Language focus: Verbs followed by other verbs

Foundation

1 For each of the examples below, complete the verb pattern rule. Remember, verbs can be followed by the *-ing* form, an infinitive verb or an infinitive verb + noun.

A The doctor **encourages having** a healthy lifestyle.

OR The doctor **encourages his patients** to have a healthy lifestyle.

These verbs can be followed by .....

OR ..... + ...

B He **prefers drinking** fruit juice.

OR He **prefers to drink** fruit juice.

These verbs can be followed by .....

OR ....., with no difference in meaning.

C We **stopped having** a break during our matches.

OR We **stopped to have** a break during the match.

These verbs can be followed by .....

OR ....., but the meaning changes.

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