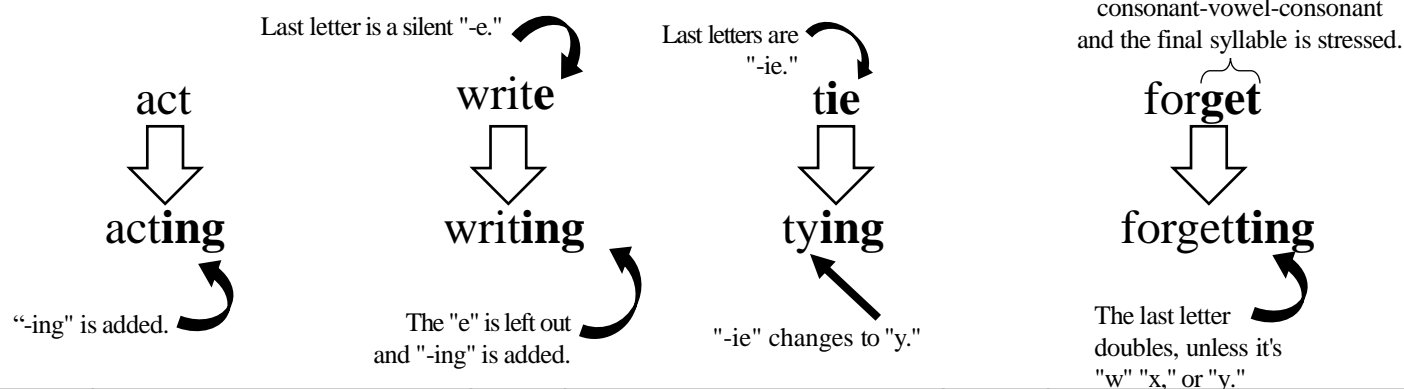


Big English 5 Unit 1 Vocabulary

1 after-school activities	2 wonder	3 maybe	4 blog
5 drama club	6 science club	7 tae kwon do club	8 karate club
9 baseball team	10 track team	11 school newspaper	12 school band
13 Olympics Games	14 competitor	15 member	16 medals
17 tryouts	18 audition	19 sign-up sheet	20 competition
21 creative	22 instruction	23 personality	24 championship
25 write article	26 read comics	27 do martial arts	28 try out
29 play chess	30 play boardgames	31 play sports	32 play the trumpet
33 analyze	34 control	35 determine	36 solve
37 contact	38 Be a team player.	39 athletic	40 event
be interested in +N / +V-ing	check out (something)	be good at +N / Ving	see (someone) for more information
Seriously?	Count me in!	Welcome back!	No way!
* auditorium	* advisor	* convince	* architect

- _____ 1. Before you start building the models, carefully read the ____ to understand the rules.
- _____ 2. Our school's soccer team is playing to win the big ____.
- _____ 3. Don't forget to ____ ____ for the spelling bee before the deadline.
- _____ 4. Sam always has lots of ____ ideas for decorating the house.
- _____ 5. Are you going to ____ ____ for the school basketball team next week?
- _____ 6. You should ____ ____ the information before buying tickets.
- _____ 7. Don't worry, there's ____ ____ you won't improve if you keep practicing your math problems.
- _____ 8. Learning how to ____ a bike is challenging for a three-year-old.
- _____ 9. Both of us are ____ for winning the first prize.
- _____ 10. We carefully looked at the puzzle pieces to ____ how they fit together.
- _____ 11. Did you ____ the math problem that we discussed yesterday?
- _____ 12. Tom is a ____ of the soccer team. The team practices every Monday afternoon.
- _____ 13. I want to ____ my own future. I don't want to be a doctor. I want to be a nurse.
- _____ 14. The baseball ____ will be held after school tomorrow. Make sure to bring
your sneakers and gloves.

gerund =verb +-ing



Verb	Gerund (Ving)	Verb	Gerund (Ving)	Verb	Gerund (Ving)
act		run		dance	
build		jog		ride	
try out		win		make	
draw		hop		hike	
play		cut		raise	
sing		write		lie	
learn		take		die	
join		bake			

Exercise 1: Underline the gerund in each sentence.

1. Playing basketball is great exercise.
2. She enjoys reading novels.
3. They are interested in learning new languages.
4. My favorite hobby is painting.

Exercise 2: Choose the correct form to complete each sentence.

1. He promised (to help/helping) me with my homework.
2. I started (learn/learning) to play the guitar last year.
3. They enjoy (visit/visiting) the art museum this weekend.
4. She stopped (talk/talking) when she saw her friend.

Exercise 3: Fill in the blanks with the correct gerund form of the given verbs.

1. She enjoys _____(read) books every evening.
2. The children were _____(play) in the park when it started raining.
3. The dog loves _____ (run)after a long day.
4. We often see him _____ (ride)his bike around the neighborhood.
5. She practiced _____(play) the piano for hours before the recital.
6. They are _____ (build)a sandcastle on the beach.
7. The students were _____(raise) their hands to answer the teacher's questions.
8. He was _____(sing) his favorite song in the shower this morning.
9. The gardener is _____(plant) flowers in the garden.

VERB PATTERNS

Some verbs in English can only go with a gerund or an infinitive. Some verbs can go with either. These verbs often describe wishes, plans, or feelings.

I. Verbs with Infinitives

English uses the infinitive with "to" after certain verbs that describe someone's plans or wishes to do an activity.

decide

want

need

plan

agree

promise

hope

learn

1. I hope _____ (visit) the zoo during our summer vacation.
2. We learn _____ (discover) new things every day in school.
3. I need _____ (use) a ruler to draw straight.
4. Let's plan _____ (have) a picnic for next weekend with our friends.
5. I promise _____ (help) you study for the math test.

II. Verbs with Gerunds

English uses gerunds after certain verbs that say how a person feels about an activity.

enjoy

mind

finish

keep

practice

imagine

think
about

give up

interested
in

good/bad
at

1. Do you mind _____ (share) your toys with your little sister?
2. Imagine _____ (fly) in a hot air balloon high up in the sky.
3. Don't give up _____ (try) to solve the puzzle; you're close to figuring it out.
4. She's bad at _____ (sing), but she enjoys _____ (sing) in the shower for fun.
5. We should keep _____ (help) each other to make our class better.

III. Verbs Followed by Infinitive or Gerund (No Change in Meaning)

Some verbs can be followed by a gerund or a infinitive, with little or no change in meaning. You can often use both forms interchangeably.

like

love

hate

start

begin

prefer

1. They hate _____ (do) homework on weekends.
2. I begin _____ (practice) the piano every afternoon.
3. Jake started _____ (learn) to play the guitar last month.
4. They prefer _____ (play) soccer at the park **over** staying indoors.
5. Dad prefers _____ (jog) in the morning **to** exercising in the evening.