

# Verb + infinitive or *-ing* form

## 1 Circle the correct verb form in these sentences.

Tick (✓) the box if both forms are correct.

- 1 My friends agreed paying / to pay for my ticket. ☐
- 2 I don't mind cycling / to cycle in the rain. ☐
- 3 I've started learning / to learn the saxophone. ☐
- 4 Two men have admitted stealing / to steal the painting. ☐
- 5 We ended up staying / to stay at the hotel for a week instead of two nights. ☐
- 6 Do you like going / to go for walks on the beach? ☐
- 7 I hate seeing / to see animals in pain. ☐
- 8 I don't expect passing / to pass all my exams. ☐
- 9 She offered phoning / to phone me later. ☐

## 2 Complete the text with the infinitive or *-ing* form of the verbs in brackets. Sometimes both are correct.

At the end of a long journey, most people prefer <sup>1</sup> to get (get) home and relax as soon as possible. They don't fancy <sup>2</sup>  (shop), but they don't want <sup>3</sup>  (arrive) home with nothing to eat. Now, travellers who pass through Gatwick Airport in London can avoid <sup>4</sup>  (return) home to an empty fridge by choosing <sup>5</sup>  (visit) a virtual shop. There are no real products in the shop, only images on ten large screens. When you decide <sup>6</sup>  (buy) something, you use your smartphone to scan it. You keep <sup>7</sup>  (scan) items until you've found everything you need, then you pay. After that, you can spend a week or two <sup>8</sup>  (enjoy) your holiday. The shop promises <sup>9</sup>  (deliver) your shopping soon after you get home. According to the retailer, the virtual shop is a perfect combination of traditional and online shopping. People enjoy <sup>10</sup>  (look) around shops, but they also love <sup>11</sup>  (shop) online because it's so convenient.