

GRAMMAR

-ing forms; Participle clauses

1 Match the beginnings and ends of the sentences.

- 1 Choosing to study English
- 2 I really enjoy
- 3 I learnt how to cook
- 4 I never get anxious
- 5 Falling off my scooter
- 6 Sometimes I'm just not capable of

a was the best decision I ever made.
b from watching my dad.
c didn't hurt as much as you might think.
d about doing exams.
e watching our cats play together.
f making difficult decisions.



2 Write sentences with the words.

- 0 I / learn / how to play this game / by / watch / my brother
I learnt how to play this game by watching my brother.
- 1 Tonya / be / tired of / live / in a small house
- 2 the kids / enjoy / play / in their tree house yesterday
- 3 ride / a bike / is a good way / of / keep / fit
- 4 I / not be / capable of / fix / this computer
- 5 you shouldn't / feel / anxious about / speak / to the class
- 6 by / save / her pocket money / she was able to buy a bike

3 Rewrite the sentences so they start with an -ing form.

- 0 It can be dangerous to jump into the swimming pool.
Jumping into the swimming pool can be dangerous.
- 1 We aren't allowed to run in the corridors.
- 2 It's boring to live in the countryside.
- 3 It's useful to speak another language.
- 4 It's necessary to drive a car to get around here.
- 5 It's cool to hang out with friends at the shopping mall.

4 Rewrite the sentences with a suitable participle to replace the underlined words. You may need to change the word order.

- 0 Simon was listening to music and he didn't hear the phone.
Listening to music, Simon didn't hear the phone.

- 1 When she spoke to Marco, she discovered they went to the same gym.

- 2 On the way home I saw a man who was sleeping on a bench.

- 3 My dad's office, which has no air conditioning, is very hot in the summer.

- 4 I felt embarrassed and I left the room.

- 5 My mobile phone had no power and so didn't work.

- 6 Nuria waited for an hour for Andrea, and she wondered why she was still her friend.

- 7 I looked at all the phones and decided to buy the one which offered the best features.

- 8 Because he didn't understand one question, Eric failed the test.

5 Correct the mistakes in four of the sentences. Which one is correct?

- 1 I'm looking forward to go there.

- 2 Thank you for writing to me.

- 3 Nowadays, to go to work is a bit complicated because of the cars and the busy streets.

- 4 First of all, I think that drive 100 km on Sunday is too far.

- 5 I went out with my friends to celebrate my birthday, after have dinner in a well-known restaurant.



VOCABULARY

Compound adjectives ending in *-ing*

1 Match 1–8 to a–h to make compound adjectives.

1 cost-	_____	a threatening
2 eye-	_____	b catching
3 heart	_____	c consuming
4 life-	_____	d cutting
5 mouth-	_____	e watering
6 record-	_____	f breaking
7 time-	_____	g warming
8 award-	_____	h winning

2 Match the compound adjectives in Exercise 1 to their meanings.

1	causing feelings of pleasure and happiness	_____
2	reducing the amount of money spent	_____
3	taking up many hours	_____
4	better, faster, etc., than anything before	_____
5	causing danger of death	_____
6	looking or smelling as if it is going to taste really good	_____
7	very noticeable	_____
8	having won a prize or prizes for being of high quality	_____

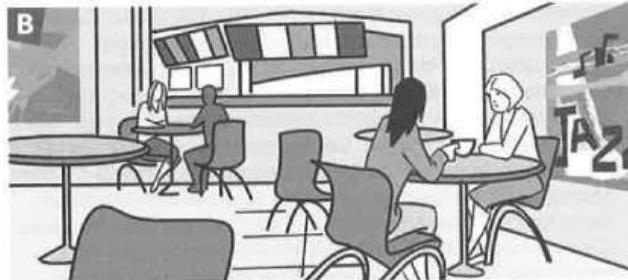
LISTENING

1 You will hear three conversations in which people are talking about places where they used to hang out. Listen and match the conversations to the pictures.

Conversation 1

Conversation 2

Conversation 3



2 Listen again and tick (✓) the correct column in the table.

In this conversation ...

- a someone complains about how the place has changed.
- b they both miss going to the place.
- c someone mentions a sporting event.
- d they disagree about the cost of something.
- e a life-threatening incident is mentioned.
- f they agree that getting there was time-consuming.

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