

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the gerund or infinitive form of the verbs in brackets.

- Our teacher has decided (give) us a quiz tomorrow.
- My favourite sport is (run).
- She couldn't stop (cry) at the end of the film.
- I told you (watch) the dog!
- I don't feel like (take) a walk right now.
- Please help me choose a dress (wear) for the party.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs below, active or passive.

fix • choose • sing • inform • meet • give

- Listen! Can you hear the children in the next room?
- him, I assure you he is perfect for the job.
- I would like of any change in the plan.
- I appreciate your my car so quickly.
- Sorry, I seem the wrong phone number by my assistant.
- I don't recall Mike for the team.

3 Complete the mini-dialogues using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- Kim:** Let's start (build) this bookcase.
Kate: In a minute. I want (read) the instructions first.
- Paul:** I'm exhausted after (sleep) only two hours last night.
Rita: Next time, don't go (camp) on a weekday.
- Ben:** How did you end up (crash) into the wall?
Max: I was trying (park) and I lost control of the car.
- Leo:** How did your parents react to your (become) a vegan?
Amy: They seem (adjust) to my new diet.

4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word given. Sentences must include gerund or infinitive forms.

- The memory of my visit to the pyramids will stay with me forever. (forget)
I will never
- Sophie should be here any minute. (arrive)
I expect
- Matt heard the news before the others. (tell)
Matt was the first
- It was not a waste of time to watch the film. (worth)
The film
- Gina speaks fluent Italian, as she grew up in Rome. (raise)
Gina speaks fluent Italian,
- I'm thankful for receiving a second chance. (give)
I'm thankful

5 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use gerunds or infinitives, active or passive.

The End of Exams?

High school students in Stamford, Connecticut, USA, will not be taking midterm and final exams this year. School officials were concerned about the amount of valuable class time teachers spend (1) (coach) kids for the exams in addition to the three or four days it takes (2) (administer) them. Moreover, many believe it is possible (3) (do) well in the exams without (4) (acquire) an in-depth understanding of the material. In light of these concerns, the city has decided (5) (suspend) midterm and final exams.

The decision has upset many parents, who only learned about it from social media. They are angry at (6) (not consult) before the change was implemented and would like (7) (know) how their children will be assessed instead. Some parents say that unless they actually see their children (8) (study) for exams, they worry that they will not be adequately prepared for university. However, some educators argue that (9) (learn) through projects and presentations will better prepare students for the real world, as opposed to the one-and-done test environment.