UNIT 9 VERB PATTERNS

1 GRAMMAR Verb patterns

a Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 I usually finish *to play / playing / play* tennis at about nine o'clock.
2 We decided *not taking / not to take / to not take* the next train to Rome.
3 He keeps *to try / try / trying* to learn Portuguese, but he always gives up.
4 We wanted *see / to see / seeing* the movie, but there were no tickets left.
5 She promised *to not fail / not failing / not to fail* any exams this year.
6 I don't mind *not to take / to not take / not taking* a vacation this year, if we can take one next year.
7 They learned *to speak / speaking / speak* English by talking to their grandfather.
8 I hope *go / to go / going* on vacation to Puerto Rico next summer.
9 I really enjoy *to spend / spend / spending* time with my family.
10 I worry about *to not do / not do / not doing* well on the exams, but I always pass.

b Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in the box.

meet get go take snow ~~buy~~ read play

1 He promised to buy her a new phone if she got good grades on her exams.
2 We decided _____ the bus because the train was a lot more expensive.
3 I really enjoy _____ to the theater when I'm in London.
4 She expected _____ a good result, but she didn't.
5 My sisters and I used to love _____ games on the beach when we were little.
6 She's arranged _____ him at the check-in desk at the airport.
7 He finished _____ his book and then went to bed.
8 It started _____ heavily last night, and now they've closed the airport.

2 VOCABULARY Verbs followed by infinitive / verb + -*ing*

a Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

forgot avoid regretted seemed agreed
managed ~~arranged~~ recommended disliked
missed refused imagined

1 They arranged to meet their friends outside the movie theater at 7:30.
2 When we asked the tour guide, he _____ taking a taxi to the beach.
3 Because she was shy, she _____ meeting new people at parties.
4 She _____ to take her wallet to the restaurant, so her boyfriend had to pay the check.
5 Fortunately, the taxi driver _____ to drive us to the airport when we offered him 50 dollars.
6 He _____ buying a house by the ocean. He thought it would be wonderful to walk on the beach every day.
7 After she moved from the U.S. to Mexico, she really _____ seeing her family in the summer.
8 I went to work early this morning because I wanted to _____ driving downtown during rush hour.
9 Most of the hotels were full, but in the end we _____ to find a beautiful hotel near the beach.
10 When she got bad grades on her exams, she _____ not working harder.
11 The hotel receptionist _____ to understand what I was saying because she brought some sandwiches to our room five minutes later.
12 He _____ to leave the waiter a tip because the service was so slow.

b Underline the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 She has *avoided / agreed / missed* to meet Luke for coffee after work.
2 He usually *avoids / missed / recommends* speaking to his neighbors because he's pretty shy.
3 Let's *refuse / forget / arrange* to have dinner together one night this week.
4 I'm sorry, but I *managed / forgot / refused* to get any bread when I was at the supermarket.
5 She *regrets / avoids / recommends* going to the Alhambra palace in Granada. She says it's beautiful.
6 Now that you live in an apartment, do you *miss / regret / imagine* having a yard?
7 I don't want to go to the party, so if they ask me to go with them, I will politely *forget / manage / refuse*.
8 She *imagined / disliked / recommended* swimming in the ocean because the water was always so cold.
9 Our baby *seems / manages / refuses* to prefer classical music to pop music.
10 Did you *refuse / manage / seem* to get some tickets to the concert? They almost sold out on the first day.

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