2 GRAMMAR verb + *to* + infinitive

a Match the phrases to make sentences from Stef's blog. Which word is missing?

I decided ____	save some money.
I needed ____	play the guitar.
Learn ____	go to Australia.

11B verb + *to* + infinitive

1 I **want to travel** for six months. 11.6
She **decided to go** to Australia.
You **need to practise** every day.
When did you **learn to play** the guitar?

2 **Would you like to go** to Africa?
I wouldn't like to be famous.

would like* and *like

I'd like to dance. = I want to dance.

I like dancing. = I enjoy it; I like it in general.

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1 Many verbs are often followed by another verb in the infinitive with *to*. These include *want, need, learn, promise, decide, plan, choose, try, remember, forget,* and *hope.*

2 *I would like to* = *I want to* (now or in the future). *would like* is also followed by *to* + infinitive.

- **Contractions:** *'d = would. wouldn't = would not.*
- We can also use *Would you like...?* to offer, e.g. *Would you like a drink?*
- *would like* is the same for all persons.

11B

a Complete the sentences with *to* + a verb from the list.

be buy call climb drive get married go
have leave see stay

Sam loves Africa. He wants *to climb* Mount Kilimanjaro.

1 I learned _____ a car when I was 17.
2 Our fridge is broken. We need _____ a new one.
3 I wouldn't like _____ famous. I'm happy as I am.
4 He promised _____ his girlfriend when he got home.
5 The weather was terrible. We decided _____ at home.
6 The boss would like _____ you in his office.
7 They're planning _____. They're looking for a venue.
8 I hope _____ time to see the sights when I'm in Moscow next week.
9 Would you like _____ on a safari?
10 I'm really enjoying the party. I don't want _____.

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b Circle the correct form.

I hate *fly* / *flying* so I usually travel by train.

1 Would you like *to have* / *have* dinner with me tonight?
2 My grandmother learned *to speak* / *speaking* Spanish when she was 60!
3 I'd like *to travel* / *travelling* around Europe.
4 I like *relax* / *relaxing* at the weekend.
5 Do you want *to play* / *playing* football?
6 He's hoping *to get* / *getting* the results of his test next week.
7 Most people hate *to go* / *going* to the dentist.
8 I love *to read* / *reading* detective stories.
9 It's cold. You need *to wear* / *wearing* a coat.
10 My mum doesn't mind *to cook* / *cooking*.

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