

## Non-Finite Forms of the Verb

### Grammar Test Paper

Choose the appropriate form of the infinitive.

- 1) Don't worry about him, he is sure (to have) a good time at the moment.
- 2) He is happy (to award) the first Landscape Prize for his picture.
- 3) He must (to read) something funny; he is smiling all the time.
- 4) I am glad (to introduce) to you.
- 5) I meant (to ask) you about it long ago but I had no opportunity.
- 6) The box was (to handle) with care. You should (to ask) somebody (to help) you. This might not (to happen).
- 7) They are supposed (to experiment) in this field for about a year and are believed (to achieve) good results.
- 8) They seemed (to learn) the news; they look excited.
- 9) This poem is easy (to memorise).
- 10) Why (to go) into that matter at all?

Define the non-finite form of the verb (Participle I or Gerund)

- 1) He arrived in Naples and, **having taken** a room at the hotel, wrote a letter to the Hairless Mexican.
- 2) I remember **being taken** for a drive in a foreign country by my father.
- 3) Jane, **sitting** in silence, felt awkward when all around were talking.
- 4) Letters were no use; he had no talent for **expressing** himself on paper.
- 5) Sally kept **talking** all the time.
- 6) She was a great hostess, and **seeing** my embarrassment came up to me and invited me into the garden.
- 7) She was not used to **being spoken to** like that.
- 8) **Sitting** at the empty table made him feel sorry for himself.
- 9) The clerk identified the man as **having arrived** the day before.
- 10) Without **speaking** they went along the street.

**State the type of predicative constructions in the sentences: Complex Subject (CS) or Complex Object (CO).**

1) He appeared to be an ideal home man.	CS	CO
2) He decided to have her meet him.	CS	CO
3) He felt his head trembling slightly with rage.	CS	CO
4) He found her watering some plants.	CS	CO
5) He is sure to be back soon.	CS	CO
6) He wouldn't suffer a word to be spoken about his mother.	CS	CO
7) He was heard saying he was taking lessons on English.	CS	CO
8) He was said to be one of the most promising dancers.	CS	CO
9) His office turned out to be the back streets of the town.	CS	CO
10) I came to get someone to tell me the truth.	CS	CO
11) I chanced to tell him our secret.	CS	CO
12) I saw her going off at this direction about an hour ago.	CS	CO
13) If the door happens to be locked, go through a window.	CS	CO
14) It set her heart leaping.	CS	CO
15) Never once she had been seen to cry.	CS	CO
16) She doesn't seem to want to do anything.	CS	CO
17) Shut up in her room she could be heard crying bitterly.	CS	CO
18) They are perfectly certain to be great friends.	CS	CO
19) They didn't seem to see her.	CS	CO
20) She suffered me to have my own way.	CS	CO

**Insert the preposition before the gerund. Write “-” if a preposition is not required**

- 1) Both windows needed \_\_\_\_\_ cleaning.
- 2) Excuse me \_\_\_\_\_ coming in \_\_\_\_\_ knocking.
- 3) He felt he was going to be accused \_\_\_\_\_ stealing the money.
- 4) He looked at me for a long time \_\_\_\_\_ answering.
- 5) I hated the idea \_\_\_\_\_ your going there alone.
- 6) I suppose nothing is gained \_\_\_\_\_ delaying.
- 7) I thought you had just been blaming me \_\_\_\_\_ being neutral.
- 8) If you don't tell me what's wrong, what's the use \_\_\_\_\_ my being here?
- 9) I'm afraid I won't succeed \_\_\_\_\_ winning the first prize.
- 10) She could not bear \_\_\_\_\_ lying.
- 11) The others insisted \_\_\_\_\_ accompanying them.
- 12) They all objected \_\_\_\_\_ my coming to the party with my sister.
- 13) We wouldn't mind \_\_\_\_\_ going there again.
- 14) We'll look forward \_\_\_\_\_ seeing you and congratulating you \_\_\_\_\_ turning 20.