

Smart Readers



Name: _____ Grade _____

remember

GERUND	INFINITIVE
looks back in the past	looks into the future
I remember switching off the lights when I went on holiday.	Remember to switch off the lights when you go on holiday.

Daniel **remembers** _____ (buy) him a present.
 Make sure you **remember** _____ (pick up some eggs at the supermarket).
 Zamara **remembers** _____ (live) in Italy like it was yesterday.
 My husband was happy that I **remembered** _____ (pay) the bills on time last month.
 Finally, Andrew **remembered** _____ (bring) your book! Here it is.
 Do you **remember** _____ (eat) steak in that little restaurant in Rome?
 Sara **remembers** _____ (go) to the beach as a child.

forget

GERUND	INFINITIVE
looks back in the past	looks into the future
He'll never forget spending so much money on his first computer.	Don't forget to spend money on the tickets.

She didn't recognize him at all. She **forgot** _____ (meet) him last summer.
 She **forgot** _____ (meet) her client for lunch, so she got an angry phone call from him later.
 Oh no! I **forgot** _____ (buy) milk.
 I **forgot** _____ (lock) the door, but I'm sure I must have locked it.
 Have we studied this before? I've **forgotten** _____ (learn) it.
 Isabella forgot _____ (lock) the door before she left her home.

try

GERUND	INFINITIVE
to test sth.	to do sth. that is not easy
I tried taking an aspirin but it didn't help.	Try to be quiet when you come home late.

She **tried** _____ (learn) French, but she gave up after a few months
 She **tried** _____ (get) into the club, but she got ID'd
 She **tried** _____ (reach) the book on the high shelf but she was too small.
 They **tried** _____ (get) to the party on time but the bus was delayed.
 I think you should **try** _____ (save) some money this month.

mean

GERUND	INFINITIVE
sth. has to be done to get a result	intend to do sth.
You have forgotten your homework again. That means phoning your mother.	I meant to phone your mother, but my mobile didn't work.

I didn't **mean** _____ (hurt) you.
I **meant** _____ (phone) your mother, but your mobile didn't work
Being a doctor **means** _____ (work) long hours
Being a teacher **means** _____ (be) patience with kids
Being a judge **means** _____ (hurt) some people.

stop

GERUND	INFINITIVE
to stop with an activity	to stop in order to do sth.
I stopped smoking .	I stopped to smoke .

I **stopped** _____ (smoke) cigarettes.
You should **stop** _____ (complain) about money all the time.
Can you **stop** _____ (look) at social media? We have a big test tomorrow.
You should **stop** _____ (smoke), it's not good for your health.
We **stopped** _____ (study) because we were tired.
They will **stop** _____ (have) lunch at twelve.
We **stopped** _____ (have) a rest because we were really

regret

GERUND	INFINITIVE
you did sth in the past and you are not happy about it	to tell bad news and you are not happy about it
I regret being late for school.	We regret to inform you that the flight has been delayed for another two hours.

I **regret** _____ (tell) you the bad news
They **regret** _____ (inform) us that we've lost all our money!
Juan Daniel **regrets** _____ (move) to Chicago.
David **regrets** _____ (fall) in love with Tim.
Juan **regrets** _____ (tell) you the train has been delayed.
Diana **regrets** _____ (tell) Julie my secret. Now she has told everyone.
We **regret** _____ (inform) you that your flight has been cancelled.



Infinitive or Gerund Quiz

Test your understanding of these differences in meaning by deciding whether the verb should be used in the infinitive or gerund form based on the clues provided:

1. Jack remembers _____ (buy) eggs at the supermarket because he always takes a list.
2. Jason stopped _____ (play) the piano at six because it was time for dinner.
3. I certainly didn't forget _____ (ask) him the question because he's already given me his answer.
4. Janice stopped _____ (make) a telephone call before she continued with her shopping.
5. What's the worst thing you regret _____ (do) in your life?
6. Have you ever forgotten _____ (get) a present for your wife on your anniversary?
7. Alan stopped _____ (drink) years ago because of a serious liver problem.
8. I regret _____ (tell) you that we are going out of business next month.
9. I remember _____ (play) football when I was in high school. Unfortunately, I didn't play much during the games.
10. I don't think I'll ever regret _____ (fall) in love with my wife. We've been married for over thirty years!