

UNIT 9 VERB PATTERNS

1 GRAMMAR Verb patterns

a Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

- I usually finish to play / playing / play tennis at about nine o'clock.
- We decided not taking / not to take / to not take the next train to Rome.
- He keeps to try / try / trying to learn Portuguese, but he always gives up.
- We wanted see / to see / seeing the movie, but there were no tickets left.
- She promised to not fail / not failing / not to fail any exams this year.
- I don't mind not to take / to not take / not taking a vacation this year, if we can take one next year.
- They learned to speak / speaking / speak English by talking to their grandfather.
- I hope go / to go / going on vacation to Puerto Rico next summer.
- I really enjoy to spend / spend / spending time with my family.
- I worry about to not do / not do / not doing well on the exams, but I always pass.



b Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in the box.

meet get go take snow ~~buy~~ read play

- He promised to buy her a new phone if she got good grades on her exams.
- We decided _____ the bus because the train was a lot more expensive.
- I really enjoy _____ to the theater when I'm in London.
- She expected _____ a good result, but she didn't.
- My sisters and I used to love _____ games on the beach when we were little.
- She's arranged _____ him at the check-in desk at the airport.
- He finished _____ his book and then went to bed.
- It started _____ heavily last night, and now they've closed the airport.

2 VOCABULARY Verbs followed by infinitive / verb + -ing

a Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

forgot avoid regretted seemed agreed
managed ~~arranged~~ recommended disliked
missed refused imagined

- They arranged to meet their friends outside the movie theater at 7:30.
- When we asked the tour guide, he _____ taking a taxi to the beach.
- Because she was shy, she _____ meeting new people at parties.
- She _____ to take her wallet to the restaurant, so her boyfriend had to pay the check.
- Fortunately, the taxi driver _____ to drive us to the airport when we offered him 50 dollars.
- He _____ buying a house by the ocean. He thought it would be wonderful to walk on the beach every day.
- After she moved from the U.S. to Mexico, she really _____ seeing her family in the summer.
- I went to work early this morning because I wanted to _____ driving downtown during rush hour.
- Most of the hotels were full, but in the end we _____ to find a beautiful hotel near the beach.
- When she got bad grades on her exams, she _____ not working harder.
- The hotel receptionist _____ to understand what I was saying because she brought some sandwiches to our room five minutes later.
- He _____ to leave the waiter a tip because the service was so slow.

b Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

- She has avoided / agreed / missed to meet Luke for coffee after work.
- He usually avoids / missed / recommends speaking to his neighbors because he's pretty shy.
- Let's refuse / forget / arrange to have dinner together one night this week.
- I'm sorry, but I managed / forgot / refused to get any bread when I was at the supermarket.
- She regrets / avoids / recommends going to the Alhambra palace in Granada. She says it's beautiful.
- Now that you live in an apartment, do you miss / regret / imagine having a yard?
- I don't want to go to the party, so if they ask me to go with them, I will politely forget / manage / refuse.
- She imagined / disliked / recommended swimming in the ocean because the water was always so cold.
- Our baby seems / manages / refuses to prefer classical music to pop music.
- Did you refuse / manage / seem to get some tickets to the concert? They almost sold out on the first day.