

The Infinitive

Final Grammar Test Paper

Choose the appropriate form of the infinitive.

- 1) Don't worry about him, he is sure (to have) a good time at the moment.
- 2) He is happy (to award) the first Landscape Prize for his picture.
- 3) He must (to read) something funny; he is smiling all the time.
- 4) I am glad (to introduce) to you.
- 5) I meant (to ask) you about it long ago but I had no opportunity.
- 6) The box was (to handle) with care. You should (to ask) somebody (to help) you. This might not (to happen).
- 7) They are supposed (to experiment) in this field for about a year and are believed (to achieve) good results.
- 8) They seemed (to learn) the news; they look excited.
- 9) This poem is easy (to memorise).
- 10) Why (to go) into that matter at all?

Define the function of the infinitives in the sentences

- 1) George was waiting **to be called up**.
- 2) It was a thing **to do**, a way **to kill** time.
- 3) We have forgotten **to inform** her about it.
- 4) She turned and ran away quickly **not to see** him anymore.
- 5) **To write down** these words was a very stupid thing **to do**.
- 6) I think I am very lucky **to have come** here.
- 7) The story I have **to tell** you is very simple.
- 8) It's not for you **to decide**.
- 9) She came **to learn** the rules of the game that she must **play**.
- 10) The decision **to stay** longer was on his mind all the week, and he had made up his mind **to tell** her.
- 11) It's advisable **to stay** home as it's too cold today **to walk**.

State the type of predicative constructions in the sentences: Complex Subject (CS) or Complex Object (SO).

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| 1) He appeared to be an ideal home man. | CS | CO |
| 2) He decided to have her meet him. | CS | CO |
| 3) He felt his head tremble slightly with rage. | CS | CO |
| 4) He found her water some plants. | CS | CO |
| 5) He is sure to be back soon. | CS | CO |
| 6) He wouldn't suffer a word to be spoken about his mother. | CS | CO |
| 7) He was heard to say he was taking lessons on English. | CS | CO |
| 8) He was said to be one of the most promising dancers. | CS | CO |
| 9) His office turned out to be the back streets of the town. | CS | CO |
| 10) I came to get someone to tell me the truth. | CS | CO |
| 11) I chanced to tell him our secret. | CS | CO |
| 12) I saw her go off at this direction about an hour ago. | CS | CO |
| 13) If the door happens to be locked, go through a window. | CS | CO |
| 14) It set her heart leap. | CS | CO |
| 15) Never once she had been seen to cry. | CS | CO |
| 16) She doesn't seem to want to do anything. | CS | CO |
| 17) Shut up in her room she could be heard cry bitterly. | CS | CO |
| 18) They are perfectly certain to be great friends. | CS | CO |
| 19) They didn't seem to see her. | CS | CO |
| 20) She suffered me to have my own way. | CS | CO |

Insert the particle "to" where required

- 1) I don't like _____ be in here, I'd rather _____ be somewhere else.
- 2) She watched his hands _____ move as if they were about _____ touch her.
- 3) You promised _____ let me _____ go if the marriage wasn't a success.
- 4) It doesn't matter what made him _____ change his mind.
- 5) Paul tried _____ break away _____ come to me.
- 6) He saw him _____ take this book and _____ go away.
- 7) I happened _____ be going to London.
- 8) He didn't think it ought _____ be kept any longer.
- 9) I would like _____ hear you _____ play that song.
- 10) They were made _____ go away.
- 11) I told the driver _____ take me to the hospital.
- 12) She couldn't _____ bring herself _____ tell him about it.
- 13) He was seen _____ be entering the office.
- 14) You'd better _____ shut the door.

