

The lottery ticket



ANSWER KEY

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Grammar The Gerund

Exercise 1

1. My hobbies are *(any answers are possible as long as they are the Gerund form of the verb.)*
2. I enjoy *(any answers are possible as long as they are the Gerund form of the verb.)*
3. I don't like *(any answers are possible as long as they are the Gerund form of the verb.)*

Exercise 2

1. I hate doing homework at the weekend.
2. I detest going to the dentist.
3. I love receiving birthday presents.
4. I don't mind cooking but I prefer eating out.
5. I can't stand being wet and cold.
7. I dislike having to get up early.
8. I prefer playing football to flying kites.

Exercise 3

1. She started playing the piano a year ago.
2. It stopped raining just before we began cooking.
3. He gave up trying to mend the puncture and bought a new tyre.
4. I stopped writing when the lights went out and continued working when they came on again.
5. She gave up biting her nails when she started going out with boys.

Exercise 4

1. She's not very interested in using email. She prefers talking to her friends on the phone.
2. He stayed awake by singing songs and playing his guitar.
3. I'm not very keen on cycling to town. I prefer taking the bus.
4. After missing the bus, they started walking home.
5. We use this cupboard for keeping the food fresh.
6. I put on a coat to stop me from feeling the cold.

Exercise 5

1. They fished all day without catching anything.
2. After finishing his homework, he went out to play soccer.
3. She did the ironing before preparing dinner.
4. They left the shop without paying.
5. She checked the oil before setting off.
6. He gave the answer without thinking about it properly.
7. If I were you, I would think about the problem before doing something about it.
8. After going to the toilet, you should wash your hands.
9. The child ran onto the road without looking to see if anything was coming.
10. Make sure the meat is cooked before eating it.

Exercise 6

Rewrite these sentences using the given cues:

1. Instead of eating at McDonalds, we went to Hungry Jacks.
2. He kept happy by singing songs.
3. Soon after taking off, the plane crashed.
4. Mum was angry with me for waking the kids up.
5. Sheila lost weight by eating less.
6. On seeing the cat, the dog dashed across the road.
7. He could pick people's pockets without anyone realising it.
8. I have no intention of apologising to that woman.

Vocabulary

Exercise 1 Find words from the story

1. Newsagent(s)
2. Jackpot
3. Pavement
4. Grabbed
5. Thieves
6. Snatch and grab
7. To catch someone red-handed
8. Handcuffs
9. Appreciate
10. It means that you don't get any benefits from committing crime. It doesn't do you any good.

Exercise 2

Wordsearch



Find 16 words from the story. Use the clues to help you..

B	A	B	E	H	I	N	D	B	A	R	S	C	O
R	T	F	I	N	A	L	W	E	E	K	L	Y	V
K	H	R	Q	Y	A	C	L	C	X	K	I	R	O
G	I	X	N	Y	I	W	O	Z	H	G	E	E	V
C	E	P	P	E	M	C	C	G	H	A	N	B	L
B	F	N	W	I	W	I	A	W	R	B	N	Y	H
H	I	D	E	O	A	S	L	S	X	A	A	C	Y
E	M	U	Y	Y	D	P	A	L	M	B	B	C	E
S	V	F	J	E	U	R	R	G	I	R	T	M	P
T	B	A	R	R	E	S	T	O	E	O	O	W	R
S	O	D	E	M	A	N	D	B	P	N	N	E	D
U	P	Z	P	A	V	E	M	E	N	T	T	U	P
W	C	T	D	E	L	I	G	H	T	E	D	T	M
M	A	C	O	R	N	E	R	E	L	Z	J	Y	K

1. NEWSAGENT

2. CORNER

3. WEEKLY

4. FINAL

5. MILLION

6. PAVEMENT

7. GRAB

8. THIEF

9. CHANCE

10. LOCAL

11. DEMAND

12. LIE

13. ARREST

14. HIDE

15. BEHIND BARS

16. DELIGHTED

Comprehension

1. She buys a lottery ticket every week. (once a week)
2. She chooses numbers 5 6 2 5 6 7 8.
3. It's got something to do with her family's birthday dates.
4. She paid ten dollars for the ticket.
5. She could feel it in her bones.
6. That week the jackpot was six million dollars.
7. As soon as she had put the ticket inside her bag, two men on a motorcycle rode close by and stole her bag.
8. She went to the police station to make a report.
9. She read that her numbers had won the jackpot.
10. The police arrested the thieves at the lottery office.
11. She felt delighted.
12. She gave each police officer one thousand dollars.