

Put the words in brackets in the correct form: to-infinitive, bare infinitive, or -ing.

Persuasion, as an art, _____ (involve / craft) compelling arguments that fundamentally shift perspectives. For instance, when my friend Tom _____ (consider / relocate) to another city, it was our conversation that _____ (make him / open) his mind to the possibility. While in general he _____ (not mind / visit) other cities, he _____ (never / fancy / move) house. During a recent discussion, I tentatively remarked that it's no good _____ (stick) to old habits if they limit one's potential. To get him _____ (consider) the proposal seriously, I reminded Tom that embracing change often _____ (mean / step) out of one's comfort zone. I didn't mean _____ (offend) him, of course, and quickly clarified that my intention was genuinely supportive. As our conversation deepened, Tom turned to our earlier discussions, saying he _____ (remember / come) back inspired and reinvigorated. He _____ (go on / mention) how he once _____ (used to / work) in a smaller, less challenging environment, an experience he saw as limiting now that he _____ (be used to / hold) a more high-profile job - and claimed he _____ (not regret / make) a career shift. Together, we _____ (consider / move) as an opportunity for growth—personal and professional. I encouraged him by highlighting successful outcomes through change, and we _____ (try / ask) mutual friends about their experiences. Eventually, he _____ (end up / make) the choice and moved to Baltimore.