

GERUND

Exercise 1. Insert prepositions where necessary.

1. Alice isn't interested _____ looking for a new job.
2. You are capable _____ doing better work.
3. She was afraid _____ going on public transport.
4. He was looking forward _____ taking the tickets.
5. Newton, the famous scientist, was sometimes engaged _____ working out difficult problems.
6. Try to avoid _____ making him angry.
7. Is there anything here worth _____ buying?
8. I'm very sorry _____ being late. It was very good of you to wait for me.
9. I have no objections _____ hearing your story again.
10. We had difficulty _____ finding a parking place.
11. He surprised us all _____ going away _____ saying "Good bye".
12. Please forgive me _____ interrupting you but would you mind _____ repeating that last sentence?
13. There's no point _____ arriving half an hour early. We'd only have to wait.
14. I'm accused _____ having a big breakfast every morning.
15. The weather is awful tonight. I don't blame you _____ not wanting to go to the meeting.
16. Who is responsible _____ washing dishes after dinner?
17. The angry look on his face stopped me _____ speaking my mind.
18. I wish you do something to help, instead _____ standing there giving advice.
19. I'm accustomed _____ having a big breakfast.
20. You should take advantage _____ living here.
21. He showed us how to get to his house _____ drawing a map.
22. Mrs. Grant insisted _____ knowing the whole truth.
23. In addition _____ going to school full-time, Sam has a part-time job.
24. Where should we go for dinner tonight? Would you object _____ going to an Italian restaurant?
25. The thief was accused _____ stealing a woman's purse.
26. I'm not very good _____ learning languages.
27. How _____ playing tennis tomorrow?
28. She must be fed up _____ studying.
29. This knife is only _____ cutting bread.
30. Tom prefers working _____ doing nothing.