GRAMMAR PRACTICE UNIT 3-4

Unit 4 – Gerund/ to infinitive

Exercise 1: Decide if the Gerund in the following sentences used as a subject, object or as a complement?

1. Swimming is great fun.
2. She hates staying out at night.
3. Fishing is my hobby.
4. Smoking is bad for your health.
5. Do you enjoy cooking?
6. Climbing can be dangerous.
7. Doing housework is boring.
8. My favourite activity is using my computer.
9. Why don't you like ironing?
10. What he really likes is going on foot.

Exercise 2: Choose the best answer in brackets.

1. Remember (checking/ to check) your answer before handing in your exam paper.
2. I remember (putting/ to put) the money in the top drawer, but it's not there now.
3. He needs (working/ to work) harder if he wants to make progress.
4. It's difficult problem. It needs (thinking/ to think) about very carefully.
5. I think Nam meant (breaking/ to break) that glass. It didn't look like an accident.
6. If we want to get there by 7.00, that means (getting/ to get) up before 5.00.
7. Can you help me (getting/ to get) the dinner ready?
8. He looks so funny. Whenever I see him, I can't help (smiling/ to smile).
9. I advise (taking/ to take) more exercise.
10. I'd advise you (taking/ to take) more exercise.

Exercise 3: Choose the best answer to complete the sentences.

1. It was very dangerous. We couldn't risk_____her alone.
A. leave **B.** leaving **C.** to leave **D.** left
2. I had the roof_____yesterday.
A. to repair **B.** repaired **C.** repairing **D.** repair
3. We let our son_____up late at weekends.
A. staying **B.** stay **C.** to stay **D.** stayed
4. The children were eager_____their parents.
A. to see **B.** see **C.** seeing **D.** saw
5. He'd rather_____at home.
A. to stay **B.** staying **C.** stayed **D.** stay
6. Nam is very humorous. His joke makes me____a lot.
A. laugh **B.** to laugh **C.** laughing **D.** laughed
7. They saw him_____the agreement.
A. sign **B.** to sign **C.** to signing **D.** signed
8. It's necessary for her_back home before 10 p.m.
A. coming **B.** come **C.** came **D.** to come
9. They would_____go to Ho Chi Minh City by plane than travel by train.
A. like **B.** rather **C.** prefer **D.** better
10. The boss allows____going home early.
A. us to go **B.** us go **C.** us going **D.** us to going

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11.1 remember_____him in London.

A. meet **B.** to meet **C.** meeting **D.** to meeting

12. He avoids_____underwear at that shop.

A. buy **B.** to buy **C.** bought **D.** buying

13. The girls agreed___the cake equally.

A. to be divided **B.** to divide **C.** dividing **D.** divide

14. She expected_____for the job, but she wasn't.

A. to select **B.** selected **C.** selecting **D.** to be selected

15. David finished_____his homework and then he went to the party with George and Bill.

A. do **B.** to be done **C.** to do **D.** doing

16. Please don't forget_the baby. She needs to eat every two hours.

A. feeding **B.** fed **C.** to feed **D.** to be fed

17. Mr. Tim wants_____to his office.

A. that come **B.** you coming **C.** you come **D.** you to come

18. What about_____for a walk?

A. go **B.** going **C.** to go **D.** gone

19._____at the audience, the contestant gave her answer with confidence.

A. Looking **B.** To look **C.** Have look **D.** Look

20. The thief admitted_the money.

A. to steal **B.** stealing **C.** have stolen **D.** stolen

21. She decided_____to Ho Chi Minh city.

A. to move **B.** moving **C.** have moved **D.** move

22. We are very happy about your_____all the assignments before the deadline.

A. being completed **B.** completed **C.** having completed **D.** to complete

23._____all the rules of chess, the contestants started to play the first game.

A. Learn B To learn **C.** Had learned **D.** Having learned

24. He had better_____this book again.

A. to reading **B** to read **C.** read **D.** to having read

25.I hate_____a child_____.

A. see/crying **B.** see/ cry **C.** seeing/ to cry **D.** seeing/ cry

26. The police accused him of ____ire to the building but he denied___in the area on the night of the fire.

A. setting/ be **B.** setting/ having been **C.** set/ be **D.** set/ having been

27. Passing the kitchen, he stopped_____a large glass of water.

A. to drink **B.** drink **C.** drinking **D.** to drinking

28. They stopped_____when the teacher came in.

A. talk **B.** to talk **C.** talking **D.** to talking

29.I regret_____you that the model you want is out of stock.

A. tell B. to tell **C.** telling D. to telling

30.I didn't regret_____a year travelling around the world.

A. spend **B.** to spend **C.** spending **D. t**o spending

Exercise 4: Put the verbs in the brackets in the correct form.

1.We encouraged him_(succeed in)_____(become) a top player.

2.It's no good_____(force) her to go with us.

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3.I promised_____(care) for the dog but I'm not much good at_____(babysit).
4.The people thanked me for_____(offer)_____(help) them.
5.He begged her_____(not accuse) him of_____(ruin) her hairstyle by____(try) _____(kiss) her.
6.It is not worth_____(help) her_____(do) the job.
7.I let my son_____(choose) between_____(fly) and_____(take) the train.
8.The film was really worth_____(see) so we made Daisy_____(go) to the movies with us.
9.He forced us_____(accept) his offer by_____(raise) it by 10%.
10. Normally I enjoy___(go) out but today I'd prefer_____(stay) indoors.
11. His wife promised__(not object) to his_____(smoke).
12. We continued_____(eat) after the interruption.
13.I am not in the habit of_____(smoke) in the office.
14. Mary reminded me_(finish) my work on time.
15. He'd better_____(get) used to_____(work) harder.
16. Iam capable of_____(stand) on my head and__(play) the saxophone.
17. You'd better_____(start) digging the garden.
18.I expected him_____(pick) up these papers.
19. The Romans were quite happy about Hannibal_____(not attack) Rome.
20. It was interesting__(watch) my cat_____(play).

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Exercise 5: Decide whether the following English verbs are action verbs, state verbs, or can be both action and state verbs.

enjoy _____	play _____	read _____	burn _____
weigh _____	matter _____	feel _____	measure _____
mind _____	contain _____	prefer _____	agree _____
smell _____	look _____	hear _____	worry _____

Exercise 6: Decide whether the following sentences are correct or incorrect.

1. Are they having a wonderful time?
2. I am thinking you are a good person.
3. It is tasting good.
4. You are looking great.
5. He's been working since this morning.
6. He's having a big house.
7. The food tastes good.
8. They are looking at the photo album.
9. They are designing a robot.
10. She is liking him very much.

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Exercise 7: Choose the best answer in brackets to complete the following sentences.

1.Do you_____the answer? (depend on, know, include)
2.Tom_____dessert every day. (has, eats, possesses)
3.I_____good about the race's outcome, (am, were, feel)
4.She_____her father, (imagines, resembles, walks with)
5.Do you_____they will win? (think, involve, promise)
6.They really_____everything you did for them, (include, appreciate, dislike)
7.I think the examiner was_____with my speech, (involved, measured, satisfied)
8.Can you_____the coffee brewing? (feel, smell, dislike)
9.I still_____a lot of money on my student loans, (deserve, owe, involve)
10. You_____more shoes than anyone else I know! (dislike, suppose, have)

Exercise 8: Put the verbs into the present simple or present continuous tense.

1.I_____(know) the answer.
2.The boy_____(look) at the TV now.
3.This cake_____(taste) delicious.
4.My father_____(not, own) a car.
5.I_____(wear) a blue sweater today.
6.Ann_____(seem) a little angry today.
7.Many people_____(do) yoga in the park right now.
8.He_____(think) that English is easy.
9.Kelly_____(love) my brother now.
10. My sister_____(not/talk) on the phone at the moment.

Exercise 9: the verbs in the brackets in the correct form.

1. We have taught our children_____(wash) their hands before_____(eat).
2._____(write) letters is more boring than_(phone).
3. Mark decided_____(have) a break from work.
4.I refused_____(speak) with her.
5.We agreed_____(meet) him at the airport.
6.There is no sense in_____(earn) more money than you can_____(spend).
7.They made us_____(leave) the campsite after_____(make) such a mess.
8.Do you mind_____(work) overtime?
9.She doesn't how____(fry) a steak.
10. The doctor made him_____(promise)__(reduce) his_____(smoke).
11. Don't let them_____(cross) that dangerous road on their own.
12. What about_____(have) a drink?
13. They accused him of_____(break) the window.
14. They'd rather_____(go) to Hue than to Hanoi.
15. There was a very good reason for_____(not believe) in what she said.
16.I don't know what_____(believe) anymore.
17. Remember_____(phone) Sally tomorrow - OK I won't forget.

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18. Most teachers insist on their students_____(do) the homework.

19. Why not_____(spend) our holiday in Da Lat this year?

20. She is always the last person_____(arrive).

Exercise 10: Choose a correct preposition that goes with the verb at the end of the sentence and put them into the gaps.

1. We decided_____the event to another country. It just wouldn't work. (move).

2. Why couldn't you prevent your dog_____my steak? (eat)

3. What are the advantages_____a house (buy)?

4. Forget_____Jenny to come with US. She's with Tom this weekend (ask)

5. To start writing good essays you have to begin_____ideas and sorting them. (collect)

6. She tried to talk me_____to the party with her, but I didn't want to. (come)

7. I must rely_____you_____me the truth, (tell)

8. I am looking forward_my daughter, (see)

9. I can't understand why people don't refrain_____. It's so bad for your health. (smoke)

10. You can't blame me_____the bus. (miss)

11. You have a choice_____with us and_____at home, (come, stay)

12. The firemen prevented the fire_____to the other buildings, (spread)

13. I am not interested_to your stories, (listen)

14. The headmaster gave us the opportunity_____what we had achieved, (explain)

15. Please let me apologize_____so impolite to you. (be)

16. Can you eat an apple_____your hands? (use)

17. Many young girls dream_____a model, (become)

18. We thought_____to another place next month, (move)

19. The young man was charged_____goods over the border, (smuggle)

20. Please concentrate_all the vocabulary in your book, (learn)

21. The teacher insisted_____to my parents, (speak)

22. He thanked us_____him in so late at night .(let)

23. The manager succeeded_____the deal, (make)

24. The group of technicians specialize_____on difficult problems, (work)

25. If I were you I wouldn't brag_____four girls in one week, (date)

Exercise 11: Rewrite the following sentences.

1. You can try to get Jim to lend you his car, but you won't succeed.

There's no point_____.

2. He wished he had invited her to his birthday party.

He regretted_____.

3. Mastering a second language takes time and patience.

It_____.

4. After four years abroad, Mr. Brown returned home as an excellent engineer.

After Mr. Brown_____.

5. It won't be difficult to get a ticket for the game.

You won't have any_____.

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6. Driving on the left is strange and difficult for Americans.

Americans aren't_____.

Exercise 12: Put the verbs into the present simple or present continuous tense depending on whether they are state verbs or action verbs.

1. This soup_____(not/taste) delicious.

2._____(you/love) him?

3. Emily_____(look) lovely in that new dress.

4._____(you/see) what I mean?

5. I_____(think) I'll have a rest; I'm tired.

6. It_____(be) really hot today.

7. She_____(have) a bath every morning.

8. I_____(need) some new clothes for the winter.

9. I'm afraid I_____(not/know) the answer to the question.

10. My children_____(not/believe) in fairy tales.

11. Jenifer_____(see) her daughter next month.

12. My daughter (want) to go the UK for our holidays.

13. Why_____(you/look) at me like that?

14. The waiter_____(taste) the wine for US now.

15. My friends_____(have) a good time at the moment.

16. What_____(you/think) about Susan's new house?

17. Mary_____(not/be) a nurse. She's a doctor.

18. I_____(hope) the weather is good tomorrow.

19. My husband_____(always/taste) the food while I'm cooking!

Exercise 13: Choose the best answer to complete the following sentences.

1. He often helps other people. I_____he is a good man.

A. think **B.** am thinking **C.** have been thinking **D.** had been thinking

2. I_____about this project since last spring.

A. think **B.** am thinking **C.** have been thinking **D.** thought

3. Can you help me, please? I_____for Mr. David's office.

A. look **B.** am looking **C.** have looked **D.** looked

4. Is that Peter over there? He_____old and tired. Is he sick?

A. looks **B.** has looked **C.** has been looking **D.** looked

5. She_____the soup in the kitchen when the telephone rang.

A. has tasted **B.** tasted **C.** was tasting **D.** tastes

6. This soup_____good. 1 really like it.

A. is tasting **B.** tastes **C.** has been tasting **D.** was tasting

7. Could you call a little later? We_____dinner now.

A. are having **B.** have had **C.** had **D.** have

8. She_____him for a long time. They are good friends.

A. knows **B.** had known **C.** has been knowing **D.** has known

9. This bag_____a ton. There are too many books in it.

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A. weighs **B.** is weighing **C.** weighed **D.** has been weighing

10.I_____a little boy in the room. He is sleeping on the sofa.

A. am seeing **B.** saw **C.** see **D.** had seen

Exercise 14: Choose the underlined part that needs correction.

1.While Mike (A) was fixing the car, I (B) was making the supper. By six o'clock I (C) had been working for eight hours, so I (D) was needing a good meal.

2.Simon (A) owns two different houses. He (B) likes to live in his house by the sea when the weather (C) is good, but in the winter he (D) is preferring to live in the city.

3. I (A) don't understand state and action verbs. They (B) seem very confusing. 1 (C) am hating them, because they (D) are driving me crazy!

4.I (A) play tennis every Tuesday. Last week, I (B) was playing (C) with Tom, a man I (D) was knowing from work.

5.When I (A) called Lucy, she (B) watched TV; therefore, she (C) didn't want to come out with me and I (D) went to the pub alone.

Exercise 15: Complete the sentences with the suitable verbs from the box and supply the correct form of these verbs.

look	taste	smell	see	appear	sound	hear	feel

1a. She_____different perfumes as I walked into the cosmetics department.

1b. These roses_____wonderful. Did you grow them yourself?

2a. I_____that there is too big a gap between the rich and the poor.

2b. She says she_____really good at the moment.

3a. Listen! They_____the gong for lunch. We'd better hurry.

3b. I have to say, your plan_____very interesting.

4a. I_____you're getting married.

4b. I thought I_____somebody at the door, but I must have_____things.

5a. She_____wine all yesterday afternoon.

5b. This soup_____delicious.

6a. I will_____him later today. Do you want me to give him a message?

6b. Ah! I_____her now; she's over there by the fountain.

7a. Currently she_____at the Strand Theatre in a play by Strindberg.

7b. He_____to be asleep.

8a. I_____at the newspaper when I came across this article.

8b. Let's see it. Oh yes, it_____rather interesting.

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