



1. Verbs followed by Gerunds

Verb	Example
admit	He admitted cheating on the test.
advise	The doctor generally advised drinking low-fat milk.
allow	Ireland doesn't allow smoking in bars.
anticipate	I anticipated arriving late.
appreciate	I appreciated her helping me.
avoid	He avoided talking to her.
begin	I began learning Chinese.
can't bear	He can't bear having so much responsibility.
can't help	He can't help talking so loudly.
can't see	I can't see paying so much money for a car.
can't stand	He can't stand her smoking in the office.
cease	The government ceased providing free healthcare.
complete	He completed renovating the house.
consider	She considered moving to New York.
continue	He continued talking.
defend	The lawyer defended her making such statements.
delay	He delayed doing his taxes.
deny	He denied committing the crime.
despise	She despises waking up early.
discuss	We discussed working at the company.
dislike	She dislikes working after 5 PM.
don't mind	I don't mind helping you.
dread	She dreads getting up at 5 AM.
encourage	He encourages eating healthy foods.
enjoy	We enjoy hiking.
finish	He finished doing his homework.
forget	I forgot giving you my book.
hate	I hate cleaning the bathroom.
imagine	He imagines working there one day.
involve	The job involves traveling to Japan once a month.
keep	She kept interrupting me.
like	She likes listening to music.
love	I love swimming.
mention	He mentioned going to that college.
mind	Do you mind waiting here for a few minutes.
miss	She misses living near the beach.
need	The aquarium needs cleaning.
neglect	Sometimes she neglects doing her homework.
permit	California does not permit smoking in restaurants.
postpone	He postponed returning to Paris.
practice	She practiced singing the song.
prefer	He prefers sitting at the back of the movie theater.
propose	I proposed having lunch at the beach.
quit	She quit worrying about the problem.





recall	Tom recalled using his credit card at the store.
recollect	She recollected living in Kenya.
recommend	Tony recommended taking the train.
regret	She regretted saying that.
remember	I remember telling her the address yesterday.
report	He reported her stealing the money.
require	The certificate requires completing two courses.
resent	Nick resented Debbie's being there.
resist	He resisted asking for help.
risk	He risked being caught.
start	He started studying harder.
stop	She stopped working at 5 o'clock.
suggest	They suggested staying at the hotel.
tolerate	I tolerated her talking.
try	Sam tried opening the lock with a paperclip.
understand	I understand his quitting.
urge	They urge recycling bottles and paper.





2. Verbs followed by infinitives

Verbs	Gerunds
agree	Tom agreed to help me.
appear	His health appeared to be better.
arrange	Naomi arranged to stay with her cousin in Miami.
ask	She asked to leave.
begin	He began to talk.
can't bear	He can't bear to be alone.
can't stand	Nancy can't stand to work the late shift.
care	He doesn't care to participate in the activity.
cease	The government ceased to provide free healthcare.
choose	I chose to help.
claim	She claimed to be a princess.
continue	She continued to talk.
decide	We decided to go to Hawaii.
demand	He demanded to speak to Mr. Harris.
deserve	He deserves to go to jail.
dread	I dread to think what might happen.
expect	They expect to arrive early.
fail	He failed to get enough money to pay for the new project.
forget	I forgot to lock the door when I left.
get (be allowed to)	Debbie gets to go to the concert next week! Why can't I?
happen	She happened to be at the bank when it was robbed.
hate	He hates to clean dishes.
hesitate	She hesitated to tell me the problem.
hope	I hope to begin college this year.
intend	We intend to visit you next spring.
learn	I learned to speak Japanese when I was a kid.
like	Samantha likes to read.
love	We love to scuba dive.
manage	He managed to open the door without the key.
need	I need to study.
neglect	She neglected to tell me the date of the meeting.
offer	Frank offered to drive us to the supermarket.
plan	We plan to go to Europe this summer.
prefer	He prefers to eat at 7 PM.
prepare	They prepared to take the test.
pretend	The child pretended to be a monster.
promise	She promised to stop smoking.
propose	Drew proposed to pay for the trip.
refuse	The guard refused to let them enter the building.
regret	I regret to inform you that your application was rejected.
remember	Did you remember to lock the door when you left?
seem	Nancy seemed to be disappointed.
start	Marge started to talk really fast.
swear	She swore to tell the truth.
tend	He tends to be a little shy.





threaten	He threatened to leave forever.
try	Mary tried to lift the table, but it was too heavy.
vow	He vowed to get revenge.
wait	She waited to buy a movie ticket.
want	I want to study Spanish.
wish	I wish to stay.
would like	We would like to start now.
yearn	Melanie yearns to travel somewhere exotic.

