

In this part you:

- read six sentences
- rewrite the sentences using the word in capital letters so that your answers have a similar meaning

Useful language *-ing* and *to + infinitive*

- 1 Some verbs are followed by *-ing* and some are followed by *to + infinitive*. Others can be followed by both *-ing* and *to + infinitive* with no change in meaning. Write these verbs under the correct heading.

Tip! You may have to answer questions that test *-ing* or *to + infinitive* in Part 4.

intend like mind refuse promise suggest
 finish pretend offer continue consider tend
 dislike prefer avoid plan decide enjoy
 deny risk fail start practise afford

verbs + <i>-ing</i>	verbs + <i>to + infinitive</i>	verbs + <i>-ing</i> and <i>to + infinitive</i> (no change in meaning)
mind		

- 2 Some verbs can be followed by either *-ing* or *to + infinitive*, but there *is* a change in meaning. Look at sentences 1-5 and try to work out the difference in meaning in each pair, a and b.

- 1 a Jack did some homework and then **stopped to watch** his favourite TV programme.
 b Jack **stopped watching** his favourite TV programme because he needed to do his homework.
- 2 a Even though Maria's lesson had finished, her teacher **went on talking**.
 b Maria's teacher told them all about their new project, and then **went on to talk** about their homework.
- 3 a Why don't you **try taking** lemon and honey for your cough?
 b I **tried not to cough** during the film, but it didn't work!
- 4 a I **need to ask** mum to make an appointment at the hairdresser's for a haircut.
 b My hair really **needs cutting** – it's too long!
- 5 a I **remembered to take** my project to school with me yesterday.
 b I can clearly **remember going** to the seaside for the first time. It was wonderful!



- 3 Underline the correct alternative in italics in each sentence.

- 1 I look forward *to hear* / *to hearing* from you.
 2 I can't wait *to meet* / *to meeting* you.
 3 I am interested *to apply* / *in applying* for the IT web design course.
 4 Thank you for giving me the chance *to suggest* / *of suggesting* new ideas.
 5 The money will be used *in improving* / *to improve* our customer services department.
 6 I am writing this letter *to asking* / *to ask* for more information.