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Music to my ears

G gerunds and infinitives **V** music **P** words from other languages

Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent.
Victor Hugo, poet, novelist, and dramatist

1 GRAMMAR gerunds and infinitives

a Circle a, b, or c.



- 1 Mia learned ____ the guitar when she was a teenager.
a play b **(to play)** c playing
- 2 I don't mind ____ if you tell me which way to go.
a drive b to drive c driving
- 3 I must ____ to some of their songs before I go to the concert.
a listen b to listen c listening
- 4 Our teacher makes us ____ a lot of homework.
a do b to do c doing
- 5 Tom's doctor suggested ____ a specialist about his back.
a see b to see c seeing
- 6 We'd like ____ our bill now as we're leaving early tomorrow.
a pay b to pay c paying
- 7 My girlfriend is very possessive. She doesn't let me ____ with my friends any more.
a go out b to go out c going out
- 8 The man denied ____ the laptop from my bag.
a steal b to steal c stealing
- 9 Kim expects ____ her exam results on Friday.
a get b to get c getting
- 10 I've given up ____ to the gym. It was too boring.
a go b to go c going
- 11 I can't imagine ____ at 5.30 every morning.
a get up b to get up c getting up
- 12 My son managed ____ his driving test although he was really nervous.
a pass b to pass c passing

b Complete the sentences with the infinitive or gerund of the verb in brackets.

- 1 I remembered **to buy** ____ milk, but I didn't get any bread! (buy)
- 2 If you can't sleep at night, try ____ for a while. (read)
- 3 My sister is trying ____ a new job – she doesn't get on with her boss. (find)
- 4 We need ____ a plumber because the shower's broken. (call)
- 5 That shirt needs ____ if you want to wear it tonight. (iron)
- 6 Laura forgot ____ her mother a birthday card. (send)
- 7 I'll never forget ____ my best friend for the first time. (meet)
- 8 I remember ____ the apple tree when I was a child. (climb)



c Complete the questions with the infinitive or gerund of a verb from the list.

add download go learn
listen to see take want

- 1 What's the first song or album you remember downloading?
- 2 Which song always makes you _____ to dance?
- 3 Which artist or band would you most like _____ in concert?
- 4 Have you ever tried _____ an instrument? Which one?
- 5 Are there any songs you like at the moment that need _____ to your playlist?
- 6 What kind of music do you avoid _____ if you can?
- 7 Have you ever forgotten _____ your tickets to a concert? If so, what happened?
- 8 Would you rather _____ to a small concert or a large music festival? Why?

d Answer the questions in c about you.

1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____
7 _____
8 _____

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2 VOCABULARY & PRONUNCIATION

music; words from other languages

a Complete the crossword.

