

**TEST 17 - VERBS FOLLOWED BY GERUND OR INFINITIVE****1 Choose the correct meaning, A or B.**

- 0 The TV presenter finished talking and went on to introduce her guests.  
A She continued doing one action. **B** She started doing a second action.
- 1 The cleaner needs paying.  
A We should pay the cleaner. B The cleaner should pay us.
- 2 I like to go to the dentist every six months.  
A I enjoy doing this. B I choose to do this, to have my teeth checked regularly.
- 3 I've tried so hard to understand this science course, but I just can't.  
A I've made a lot of effort. B I've done a lot of experiments.
- 4 I won't forget to pay the bills while you're away.  
A I remember this from my past. B This is something I should do.
- 5 I saw you rehearsing for the play – you were really good.  
A I saw the whole of the rehearsal. B I saw part of the rehearsal.

**2 GRAMMAR IN USE** Read the email and choose the correct words in *italics>. In two places, both answers are possible. 🔊 4.05 Listen and check.*

Subject:

Hi Caroline

You know when we last spoke you said I should stop (0) *to feel* / *feeling* sorry for myself here and find something to do? Well, I have! I needed (1) *to get* / *getting* out to meet people, so I decided I'd try (2) *to join* / *joining* a group of some kind. I started (3) *to look* / *looking* for a 'Naturewatch' group in this area, and I found one.

It's really good – the people are nice and there are walks and other activities every weekend and some evenings. I love (4) *walk* / *walking* anyway, and I quite like (5) *to go* / *going* out in all weathers, or sometimes at night to see a badger or foxes (6) *to look* / *looking* for food. Last weekend, we actually saw an eagle (7) *fly* / *flying* over us – it was chasing something and it disappeared from sight in seconds. You can't help (8) *to get* / *getting* excited when you see something like that.

So you can stop (9) *to worry* / *worrying* about me – I really don't regret (10) *moving* / *to move* here, after all!

Susie 😊

**3 Complete each sentence with the correct (infinitive or -ing) form of the verb in brackets.**

🔊 4.06 Listen and check.

- 1 A I love (0) *cooking* ..... (cook) for friends. You must try my onion soup.  
B Well, I can smell something (1) ..... (burn). Did you turn the cooker off?  
A Oh! I think I remember (2) ..... (do) it, but I'd better go and check.
- 2 A I've had the letter. This is what they said: 'We regret (3) ..... (inform) you that your application will not be taken any further.'  
B So what does that mean?  
A Well, they're trying (4) ..... (tell) me nicely that I haven't got the job.  
B Oh, no. What will you do now?  
A I'll go on (5) ..... (look), of course. I still need (6) ..... (find) a job!