

GERUNDS AND INFINITIVES

Choose the correct option.

1. I can't stop _____. I'm in a hurry.
 - a. To speak
 - b. Speaking
2. He's completed the design on time by closely _____ the brief he was given.
 - a. Follow
 - b. Following
3. I'm looking forward to _____ the expedition to the North Pole.
 - a. Joining
 - b. Join
4. I admit to foolishly _____ victory before the game was over.
 - a. Celebrate
 - b. Celebrating
5. I regret not _____ the place I was offered at university.
 - a. Taking up
 - b. Take up
6. I can't bear _____ politicians being dishonest.
 - a. Watching
 - b. To watch
7. If you forget _____ the homework, you will have problems with the teacher.
 - a. To do
 - b. Doing
 - c.

Match the beginnings and endings of these sentences.

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| 1. It's not | a. time learning foreign languages. |
| 2. It's a waste of | b. buying property. It's better to rent. |
| 3. It's no use | c. people talking about money all the time. |
| 4. I can't stand | d. not taking driving lessons. |
| 5. She prefers to | e. eat fish rather than seafood. |
| 6. I very much regret | f. worth complaining to the manager. |

1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____ 5 ____ 6 ____

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

In which sentence are two answers possible?

1. I meant _____ (buy) my grandfather a birthday present, but I forgot.
2. I remember _____ (carry) the painting I bought you all round Mexico!
3. She's stopped _____ (take) sandwiches to work. She eats in the canteen now.
4. Camping isn't for me. I prefer _____ (stay) in a comfortable hotel.
5. _____ (analyse) the problem is not enough - what we need is a solution.
6. Tom doesn't believe in _____ (pay) for anything if he can get it for free.

Two answers are possible in sentence number _____.