

BARE INFINITIVE / TO INFINITIVE / V-ING???

Exercise 1: Choose the correct form of the verbs in brackets

1. The teacher decided (accepting / to accept) the paper.
2. They appreciate (to have / having) this information.
3. His father doesn't approve of his (going / to go) to Europe.
4. We found it very difficult (reaching / to reach) a decision.
5. Donna is interested in (to open / opening) a bar.
6. George has no intention of (to leave / leaving) the city now.
7. We are eager (to return / returning) to school in the fall.
8. We would be better off (to buy / buying) this car.
9. She refused (to accept / accepting) the gift.
10. Mary regrets (to leave / leaving) school at 14 – it was a big mistake.

Exercise 2: Complete the sentences below with these verbs

apply, be (x2), listen, make, see, use, wash, work, write

1. Could you please stop..... so much noise?
2. I enjoyto music.
3. I considered for the job but in the end I decided against it.
4. Have you finishedyour hair yet?
5. If you walk into the road without looking, you risk.....knocked down.
6. Jim is 65 but he isn't going to retire yet. He wants to carry on.....
7. I don't mind you.....the phone as long as you pay for all your calls.
8. Hello! Fancy you here! What a surprise!
9. I've put off the letter so many times. I really must do it today.
10. What a stupid thing to do! Can you imagine anybody so stupid?

Exercise 3: Fill in the blanks with the correct answers

1. Mr. Baker's children are busy (collect) stamps for their club.
2. We do not want (go) to that restaurant because it's dirty.
3. Would you be so good as (answer) the phone when it rings?
4. They gave up (gamble) long ago.
5. Try (avoid, make) a lot of mistakes in your thesis.
6. They are against (make) complaints about the road construction.
7. It is no use (drink) a lot of alcoholic drinks.
8. Her brother made her (clean) the kitchen.
9. It is difficult for me to get used to (sleep) earlier.
10. We are looking forward to (hear) from you.
11. Would you mind (put) your pet somewhere else?
12. It's no use (wait) for her too long.
13. He urged us (work) faster.
14. My mother told me (not speak) to anyone about it.
15. I can't understand her (behave) like that.