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Material GR /No: 17

GERUNDS & INFINITIVES

A. Complete the sentences using gerund form of the verbs.

have / find / iron / wear / win/ test / stare / dive / swim / drive / play

1. _____ is the most boring housework for me.
2. _____ in this lake can be dangerous.
3. _____ a huge amount of money from the lottery must be wonderful
4. _____ fruit is important to good health.
5. _____ in heavy traffic is frustrating.
6. _____ drugs on mice is cruel.
7. _____ cheap holiday in Paris is impossible.
8. _____ an instrument is a good way of relaxing.
9. _____ at people is not polite.
10. _____ into the sea can be dangerous.
11. _____ glasses all the time is very uncomfortable.

B. Complete the sentences with the gerund or infinitive form of the verbs.

1. Jamie started _____ (cry) when she heard the bad news.
2. I hate _____ (take) the rubbish out.
3. Mary loves _____ (swim) when it is raining.
4. What would you like _____ (do) on your birthday?
5. Would you mind _____ (open) the window?
6. My parents decided _____ (not go) on holiday this year.
7. Sue is learning _____ (dance).
8. Jim helped me _____ (carry) the boxes.
9. We are planning _____ (have) a picnic on Sunday.

ANSWER KEY: A. 1. Ironing 2. Swimming 3. Winning 4. Having 5. Driving
6. Testing 7. Finding 8. Playing 9. Staring 10. Diving 11. Wearing
B. 1. crying 2. taking 3. swimming 4. to do 5. Opening
6. not to go 7. to dance 8. (to) carry 9. to have



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C. Choose the correct alternative.

1. Why don't you let your daughter _____?

- a) go b) to go

2. It is necessary _____ the system, isn't it?

- a) changing b) to change

3. "Did you clean the floor?"

"No, I didn't need _____ it.

- a) to clean b) cleaning

4. I enjoy _____ pictures.

- a) drawing b) to draw

5. We are looking forward to _____ from you.

- a) hear b) hearing

6. He offered _____ me.

- a) helping b) to help

7. He has promised _____ me as much as he can.

- a) to visit b) visiting

8. I had to phone the office but I forgot _____ it.

- a) to do b) doing

9. I enjoyed _____ you. I hope to see you again.

- a) to meet b) meeting

10. Ann pretended not _____ me while she was passing me in the street.

- a) seeing b) to see

11. I helped George _____ his bags.

- a) cleaning b) to clean

12. I'm still looking for a job but I hope _____ something soon.

- a) to find b) finding

13. Have you finished _____ your hair yet?

- a) washing b) to wash

14. Would you mind _____ on the radio, please?

- a) to turn b) turning

15. I am not in a hurry. I don't mind _____.

- a) waiting b) to wait

16. Jill has decided not _____ a car.

- a) buying b) to buy

17. I don't know where Sue is. She promised not _____ late.

- a) to be b) being

D. Fill in the blanks with the gerund or infinitive form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Two men denied _____ (mug) an old woman in the street.

2. I don't understand how your sister can afford _____ (eat out) every night.

3. You can go, but I don't mind _____ (go out) tonight.

4. I'd rather _____ (stay in) than _____ (go out).

5. Tina decided _____ (go) to Venice in spring.

6. He got up and started _____ (run) again although he was exhausted.

7. Tom stopped _____ (work) for that company because his salary was so low.

8. My father never lets me _____ (drive) his car.

9. We regret _____ (announce) that the flight was delayed because of bad weather.

10. I'll always remember _____ (meet) the Queen. It was a wonderful day.

11. It is starting _____ (rain). Let's go home.



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12. Sheila continued _____ (work) after she had her baby boy last year.
13. Mary admitted _____ (use) drugs when she was getting ready for the match.
14. I don't mind _____ (drive) if you're very tired and sleepy.
15. They expect _____ (complete) their current course this year.
16. My parents always make me _____ (study) lesson before I go out with my friends.
17. My parents would like _____ (have) dinner with you on Saturday evening.
18. Nancy remembered _____ (get) married.
19. He regrets _____ (not accept) the job offer. He has been unemployed for two months.
20. Roberta is getting tired of _____ (do) the same job day in and day out. I think she is going to quit!
21. Ann went _____ (sightsee) in Paris.
22. Where is my umbrella? I remember _____ (take) it this morning.
23. Shannon refused _____ (eat) meat because she is a strict vegetarian.
24. You'd better _____ (not be) late for work, or you'll be sacked.
25. Max avoided _____ (use) his cell phone when other people were in the room.
26. Karen and Neil would like _____ (try) that new dance club downtown.
27. Please remember _____ (give) this message to Sam. It's very important.
28. I can't help _____ (think) how my grandmother's life would have been different if she had been able to go to college.
29. She promised _____ (do) all she can to help me with my MA thesis.
30. Stephanie dislikes _____ (work) in front of a computer all day.

ANSWER KEY: C.1.A 6.B 11.B 16.B
2.B 7.A 12.A 17.A
3.A 8.A 13.A
4.A 9.B 14.B
5.B 10.B 15.A

D. 1. mugging 2. to eat out 3. going out 4. stay in, go out 5. to go 6. running/ to run
7. working 8. drive 9. to announce 10. meeting 11. to rain 12. to work/ working
13. using 14. driving 15. to complete 16. study 17. to have 18. getting 19. not accepting
20. doing 21. sightseeing 22. taking 23. to eat 24. not be 25. using 26. to try
27. to give 28. thinking 29. to do 30. working

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