

English for Informatics 2

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Topic:

Gerunds and to Infinitives

Learning Objectives:

By the end of the lesson, the students are expected to be able to use appropriate

English to:

- identify and make sentences using infinitives both with and without to.

Sentence

- To make a sentence, it should consist *at least* a Subject and a Verb (sometimes with an Object and an Adverb).
- For example:

John eats an apple every morning.

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To Infinitive

- But sometimes in a sentence, there are more than one verbs. How will we write them? How will we combine them?

- For example:

John eats apple to keep him healthy.

- Here there are two verbs, namely eats and keep.
- We **cannot** write/say --> John ~~eats apple keep~~ him healthy.
- We need to insert "**to**" before keep.
- **The form "to+ base form of the verb/verb1/v1" is called *to+ infinitive*.**

Gerunds

- What about this sentence: John enjoys eating apple everyday.
- In that sentence, there are also 2 verbs: enjoys and eating.
- We **cannot** write/say ---> John ~~enjoys to eat~~ apple everyday.
- Why? Because the verb "enjoy" should be followed by "**verb+ing**".
- The form "**verb+ing/v+ing**" is called *gerund*.

Exceptions

- Look at the example below:

John **loves to eat** apple every morning.

John **loves eating** apple every morning.

- In the first sentence, the verb "love" is followed by to+ v1 "to eat" while in the second sentence, it is followed by v+ing "eating"
- **Which one is correct?**
- The answer is **BOTH**.
- So, you **must memorize** which verbs should be followed by "to+verb1" or "verb+ing" and both.

For further explanation, click these following tutorial videos about the differences of "to+v1" (infinitive) and "to+ing" (gerund):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ex5Yavw7bwk>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X9fc4Jlgcak>

You can also read the list of the verbs that must be followed by "to+v1" (infinitive) and "to+ing" (gerund) or both in the attachment file on the LMS: ***additional material for unit 4 and lists of the Verbs followed by Gerunds and/or to Infinitives.***