school. These students often do not go into further education.

⇒ _____

7. Children do not have the maturity to make every choice themselves. They need a parent or guardian to make decisions on their behalf.

⇒ _____

8. I didn't want to break the law. I called the police instead.

⇒ _____

9. John travelled overseas a lot as a teenager. He learns different cultures and customs.

⇒ _____