O INFINITIVE CLAUSES

1. **Định nghĩa mệnh đề nguyên thể:**

- Một mệnh đề nguyên thể có thể chỉ là một nguyên thể hoặc có thêm một tân ngữ hoặc trạng từ.

Ví dụ:

- *A ride on a London bus is the best way to see the city. (Đi xe đạp ở Luân Đôn là cách tốt nhất để ngắm thành phố.)*
- *We need to act quickly. (Ta cần phải hành động nhanh.)*

Chú ý: Trạng từ đôi khi đi trước nguyên thể. So sánh vị trí của *suddenly* trong hai câu sau.

- *I didn't expect you to change your mind **suddenly**. (Tôi không muốn bạn thay đổi suy nghĩ ngay lập tức.)*
- *I didn't expect you **suddenly** to change your mind. (Tôi không muốn bạn đột ngột thay đổi suy nghĩ.)*

2. **Cách dùng**

a. Một mệnh đề nguyên thể có **to** có thể dùng diễn đạt một mục đích, kết quả:

- *Laura has gone to the town to buy some clothes (Laura đến thị trấn để mua đồ áo)*
- *To get a good seat, you need to arrive early (Để có một chỗ ngồi đẹp, bạn cần phải đến sớm)*

b. Mệnh đề nguyên thể dùng để rút gọn mệnh đề quan hệ

- khi đứng trước cụm danh từ chứa số thứ tự (the first, the second,...), so sánh nhất (the best, the most beautiful, ...) và next (tiếp theo), last (cuối cùng), và only (duy nhất).

+ *Ethan is usually the last person to understand the joke.*
  (Ethan thường là người cuối cùng hiểu câu chuyện cười/ lời nói đùa.)
+ *John was the last person that got the news.*
  => John was the last person to get the news.

Exercise 1: Choose the correct answer

1. My father usually helps me_____ English.

a. to learn b. learn c. learning d. both a and b

2. He was heard_____ shout.

a. to b. of c. by d. at

3. This student expected_____ the first winner of the Grand Prix.

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a. be b. being c. to be d. will be

4. I told her_____ about her wedding; everything will straighten out.

a. Don't worry b. not to worry c. no worry d. not worry

5. May I suggest you let_____

a. Mary doing so b. Mary do so c. Mary does to d. Mary to do so

6. She_____ him when he called her.

a. pretended not hear b. pretended she heard not

c. pretended not to hear d. did not pretend hear

7. The doctor advised_____ late.

a. me not staying up b. me not stay up

c. me not to stay up d. I did not stay up

8. The school superintendent told me_____

a. hurrying up b. to hurry up c. hurry up d. hurried up

9. "_____us face the enemies", shouted the soldiers.

a. Make b. Let c. Leave d. Keep

10. Mr. Brown told the schoolgirls_____ in class.

a. don't eat b. not to eat c. eat not d. not eat

11. I have heard Dang Thai Son_____ the piano.

a. played b. plays c. play d. to play

12. The young teachers wanted a Foreign Language Teaching workshop _____ in Ho Chi Minh City.

a. to be holding b. should hold c. to be held d. to hold

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13. _____able to take part in the international math contest two years from now, Son works very hard in his math lass.

a. In order to be b. Being c. Been d. So that he be

14. Try_____ so many mistakes.

a. not to make b. not make c. to make not d. make not

15. Let me_____ from you soon.

a. to hear b. hear c. hearing d. heard

16. John is too stupid_____ understand this.

a. to b. not to c. to not d. for

17. The wind is_____ to blow the roof off.

a. strong enough b. too strong c. quiet strong d. very strong

18. My father is _____ to stay up late.

a. too tired b. enough tired c. tired enough d. so tired

19. John wanted me_____ him.

a. to be helping b. help c. to help d. I help

20. I want_____ early tomorrow morning.

a. to leave b. leaving c. me leave d. me leaving

Exercise 2. Choose the correct answer.

1. I do not have enough money _____ this book.
A. buy B. to buy C. buying D. bought
2. It is no use _____ to school if you _____ to work hard.
A. going / do not ready B. to go / do not ready
C. going / are not ready D. go / are not ready
3. They spent all day _____ and _____ on the beach.
A. to swim / sunbathing B. to swim / to sunbathe
C. swimming / to sunbathe D. swimming / sunbathing

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4. We were made _____ all the cleaning in the house.
A. to do B. do C. doing D. done
5. We regret _____ you that you have exceeded your overdraft facility.
A. to inform B. informing C. to tell to D. telling
6. Why don't you try _____ the key anti-clockwise?
A. to turn B. on turning C. turning D. turn
7. We don't allow _____ in the classrooms.
A. that students smoke B. smoke
C. students to smoke D. to smoking
8. I really must _____ on with my work now.
A. to get B. getting
C. get D. to getting
9. Why don't you do what you're told, instead of _____ such a song and dance about it?
A. to make B. making C. made D. make
10. I rashly posted the parcel without _____ it.
A. weighing B. weigh C. weighed D. to weigh

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