

Verb (+ object) + **to ...** (I want you to ... etc.)

A

want	ask	help	would like
expect	beg	mean (= intend)	would prefer

These verbs are followed by **to ...** (*infinitive*). The structure can be:

verb + **to ...**

or

verb + object + **to ...**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> We expected to be late. | <input type="checkbox"/> We expected Dan to be late. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Would you like to go now? | <input type="checkbox"/> Would you like me to go now? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> He doesn't want to know . | <input type="checkbox"/> He doesn't want anybody to know . |

Do not say 'want that':

- ☐ Do you **want me to come** with you? (*not* Do you want that I come)

After **help** you can use the infinitive with or without **to**. So you can say:

- ☐ Can you help me **to move** this table? or Can you help me **move** this table?

B

tell	remind	force	encourage	teach	enable
order	warn	invite	persuade	get (= persuade)	

These verbs have the structure *verb + object + to ...* :

- ☐ Can you **remind me to call** Sam tomorrow?
- ☐ Who **taught you to drive**?
- ☐ I didn't move the piano by myself. I **got somebody to help** me.
- ☐ Joe said the switch was dangerous and **warned me not to touch** it.

In the next example, the verb is *passive* (**I was warned** / **we were told** etc.):

- ☐ **I was warned not to touch** the switch.

You cannot use **suggest** with the structure *verb + object + to ...* :

- ☐ Jane **suggested that I ask** your advice. (*not* Jane suggested me to ask)

C

After **advise** and **allow**, two structures are possible. Compare:

verb + **-ing** (without an object)verb + object + **to ...**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I wouldn't advise staying in that hotel. | <input type="checkbox"/> I wouldn't advise anybody to stay in that hotel. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> They don't allow parking in front of the building. | <input type="checkbox"/> They don't allow people to park in front of the building. |

Study these examples with **(be) allowed** (*passive*):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking isn't allowed in front of the building. | <input type="checkbox"/> You aren't allowed to park in front of the building. |
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D

Make and let

These verbs have the structure *verb + object + infinitive* (without **to**):

- ☐ I **made him promise** that he wouldn't tell anybody what happened. (*not* to promise)
- ☐ Hot weather **makes me feel** tired. (= causes me to feel tired)
- ☐ Her parents wouldn't **let her go** out alone. (= wouldn't allow her to go out)
- ☐ **Let me carry** your bag for you.

We say '**make** somebody **do**' (*not* to do), but in the *passive* we say '**made to do**' (with **to**):

- ☐ **We were made to wait** for two hours. (= They **made us wait** ...)