

-ing form or infinitive

Based on *Laser B2 p. 183*

To be or not
to be?



Full infinitive

- *I've **arranged to meet** Diana outside the library.*
- *Did you **manage to speak** to Mrs Harris?*
- *I can't **promise to be** there, but I'll try.*

The word
"to"



The simple
form of a
verb
(skate,
run, etc.)

Infinitive

Full infinitive after:

- Afford
- Agree
- Appear
- Arrange
- Ask
- Attempt
- Be pleased/able
- Choose
- Decide
- Expect
- Fail
- Happen
- Help
- Hope
- Intend
- Learn
- Manage
- Offer
- Plan
- Prepare
- Pretend
- Promise
- Refuse
- Seem
- Tend
- Want
- Wish
- Would like

-ing form

- *The young man **admitted lying** to the police.*
- *It's hard to **imagine standing** on the Moon and **seeing** the Earth above you.*
- *I would **suggest asking** your teacher for some advice.*

-ing form after:

- Admit
- Appreciate
- Avoid
- Be capable of
- Be good/bad at
- Be interested in
- Can't help
- Can't stand
- Consider
- Delay
- Practice
- Succeed in
- Suggest
- Talk about
- Deny
- Discuss
- Dislike
- Enjoy
- Feel like
- Finish
- Give up
- Imagine
- Involve
- Look forward to
- Mention
- Mind
- Miss
- Think of

Bare infinitive

- *You **can send** the information to me by email.*
- *I hate it when people **make** me **wait**.*
- *Why don't you **let** James **join** you?*

Bare infinitive after:

- Make
- Let
- Modal verbs

-ing form or the full infinitive
(without a change in meaning)
after:

- Begin
- Continue
- Hate
- Intend
- Love
- Prefer
- start

-ing form or the full infinitive (with a change in meaning)

- Remember
- Forget
- Try
- Stop
- Go on
- Like
- Regret

remember

- A picture of a past event

*I remember **playing** soccer when I was a child.*



- Do sth you are/were planning to do

*I forgot the butter, but at least I remembered **to get** some milk!*



forget

- Always remember

*I'll never forget
playing my first
soccer match!*



- Not do sth you are/were planning to do

*Oh, no!
Grandma,
I forgot **to**
buy the
butter!*



try

- Do sth as an experiment
- Make an effort to achieve sth

*Why don't you try **doing** yoga?*



*I'm going to try **to join** the Strongman club.*



stop

- Stop an action

*Will you please stop **making** so much noise?*



- Interrupt an action to do sth else

*I'm tired of driving. Why don't we stop **to have** a cup of coffee?*



Go on

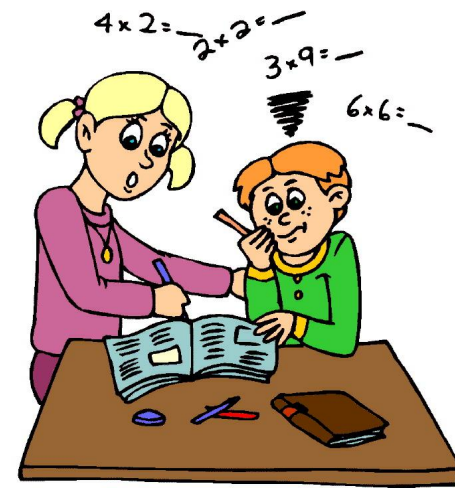
- Continue

*It started raining, but we went on **playing** football.*



- Stop one action and start another

*After doing my French homework, I went on **to do** my maths homework.*



regret

- Be sorry about what has happened
- Be sorry about giving sb bad news

*Don't you regret **leaving** university before finishing your degree?*



*I regret **to inform** you that the train to Warsaw has been cancelled.*

