



English: 2Bac (All Streams)

Unit 1 (Youth: Potential and Challenges)

Grammar : Gerund or infinitive

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I- Course

1-1/ Introduction

To infinitive:	to swim	to go	to have	to study	to be	...etc
Infinitive	swim	go	have	study	be	...etc
Gerund	swimming	going	having	studying	being	...etc

1-2/ Gerund

Uses	Examples
<u>1) Subject :</u> At the beginning of a sentence.	• Dancing is fun. • Smoking destroys health. • Chatting wastes time.
<u>2) After Prepositions :</u>	• I am interested in understanding this lesson,

in, on, at, of, for, with, without, before, after, by, about	• Instead of studying for her exam, she went out.
<u>3) After Verbs :</u> enjoy, avoid, keep, mind, miss, practice, suggest, imagine, finish, waste, postpone, discuss, spend.	• I enjoy watching football on TV. • She suggested going to the beach.
<u>4) After Expressions:</u> It's no use / It's no good / It's not worth can't help / can't stand / can't resist look forward to / long for be busy, be used to, feel like.	• I can't stand studying in a noisy place. • He is used to living alone.

1-3/ To infinitive

Uses	Examples
<u>1) After Adjectives :</u> happy, good, bad, difficult, easy, nice, important, possible, dangerous...etc	• This lesson is easy to understand. • It is important to revise your lessons. • I'm happy to be here today.
<u>2) After Verbs :</u> agree, appear / seem, decide, hope, learn, offer, plan / intend, tell, advise, ask, encourage, choose, expect, need / want, promise, refuse.	• They decided to buy a new house. • She agreed to marry him • He wants to be an engineer.
<u>3) After Expressions :</u> would like, can afford, how, what	• I would like to visit New York one day. • I have only 30.000 DH, I can't afford to buy a new car.

1-4/ Infinitive

Uses	Examples
<u>1) After Modals :</u>	• We must respect each other. • I may meet my friends this

can, could, will, shall, should, may, might, must, have to, has to, had to, needn't, had better, ought to	evening.
<u>2)After Verbs and expressions :</u> help, recommend, let's, let, would rather, used to	• Let's go to the cinema next weekend. • I used to play football every day.

1-5/ Gerund = To infinitive

begin, start, like, love, prefer, hate, continue...

- She started studying English.
- She started to study English.
- I like watching films at the cinema.
- I like to watch films at the cinema.

1-6/ Gerund Vs To infinitive

Example 1

1. He stopped smoking. (The man was a smoker before but now he isn't any more.)
2. He stopped to smoke. (The man was doing something and he stopped it because he wanted to smoke.)

Example 2

1. Don't forget to meet her tomorrow. (You should meet her tomorrow.)
2. I'll never forget meeting her for the first time. (I'll never forget what happened when I met her for the first time.)

II- Practice 1

Write the verbs between brackets in the correct form :

1. She has a bad stomach-ache . She had better (see) _____ a doctor.
2. The teacher asked the student to be quiet, but he kept on (talk) _____ .
3. We might (travel) _____ somewhere next weekend.
4. They used to (live) _____ in Casablanca. Now they live in Marrakech
5. I think he would like (stay) _____ with us.
6. I started (collect) _____ stamps many years ago.
7. It's no good (explain) _____ a lesson again if all students

understood it.

8. My grandfather can't stand (live) _____ in a noisy area.
9. They enjoy (spend) _____ their holidays in Spain.
10. Would you mind (be) _____ quiet ?

III- Practice 2

Write the verbs between brackets in the correct form :

1. They decided (travel) _____ to Spain this summer.
2. We must (give) _____ youths equal opportunities for education.
3. My little brother is good at (play) _____ computer games.
4. This exercise is easy (do) _____ .
5. Yesterday I was driving home. When i saw the accident, I stopped (see) _____ what was happening.
6. Nada must prepare for her exams. So, she stopped (chat) _____ with her friends.
7. "Can you show me how (use) _____ this mobile ?" Karim asked his friend.
8. (read) _____ is my favourite hobby.
9. Your computer is good. It's no use (buy) _____ a new one.
10. "Would you like (watch) _____ a movie with me ?" Sara told her friend.

IV- Previous National Exams items on Gerund and Infinitive

- 1) Would you mind _____ the boss tomorrow.
(call - calling - to call)
- 2) Oliver enjoys _____ to rap music.
(to listen - listen - listening)
- 3) Stephanie stopped _____ when she realised that she had breathing problems.
(smoke - smoking - smoked)
- 4) Latifa will join us for dinner when she finishes _____ the baby.
(feeding - feed - to feed)
- 5) Do you enjoy _____ mysteries or science fiction books?
(read - reading - to read)
- 6) Jamal _____ do part time jobs when he was a student.
(was used to - used to -used)
- 7) Hassan is looking forward to _____ the new car he has just ordered.
(drive - driving - has driven)

8) You've lost too much weight, you'd better _____ a doctor.

(see - seeing - to see)

9) Try to avoid _____ food that contains too much fat.

(to eat - eating - eat)

10) My aunt promised _____ me when she gets to Amsterdam.

(calling - to call - call)

11) Don't forget _____ me a call when you get home.

(to give - giving - give)