

## -ing

Some verbs are sometimes followed by -ing.

He enjoys **making** other people laugh.

These include: admit

admit avoid deny discuss feel like finish give up mention

mind practise

suggest take up

### • Helpful hints

After a preposition, we usually use -ing.

✓ I'm afraid of flying.



- Some phrases end in the preposition to. These are also followed by -ing, not an infinitive.
   ✓ I look forward to hearing from you.

  X Llook forward to hear from you.
- We can also use the -ing form as the subject of a sentence.
   Cooking is great fun!

## Infinitive

Some verbs are sometimes followed by the full infinitive. I decided to apologise to Emma.

These include: advise afford

agree

choose decide

expect

help hope invite

dislike

enjoy

learn manage

offer

plan pretend

promise

refuse seem

teach

tell want would like

Some verbs are usually followed by an object + bare infinitive (without to). These include: let

make



- Make in the passive is followed by the full infinitive.
  - ✓ Michael was made to apologise by his mother.
- Some verbs are followed by the full infinitive alone and some can be followed by an object + full infinitive. ✓ He wants me to tell him a joke.

## -ing or infinitive

Some verbs can be followed by either -ing or the full infinitive.

I started **liking / to like** James after he helped me with my problem.

With some verbs, the meaning is the same or nearly the same.

These include: begin

continue

hate

like

love

prefer

start

With some verbs, the meaning changes. These verbs include:

	+ ing	+ full infinitive
remember	have a memory in your mind Do you <b>remember seeing</b> that comedy?	do something you are/were planning to Did you remember to say sorry to James?
forget	not be able to remember a past event I'd forgotten hearing that joke.	not do something you are/were planning to do Oh, no! I forgot to invite Shelly!
stop	stop an action <b>Stop crying</b> – it's not that bad.	interrupt an action to do something else I was on my way to see Maria and I <b>stopped to get</b> her some flowers.
try	do something to try and solve a problem Have you <b>tried talking</b> to her?	make an effort to do something I'm <b>trying to say</b> I'm sorry, but you won't listen!

## Grammar

## Both, either, neither, so, nor

both

both + noun + and + nounboth + adjective + and + adjective

**Example** Use To emphasise that Both Adam and Vicky said Colin each of two things is was very kind. Simon is both rude and unkind. true To say the same thing My sister and I were **both** shocked by about two things what you said. Jack and Jill both know lots of jokes.

Helpful hints

We sometimes use of with both. We always use this when it comes before a pronoun.

✓ I used to be good friends with Lisa and Mike, but I've had an argument with both of them.

either

either + noun + or + noun either + adjective + or + adjective either + verb + or + verb

Example Use

To talk about a choice between two things

I think I'll buy a Valentine's card with either a puppy or a kitten on it. I'm not sure how Tom will react - he'll be either happy or shocked! You can either tell him how you feel or hope he notices.

Helpful hints

We sometimes use of with either. We always use this when it comes before a pronoun.

✓ I really like Robert and Martin – I'll go out with **either of** them!

neither

neither + noun + nor + noun neither + adjective + nor + adjective

neither + verb + nor + verb

**Example** Use

To emphasise that each of two negative things is true

I've got neither the time nor the energy to take up a new hobby at the moment. What you said to Lucy was neither true nor fair.

Helpful hints

We sometimes use of with neither. We always use this when it comes before a pronoun.

✓ Neither of us found Jason's joke funny.

so, nor

so + do/have/be/modal + subject nor + do/have/be/modal + subject

Example Use

To add more information to a positive statement Lisa is really unkind, and **so** is Angela. You're good at listening to people, and so am I.

To add more information to a nor has his friend. negative statement Tom wouldn't forgive Jenny if she told everyone

his secret, and nor would I.

My brother hasn't been invited to the party, and

√ 'I don't find Mark funny.' 'Nor do I.'

You can also use these structures

√ 'I like Hannah's sense of humour.'

on their own in a conversation.

Helpful hints

'So do I.'

# Vocabulary Laughing and crying

## Topic vocabulary

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amusing (adj)	embarrassing (n)	react (v)
annoy (v)	emotion (n)	regret (v, n)
attitude (n)	enthusiastic (adj)	ridiculous (adj)
bad-tempered (adj)	feeling (n)	romantic (adj)
behave (v)	glad (adj)	rude (adj)
bully (v, n)	hurt (v, adj)	sense of humour (n phr)
calm (adj)	miserable (adj)	shy (adj)
celebrate (v)	naughty (adj)	stress (n)
character (n)	noisy (adj)	tell a joke (v phr)
depressed (adj)	polite (adj)	upset (v, adj)

## Phrasal verbs

cheer up	become/make happier	
come on	be quicker	
go on	continue happening or doing sth	
hang on	wait	
run away (fron	n) escape by running	
shut up	stop talking, stop making a noise	
speak up	talk more loudly so sb can hear you	

## Prepositional phrases

	and the second
at first	
at least	
at times	
in secret	
in spite of	
in tears	

## Word formation

bore	boring, bored	feel	felt, feeling(s)
comedy	comedian	happy	unhappy, (un)happiness
emotion	emotional	hate	hatred
energy	energetic	noise	noisy, noisily
excite	excitement, exciting, excited	sympathy	sympathise, sympathetic

## Word patterns

adjectives	ashamed of		sorry about/for	
	embarrassed about		surprised at/by	
	frightened of		tired of	
	happy about/with	verbs	congratulate sb on	
	nervous about		laugh at	
	scared of	nouns	a joke about	