

Gerunds (Verb + -ing)

English II
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Gerund? or Not?

- 1 I was doing my homework at 7:30 last night.
- 2 Most teenagers' favorite activity is sleeping.
- 3 Drinking too much alcohol increases the risk of health problems.
- 4 She is an amazing person.

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- 5 I've been waiting for an hour.
- 6 I can't stop eating cakes.
- 7 That book on science fiction is interesting.
- 8 Learning a language takes time, efforts, and hard work.

When and how to use Gerund

1. As a Subject	<p>Swimming is my hobby.</p> <p>Submitting assignments on time is the students' obligation.</p> <p>Eating fruits and vegetables is important for a healthy diet.</p>
2. After some verbs Verbs: like, enjoy, love, stop, finish, avoid, mind, miss, suggest, etc.	<p>I love swimming.</p> <p>I enjoy watching movies.</p> <p>Have you finished reading the book?</p> <p>I don't mind working all day.</p> <p>The doctor suggested seeing a therapist.</p>

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3.	As a Complement	<p>My hobby is swimming.</p> <p>The most difficult thing was answering all the questions.</p> <p>My worst fear is having no friends.</p>
4.	After a preposition Prepositions: in, on, at, after, before, by, for, of, for, about, etc.	<p>We start the lesson by watching a video lecture.</p> <p>After waking up, I go to the bathroom and wash my face.</p> <p>Before exercising, you need to do some warm-up.</p>



5.	After verb + preposition	<p>I thanked her <i>for</i> lending me her notes.</p> <p>We are thinking <i>about</i> investing in property.</p> <p>They apologized <i>for</i> making a mess.</p>
6.	After adjective + preposition	<p>I'm <i>sorry</i> <i>for</i> being late.</p> <p>She is <i>afraid</i> <i>of</i> speaking in public.</p> <p>That actor is <i>famous</i> <i>for</i> being extremely weird.</p>
7.	After noun + preposition	<p>That girl got a <i>chance</i> <i>for</i> taking pictures with EXO member.</p> <p>Vina has the <i>habit</i> <i>of</i> talking bad about somebody behind.</p>



8. With some fixed expressions

Fixed expressions:

Can't help

Can't stand

It's no use

It's a waste of time

It's a waste of money

(be) worth

I **can't help worrying** about it.

I **can't stand being** in a toxic relationship.

It's **no use calling** her. She won't call back anyway.

It's a waste of time **hanging** around with no plan.

It's a waste of money **buying** things you don't need.

This book **is worth reading**.

Do you think the book **is worth reading**?

I think the PC **isn't worth fixing**.

GO + GERUND

Go is followed by a gerund in certain idiomatic expressions to express, for the most part, recreational activities.

Example:

Did you **go shopping**?

We **went fishing** yesterday.

Let's **go sightseeing** tomorrow!

I like to **go jogging** on Sunday mornings.

It's the end of the lesson.
See you 😊

