

VERBS THAT TAKE INFINITIVE OBJECTS

advise	desire	instruct	require
agree	determine	intend	resolve
appear	elect	invite	say
arrange	encourage	know how	seem
ask	endeavor	learn	struggle
authorize	expect	long	swear
beg	fail	manage	teach
care	forbid	need	tell
cause	force	oblige	tend
challenge	get	offer	threaten
claim	give permission	order	train
come	guarantee	permit	urge
command	happen	persuade	volunteer
consent	have permission	plan	wait
convince	help	prepare	want
dare	hesitate	pretend	warn
decide	hire	promise	wish
decline	hope	refuse	would like
demand	hurry	remind	
deserve	incline	request	

VERBS THAT TAKE GERUND OBJECTS

acknowledge	describe	insist on	talk about
adapt to	detest	involve	think about
adjust to	disapprove of	justify	tolerate
admit to	discontinue	keep (=continue)	understand
adore	discourage from	lead to	waste time
agree on	discuss	look forward to	
anticipate	dislike	mention	
apologize for	dream about	mean (=involve)	
appreciate	end in	mind (don't mind)	
approve of	endure	miss (don't miss)	
argue about	engage in	object to	
ask about	enjoy	omit	
avoid	escape	postpone	
believe in	evade	practice	
blame for	excuse	prevent	
can't help	favor	prohibit	
can/can't resist	fear	put off	
care about	feel like	quit	
carry on	finish	recall	
celebrate	forgive for	recollect	
complain about	get accustomed to	recommend	
complete	get through	regret	
concentrate on	get used to	remain	
confess	give up	report	
consider	have a good time	resent	
consist of	have a bad time	resist	
contemplate	have a hard time	result in	
decide on	have fun	resume	
defend	have problems	risk	
delay	have difficulties	spend time	
deny	help with	suggest	
depend on	imagine	take turns	

VERBS THAT TAKE INFINITIVE OR GERUND OBJECTS

afford	cease	hate	regret
allow	choose	like	remember
attempt	continue	love	start
begin	dread	mean	stop
can/can't bear	forget	neglect	try
can't stand	go	prefer	

COMMON ADJECTIVE PHRASES THAT TAKE INFINITIVE OBJECTS

be able	It's polite
be determined	It's satisfying
be fortunate	It's the place
be happy	It's the time
be ready	It's usual
be reluctant	the first, the second, the last
It's acceptable	

Adjectives that are NOT followed by a preposition usually take infinitive objects when complemented by a verbal phrase.

COMMON ADJECTIVE PHRASES THAT TAKE GERUND OBJECTS

be accustomed to	be familiar with	be nervous about	be tired of
be afraid of	be famous for	be opposed to	be tolerant of
be angry about	be glad about	be perfect for	be uncertain about
be annoyed about	be good at	be pleased about	be uneasy about
be ashamed of	be happy about	be proud of	be upset about
be capable of	be incapable of	be responsible for	be used to
be certain of/about	be in favor of	be right about	be worried about
be committed to	be interested in	be sad about	be wrong about
be concerned with	be involved with/in	be sick of	
be critical of	be jealous of	be successful in	
be discouraged from	be known for	be suitable for	
be enthusiastic about	be limited to	be thankful for	

Adjective phrases that include a preposition ALWAYS take gerund objects when complemented by a verbal phrase.