1.5 Verb + *-ing* or verb + *to*-infinitive?

We use the *-ing* form after these verbs: *can't stand, consider, don't mind, enjoy, hate, like, love, miss, prefer, spend* (time):

*I **hate wearing** a suit and a tie.*

We use the *to*-infinitive after these verbs: *agree, can't afford, choose, decide, hope, manage, need, pretend, refuse, want, would like, would prefer.*

*I **can't afford to buy** this jacket.*

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1 I don't mind _____ (get up) early.
2 Karen spends a lot of time _____ (chat) online.
3 We refuse _____ (eat) meat or fish.
4 I always agree _____ (help) my brother with his homework.
5 They hope _____ (get) a job in the media.
6 I can't stand _____ (wait) in queues.
7 Peter wants _____ (be) like Steve Jobs.
8 Sue has decided _____ (lend) me her new dress.
9 You should avoid _____ (eat) fast food.
10 Does Angela enjoy _____ (work) in a hospital?
11 A lot of people can't afford _____ (eat) in a restaurant every day.
12 I'm considering _____ (become) a volunteer.
13 When are you coming back? I really need _____ (see) you.
14 In the winter I always miss _____ (swim) in the sea.
15 Most of my friends prefer _____ (wear) jeans to sweatpants.
16 I would prefer _____ (stay) at home tonight if you don't mind.
17 Rob really hates _____ (tidy) his room.
18 Amy works for a charity – she loves _____ (help) people in need.
19 We mananged _____ (finish) our project on time.
20 Peter likes _____ (work) in a team.