Underline the word or phrase that is correct.

a) What do you mean to *do/doing* about the leaky pipes?

b) I never imagined the mountains to *be/being* so high!

c) Don't forget to *wake me/waking me* before you leave.

d) I regret to *tell you/telling you* that we cannot accept your offer.

e) Did you manage to *find/finding* the book you were looking for?

f) I tried *taking/to take* that medicine you gave me but I couldn't swallow it.

g) We have postponed to *tell/telling* anyone the news until after Christmas,

h) Have you considered to *buy/buying* a microwave oven?

i) Sorry I'm late, I had to stop to *pick up/picking up* the children from school,

j) Margaret was slow at school, but she went on to *be/being* Prime Minister.

Complete each sentence using the verb in brackets in an appropriate form.

a) Sorry, I meant _____ (tell) you I would be out, but I forgot.

b) That's all for now. I (hope) _____ hear from you soon!

c) If I take the new job, it (mean) _____ working a lot harder!

d) Are you still tired? Or do you (feel) _____ going out for a meal?

e) Jane is (say) _____ the most outstanding player in the team.

f) I wish you (keep) _____ complaining all the time!

g) How (suggest) _____ that I would take a bribe! I've never been so insulted!

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h) We offered (help) _____ Helen carry her bags, but she said she (manage) _____ on her own.

Complete the text by putting the verbs in brackets into the correct form, gerund or infinitive.

Yukie Hanue is considered by many (1) _____ (be) the finest violinist of her generation - and she's still in her early twenties. When we visited her, in the music department of the University of New York, she was too busy practising (2)_____ (talk), but she invited us (3)_____ (have) a coffee with her in her mid-morning break. Astonishingly, she manages (4) _____ (combine) her PhD at the university with international concerts and recitals, numerous public appearances and interviews. She evidently thrives on the workload, buzzing around the place with an industrious enthusiasm that leaves us all breathless. Her fame as a performer means (5) _____ (make) regular appearances at high profile events. Last month, for example, she agreed (6) _____ (appear) in a series of recitals organised by Coca-Cola. This involved (7)_____ (travel) to far-flung places like Seoul, Oslo and Montevideo on successive days, a schedule which would have caused any normal person to wilt. I can't stand (8) _____ (do) nothing,' she says. I happen (9) _____ (have) a particular talent, and it would be wasteful not (10) _____ (exploit) it to the full.' I encouraged

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her (11) _____ (tell) me about her upbringing, but she was rather reticent to sing her own praises. I did, however, succeed in persuading her (12) _____ (confess) to a secret desire. 'If I hadn't been a musician, I would have loved to train (13) _____ (become) a martial arts expert,' she says. Certainly, she would have had the discipline, but I couldn't imagine someone so physically frail actually (14) _____ (stand) there hitting someone. But it was an interesting revelation, and one that I was (15)_____ (learn) more about during my day with her.

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