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If you decide not to purchase your Alison Certificate, you can still demonstrate your achievement by sharing your Learner Record or Learner Achievement Verification, both of which are accessible from your Dashboard. For more details on our Certificate pricing, please visit our Pricing Page. For each question, type in the correct form (gerund or infinitive) of the verb in parentheses. I considered (learn) French, but it was too difficult. It was interesting (read) about Tarzan. I had no problem (understand) the text. Did you ask about (use) the tennis court? The teacher wouldn't allow me (leave) the room during the test. I asked her to let me (go) home. I'm looking forward to (see) my family again. I was working hard until 12, then I stopped (have) my lunch. As soon as the exam was over, I stopped (worry). I asked him to stop, but he kept on (hit) me! Home > English grammar and vocabulary exercises > Intermediate exercises (1) > English grammar practice exercise, for pre-intermediate and intermediate level. In this exercise you will practise the verb structures verb + to + infinitive and verb + gerund. We use to + infinitive after certain verbs, including agree, arrange, decide, offer, seem, plan, want, need, promise, hope, refuse. I have decided to lend him the car.He offered to help me.He promised not to say anything. We also use to + infinitive after these structures: ask someone to, tell him to, want her to, etc. He told me to go there.She asked me to help her. We use a verb in its -ing form after certain verbs, including avoid, admit, can't stand, deny, dislike, enjoy, hate, like, love, mind and practise. I enjoy going to the cinema.I don't like living in a city. The -ing form is used after prepositions. I'm looking forward to seeing you.He insisted on seeing the shop manager. Put the verb in brackets into the correct form (either the infinitive or gerund form). Gerunds are the -ing form of a verb, and infinitives are the to + base form. These words can be confusing; they combine the meaning of a verb with the grammar of a noun. My father asked me to phone him. I enjoy talking with my father. So, how is 'to phone' like a noun? Imagine the first sentence said: My father asked me a question. You can see how a question and to phone have the same grammatical role. Similarly, you could replace 'talking' with the noun conversation. Using gerunds and infinitives correctly with verbs can be difficult because some verbs go with only the infinitive or only the gerund, and others can go with either one. I enjoy going to the movies. (enjoy + -ing form only) Jason wants to visit a museum on Friday. (want + infinitive form only) Tony likes eating at restaurants. Tony likes to eat at restaurants. (like + either -ing or infinitive form) Another difficulty is that sometimes choosing the infinitive or the gerund will change the meaning of the sentence. Mary stopped eating at six. (Mary was eating, and at six o'clock, she stopped.) Mary stopped to eat at six. (Mary was walking home, and at six o'clock she stopped walking and went into a café to eat.) The best way to learn which verbs take infinitives, gerunds, or both, is to notice them in context when you read, or to consult grammar references. Here are some of the most common verbs: Followed by a gerund (-ing form) admit, advise, consider, discuss, dislike, dread, enjoy, finish, mind, practise, recommend, suggest Followed by an infinitive agree, appear, choose, decide, expect, fail, hope, learn, need, refuse, seem, wait, want Followed by either, usually with no change in meaning begin, continue, hate, like, love, prefer, start Followed by either, with a change in meaning stop, regret, remember, forget, go on, try Stop When 'stop' is followed by the gerund, the verb in the gerund stops. I've stopped buying coffee - it's too expensive. I've stopped smoking - it's bad for my health. When 'stop' is followed by the infinitive, we stop something else in order to do the verb in the infinitive. I stopped to buy a coffee on the way into work this morning. (I stopped walking in order to buy a coffee.) I stopped to have a cigarette (I stopped working in order to have a cigarette.) Regret When 'regret' is followed by the gerund you feel sorry about something you did - or didn't do - in the past. I regret telling you I was going to enter that singing competition! You'll regret not finishing university. When 'regret' is followed by the infinitive, you regret something you are about to say. Often used in formal, written English with verbs 'tell', 'say' and 'inform'. We regret to inform you that your application has not been successful. Go on When 'go on' is followed by the gerund, the activity in the gerund continues. She went on talking about verbs for hours - she didn't stop! (She continued talking.) I can't go on living in this tiny house. When 'go on' is followed by the infinitive, one action finishes and another and another action starts. This is often the next stage in a process. After talking about verbs she went on to tell a joke. (She changed activity.) After finishing his novel, he went on to direct a couple of plays. Remember/forget When 'remember' or 'forget' are followed by the gerund it means you forget or remember something you have done. I still remember being nervous on my first day of school. I'll never forget seeing his face When 'remember' or 'forget' is followed by the infinitive, there is something you need to do and you remember or forget to do it. I forgot to bring my lunch today. Remember to call your mother tonight! B2 Gerunds and infinitives is an exercise at an upper intermediate level of English which focuses on vocabulary and grammar. It is good practice for Part 4 of the Reading and Use of English section the Cambridge B2 First Exam.B2 Gerunds and infinitivesEspecially helpful are exercises that are focussed on a theme or topic as these provide word retention practise so you can be confident to read, write, speak and listen successfully.B2 First Use of English and Reading SectionYou need to be able to understand a range of texts, including how they are organised and the opinions and attitudes expressed in them. The texts will be from sources familiar to you, such as magazines, articles, fiction and advertisements, but targeted at the interests of students.Students' use of English will be tested by tasks which show how well they can control their grammar and vocabulary. B2 First Writing SectionYou are required to produce two pieces of writing. The first piece is compulsory and will be an essay of 140-190 words. For the second, you can choose from an article, email/letter, essay, review or report (B2 First for schools the report is replaced with a story) of 140-190 words.B2 First Listening and Speaking SectionRequires being able to follow and understand a range of familiar spoken materials, such as news programmes, public announcements and other sources, but targeted at the interests of the learners. In this part, you talk about two photos on your own which you have to compare for about 1 minute. After you have finished, your partner will be asked a short question about your photo. When your partner has spoken about their photos for about 1 minute, you will be asked a question about their photos.B2 Speaking Part 2 Exercise 1In this part you express ideas with your partner by looking at a discussion point that the examiner gives you.This will be available soon.In this part, you focus on general aspects of a topic with the examiner or you may involve your partner.This will be available soon. 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