

## 6A GRAMMAR gerunds and infinitives

a Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the infinitive (with or without *to*) or the gerund (-ing).

- 1 I learnt *to speak* French when I was at school. (**speak**)
- 2 Do you fancy \_\_\_\_\_ a film tonight? (**go see**)
- 3 Laura's mother lets her \_\_\_\_\_ when she wants. (**go out**)
- 4 I can't afford \_\_\_\_\_ a holiday this year. (**have**)
- 5 It's getting late. We'd better \_\_\_\_\_ much longer. (**not stay**)
- 6 I'm going to carry on \_\_\_\_\_ until 8.00 tonight. (**work**)
- 7 What are you planning \_\_\_\_\_ to the party? (**wear**)
- 8 Would you rather \_\_\_\_\_ in the country or in a town? (**live**)
- 9 I couldn't help \_\_\_\_\_ when my brother fell off his bicycle. (**laugh**)
- 10 Did you manage \_\_\_\_\_ the report before the meeting? (**finish**)
- 11 We're really looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ you again. (**see**)
- 12 If I tell you a secret, do you promise \_\_\_\_\_ anybody? (**not tell**)
- 13 My boss made me \_\_\_\_\_ late last night. (**work**)
- 14 Since I've moved abroad I really miss \_\_\_\_\_ my friends. (**see**)
- 15 Would you like me \_\_\_\_\_ you with the dinner? (**help**)
- 16 I don't mind \_\_\_\_\_. I'm not in a hurry. (**wait**)
- 17 Sorry, you aren't allowed \_\_\_\_\_ here. (**park**)
- 18 We need to practise \_\_\_\_\_ before the oral exam. (**speak**)
- 19 I like \_\_\_\_\_ early in the morning in the summer. (**get up**)
- 20 Monica might \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow. She's ill. (**not come**)
- 21 I love \_\_\_\_\_ time with my grandparents. (**spend**)
- 22 Will you be able \_\_\_\_\_ me a lift to work tomorrow? (**give**)

b Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the gerund or the infinitive with *to*.

- 1 You forgot *to buy* the milk. (**buy**)
- 2 Could you try \_\_\_\_\_ late tomorrow? (**not be**)
- 3 The sheets on this bed are dirty. They need \_\_\_\_\_. (**change**)
- 4 Don't you remember \_\_\_\_\_ his wife at that party at Christmas? (**meet**)
- 5 I'll never forget \_\_\_\_\_ in New York for the first time. (**arrive**)
- 6 I think you need \_\_\_\_\_ the irregular verbs. (**revise**)
- 7 Did you remember \_\_\_\_\_ James about the meeting tomorrow? (**tell**)
- 8 If the computer doesn't work, try \_\_\_\_\_ it off and on again. (**turn**)

25–30 Excellent. You can use gerunds and infinitives very well.

16–24 Quite good. But check the rules in the Grammar Bank (Student's Book p.142) for any questions that you got wrong.

0–15 This is difficult for you. Read the rules in the Grammar Bank again (Student's Book p.142). Then ask your teacher for another photocopy and do the exercise again at home.

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c Write sentences that are true for you, using the prompts. Compare your ideas with a partner. Ask him / her for more details.

- 1 something you learnt to do when you were a child
- 2 something your parents didn't let you do when you were younger
- 3 a place you remember visiting
- 4 a person you enjoy spending time with
- 5 something you often forget to do
- 6 something that you try not to do