

# The Infinitive / -ing form / Too – Enough

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Listen and repeat. Then act out.

I would like **to buy** a mousetrap, please.

Certainly, sir.

Could you **be** quick, please?  
I have **to catch** a bus.

I'm sorry sir, but I don't like **telling** people lies. This is the biggest trap in the shop, but it won't **catch** a bus.

## The Infinitive

- We use **to infinitive** to express purpose.  
Why did you go to the baker's? **To buy** bread.
- We use **to infinitive** after **want** and **would love/like**.  
I would like **to visit** Madrid.
- We use **to infinitive** after verbs like **know, remember, ask**, etc. when they're followed by question words: **who, what, where** and **how**.  
I know how **to make** an omelette.
- We use **infinitive without to** after modal verbs (can, must, will, etc.)  
He can **dance** but he can't **sing**.

## -ing form

- We use the **-ing form** as a noun.  
I like **swimming**.
- We use the **-ing form** after the verbs: **enjoy, love, hate, like, dislike, look forward to, stop**.  
He enjoys **reading**.
- We use the **-ing form** after **go** for physical activities.  
He goes **fishing** every Sunday.
- We use the **-ing form** after prepositions.  
She's tired **of working** long hours.

## 1 Circle the correct item.

- I love **play** / **playing** football.
- The children want **go** / **to go** to the park.
- You can't **have** / **to have** any sweets now.
- I don't remember how **to get** / **getting** there.
- My brother enjoys **watch** / **watching** TV.
- Please stop **to make** / **making** that noise.
- You must **do** / **doing** your homework.
- We went to the supermarket **to buy** / **buying** some food.
- Patrick goes **to walk** / **walking** every day after work.
- I'd like **to order** / **ordering** a pizza, please.



## 2 Choose the correct item.

- 1 Lisa hates ..... horror films.  
A watch      B to watch      **C watching**
- 2 I can't ..... the guitar.  
A play      B to play      C playing
- 3 We don't want ..... breakfast.  
A eat      B to eat      C eating
- 4 Gary would like ..... to the cinema tonight.  
A go      B to go      C going
- 5 Do you enjoy ..... in the park?  
A walk      B to walk      C walking
- 6 Thank you for ..... me with my homework.  
A helping      B to help      C help
- 7 Mum went to the bank ..... some money.  
A get      B to get      C getting
- 8 We always go ..... in the summer.  
A swim      B to swim      C swimming

## 3 Fill in the gaps with the (to) infinitive form or the -ing form of the verbs.

- 1 You must ... *finish* ... **(finish)** your dinner.
- 2 I would like ..... **(visit)** London.
- 3 Please stop ..... **(talk)** in class.
- 4 My friends love ..... **(go)** to the beach.
- 5 Nick can ..... **(sing)** very well.
- 6 Mum will ..... **(take)** us to the zoo soon.
- 7 Dad enjoys ..... **(work)** in the garden.
- 8 I don't like ..... **(play)** tennis.

## 4 Read the telephone conversation between two friends. Put the verbs in brackets into the to infinitive form or the -ing form.

Kelly: Hey, Marcella! What do you want 1) ..... *to do* ..... **(do)** this weekend?

Marcella: Well, I'd like 2) ..... **(visit)** the exhibition at the National Gallery and go 3) ..... **(shop)** in Oxford Street. What about you?

Kelly: Well, I don't enjoy 4) ..... **(shop)** as much as you do but I want 5) ..... **(see)** the exhibition, too. I might also 6) ..... **(go)** to the gym.

Marcella: Oh, no. I've just remembered I must 7) ..... **(do)** the housework. My cousins are coming over on Sunday afternoon.

Kelly: You must be looking forward to 8) ..... **(see)** them.

Marcella: Oh, yes! I really like 9) ..... **(spend)** time with them. We always have lots of fun together.





## 5 Read the email. Choose the right words and write them on the lines.

Hey Youssef,

In your last email you asked me what I'd like 1) .... *to do* .... in 15 years' time. Well, I don't think I've 2) ..... told you this but I have always wanted to become a doctor. Ever since I can remember, I have enjoyed 3) ..... people. When people in my family have got 4) ..... flu, I usually take care of them. I enjoy making tea and soup for them and I just love 5) ..... them their medicine. I really enjoy programmes like *ER* and *Grey's Anatomy*, which are about doctors 6) ..... hospitals. What about you? What would you like to be when you grow up? Write back soon!

Your friend,

Alexis

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|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| 1 A to do | B do      | C doing   | 4 A the  | B a       | C some   |
| 2 A never | B ever    | C just    | 5 A give | B to give | C giving |
| 3 A help  | B to help | C helping | 6 A but  | B and     | C or     |

## 6 Complete the sentences about yourself. Use the (to) infinitive or the -ing form.

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| 1 I love .... <i>meeting my friends</i> ..... | 4 I would like ..... |
| 2 I hate .....                                | 5 I like .....       |
| 3 I enjoy .....                               | 6 I want .....       |



### Bingo!

Choose six of the activities and circle them. Listen to your teacher. If you hear a box number you have circled, raise your hand and make a sentence using *like*, *love*, *hate*, *don't like* or *enjoy*. If you make a correct sentence, put a cross (X) in that box. When you have crosses (X) in all the boxes you have circled, raise your hand and say 'Bingo!'

	1	2	3	4
A	watch DVDs	go to the cinema	walk the dog	do chores
B	meet friends	tidy room	play football	dust the furniture
C	go shopping	play video games	do homework	surf the Net

Teacher: 2A

Student: I have 2A! I like going to the cinema.

Teacher: Correct! 3B ..., etc.