Infinitive clauses



'I want you to remember this!'

You can use the following structure with the verbs below:

S + V + object + (not) to V

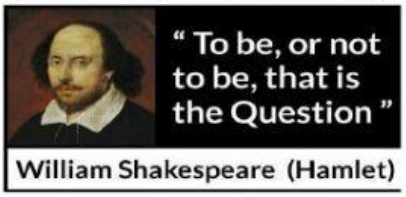
advise, allow, ask , beg, cause, convince, enable, encourage, expect, force, get, help, intend, invite, mean, order, persuade, push, recommend, remind, take (time), teach, tell, urge, warn, want, need, would like, would hate, would prefer can also be used with the same structure.

Ex: *I need you **to do** something for me.* *I would prefer you **not to** tell her about it.*

*(Like Shakespeare, in the negative form, use **not to V** !)*

*She wants me **to go** with the doctor's with her.*

*They would like me **to be** available at all times.*



Let's practice !

1. *Use the following pairs of verbs in the right form to make meaningful sentences.*

encourage / work expect / stay allow / discover would not like / think take / get warn / stop

a. The supporters were disappointed as they ..... the manager ..... at least for one more season.

b. It ..... us ages ..... to the hotel last week.

c. I ..... you ..... I don't appreciate your help !

d. He ..... me ..... bothering her.

e. Their teacher ..... his students ..... regularly.

f. Speaking several languages will ..... you ..... new cultures.

2. *Fill in the gaps with the objects and the verbs in brackets in the correct form.*

When I was a young teenager, my parents were the worst, or that's what I used to think. For a start, they didn't allow ..... (me / go out) with my friends. However much I always begged ..... (them / let) me go out, they would always force ..... (me / stay) home. As a teenager, I remember thinking that they just didn't want ..... (me / have) fun. It wasn't just that I wasn't allowed to hang out with my friends, but they were always telling me to help ..... (them / do) all sort of things around the house: washing dishes, mopping floors, dusting my room, you name it. I remember how much I used to think I hated them at the time. I often imagined them having an accident, or a very nasty event that caused ..... (them / get) hurt. At the time, my utter selfishness didn't let me see that my parents just intended ..... (me/turn) right. They didn't want ..... (their son / be) a loser, and they did everything they could to achieve that. Now I have a teenage son myself, and I have to admit that I'm doing to him everything I hated my parents doing to me.

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