

Discovery Activity – GERUNDS

Read the following examples and answer the questions:

1. I enjoy **listening** to music while I work.
2. She finished **preparing** the presentation before class.
3. They avoided **talking** about the mistake.
4. He can't stand **waiting** for the bus in the rain.
5. We talked about **going** on vacation together.
6. Thanks for **helping** me with my homework.

Answer these questions

1. What form of the verb you see after: the conjugated verb and the preposition?

Infinitive To + verb	Gerund V+ing	Base form V
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2. Choose 9 verbs or expressions that you think are followed by “gerund” (V + ing)
(see the example sentences)

Decide	Keep	Enjoy	Finish
Help	Can't stand	Feel like	Stop
Worried about	Miss	Excited about	promise

The rule is: We use “gerunds” after some _____ and after any _____

3. Complete these sentences:
 - She **avoided** _____ (**answer**) about personal questions.
 - We **enjoy** _____ (**plan**) trips for our friends.
 - They **finished** _____ (**clean**) about an hour ago.
 - He **can't stand** _____ (**shop**) for long periods of time.
 - She **avoided** _____ (**give**) her opinion about the incident.
 - They **finished** _____ (**organize**) the files **for** the meeting.

4. Tick the correct negative sentence:

- She was worried not being chosen for the job.
- I miss not seeing my classmates every day.