

2 Read the information.

**-ing form**

We can use the -ing form like a noun:

- as the subject of a sentence:  
*Learning English is easy.*
- after go, to talk about a particular activity or sport:  
*I went swimming.*  
*How often do you go skiing?*

- after adjectives with prepositions. (For a list of adjectives followed by prepositions, see Unit 17.)

*My sister's very good at painting.*

*I'm tired of watching TV all the time!*

- after the verbs *like, enjoy, love, hate, prefer, not mind, can't stand.*

*She loves dancing.*

*I can't stand listening to that music!*

3 Write sentences with the -ing form.

- drive / fast / dangerous
- go out / with friends / fun
- travel / by plane / expensive
- collect / stamps / interesting
- eat / sweets / bad for your teeth
- play golf / boring
- walk / good exercise
- smoke / bad for you

*Driving fast is dangerous*

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4 Write sentences with the -ing form.

- Harry / not like / skate  
*Harry doesn't like skating.*

- Lucy / be / fond of / paint

- Peter / can't stand / listen / to Lucy's music

- my father / often / go / fish

- I / really enjoy / cook

- he / be / very keen on / collect / model cars

- Chrissie / never / go / shop / at weekends

- Kelly / be / afraid of / walk / in the dark

## 5 Read the information.

We use **to** + infinitive after the verbs **want, agree, decide, offer, promise, would like, would love**.

*I want to go home. He offered to help us.*

- after these adjectives: **happy, sorry, glad.**  
*I'm really happy to see you.*
- **I'm sorry to hear about that.**
- to express purpose.  
*I'd like to go to the beach.*

**She went to the supermarket to get some milk.** (She went to the supermarket because she wanted to get some milk.)

- We use an infinitive without **to** after the verbs **let, make and would rather.**

*My dad didn't let me go to the party.  
I'd rather watch a comedy.*

## 6 Circle the correct answer.

1 No, I don't want <b>go / to go!</b>	B: Fine! We'll go without you!
2 Will your sister let us <b>use / to use</b> her computer?	B: Yes. I've already asked her.
3 Ben agreed <b>help / to help</b> us.	B: That's great!
4 They promised <b>be / to be</b> back at six.	B: Well, they're late again!
5 Simon offered <b>drive / to drive</b> us to the station.	B: OK. I'll be ready in five minutes.
6 I'd rather <b>stay / to stay</b> at home tonight.	B: Me too.
7 They've decided <b>sell / to sell</b> the house.	B: I know. They're moving to London.
8 I'm so sorry I made you <b>cry / to cry!</b>	B: Don't ever do that again!

7 Join the sentences. Use an infinitive with **to**.

- 1 He came here. He wanted to see you.  
*He came here to see you*
- 2 Amy went to the café. She wanted to meet Katie.
- 3 They're going to Brighton. They want to visit a friend.
- 4 Dad turned on the radio. He wanted to listen to the news.
- 5 Kelly went out. She wanted to buy a present for Tricia.
- 6 I phoned George. I wanted to tell him about the party.
- 7 He stayed at home. He wanted to finish his project.
- 8 I need a key. I want to open that door.