

## Verb patterns: the infinitive and the -ing form

### 1 ★ Choose the correct forms to complete the sentences.

- 1 Do you mind *to wait / waiting* for a few minutes?
- 2 I've decided *to study / studying* Physics in Edinburgh.
- 3 Have you finished *to read / reading* the report I gave you?
- 4 To learn a language, you have to practise *to speak / speaking*.
- 5 I promise *to be / being* more careful in the future.
- 6 Did you manage *to see / seeing* anything through the microscope?
- 7 I don't usually enjoy *to do / doing* experiments but today's was fun.
- 8 Would you like *to eat / eating* before the film or afterwards?

### 2 ★ Match the two parts of the sentences.

- A**
- 1  I can't stand      **a** to study Physics at university.
  - 2  I hope              **b** study Maths at university.
  - 3  I might              **c** studying Chemistry.
- B**
- 1  You must            **a** to do the ironing.
  - 2  You've finished    **b** do the dishes.
  - 3  You promised      **c** doing your homework.
- C**
- 1  Did you manage    **a** finishing the project?
  - 2  Should I             **b** to finish the project?
  - 3  Do you mind        **c** finish the project?

### 4 ★ Choose the correct forms to complete the sentences.

- 1 I continued \_\_\_ after we were told to stop because I was in the middle of a sentence.  
**a** writing      **b** write      **c** to write
- 2 The students have learned \_\_\_ different planets and stars in the sky.  
**a** identifying    **b** to identify    **c** identify
- 3 Mr Collins avoided \_\_\_ experiments after he caused a small explosion.  
**a** do              **b** to do            **c** doing
- 4 Why did you give up \_\_\_? You were really good.  
**a** swimming    **b** swim            **c** to swim
- 5 Never stop \_\_\_ to protect wildlife.  
**a** try              **b** to try            **c** trying
- 6 I don't mind \_\_\_ tests but we shouldn't have so many.  
**a** do              **b** to do            **c** doing