

WRITING EXERCISE

LESSON 1: Gerunds and infinitives

A. Complete the chart, checking the correct grammatical label for each underlined word.

	VERBS BASE OF A GERUND	VERBS BASE OF AN INFINITIVE	VERBS BASE OF GERUND OR INITIVE
I <u>hate</u> cooking.			
I <u>plan</u> to go shopping today.			
Lucas doesn't <u>enjoy</u> washing up the dishes			
Who <u>would</u> like to have a cup of tea?			
Karen <u>can't</u> stand eating salty food.			
Students <u>feel</u> like listening to rock music.			
I always <u>avoid</u> running in the morning.			
My pet <u>loves</u> to sleep on my bed			

B. Choose the correct verb.

1. Helena would like (going / to go) to the movies tonight.
2. Our classmates don't mind (studying / to study) for a test once a week.
3. No one agrees (being / to be) here at 7:00. That's just to early.
4. You seem (being / to be) ready to leave.
5. Most people don't choose (arrive / to arrive) late; they just get stuck in traffic or have some other problem.

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6. I don't feel like (going / to go) to a restaurant tonight. Let's stay home.
7. If you practice (saying / to say) no, it gets easier.
8. Doctors always suggest (quitting / to quit) smoking.
9. Do you enjoy (sitting / to sit) on the beach in the sun?
10. Do most people avoid (talking / to talk) about their problems?

C. Correct the errors in the following statements.

1. I think we should discuss to paint the kitchen white. It looks so nice and clean.
2. Be sure being on time for work.
3. We don't need buying a new car.
4. Our children hope going to Ocean World on our next vacation.
5. I love learning speaking new languages.