

Gerunds as subjects and after prepositions

What is a gerund?

The gerund is the **-ing** from of the verb when it is used as a noun.

What is a preposition?

A preposition is a word that shows relationship between a noun and some other word in a sentence. A preposition is always followed by an object, either a noun, or a pronoun.

Example of prepositions

about	above	across	After	Against
along	Behind	Below	beneath	beside
besides	between	down	during	except
for	From	In	Of	on
on to	Opposite	Out	Outside	Till
То	Toward	Under	Underneath	Until
With	Within	Without		

Gerunds as a subject

Example

° *Playing* basketball is a good exercise. ° *Running* keeps you in shape.

Gerunds after a preposition

Example

- ° I went to the practice *after going* to school.
- ° I will call you *before arriving* at the school. ° I'm thinking *of buying* a new ball.

