

TO-INFINITIVES / BARE INFINITIVES / GERUNDS

(Động từ nguyên mẫu có “to”, nguyên mẫu không “to”, danh động từ)

I. To-infinitive / Infinitive with to

* Động từ nguyên mẫu có to được dùng làm:

- Chủ ngữ của câu: *To become* a famous singer is her dream.
- Bổ ngữ cho chủ ngữ: What I like is *to swim* in the sea and then *to lie* on the warm sand.
- Tân ngữ của động từ: It was late, so we decided *to take* a taxi home.
- Tân ngữ của tính từ: I'm pleased *to see* you.

* V + to-inf

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| - hope: hy vọng | - offer: đề nghị | - expect: mong đợi |
| - plan: lên kế hoạch | - refuse: từ chối | - want: muốn |
| - promise: hứa | - pretend: giả vờ | - fail: thất bại, hỏng |
| - attempt: cố gắng, nỗ lực | - tend: có khuynh hướng | - threaten: đe dọa |
| - intend: định | - seem: dường như | - decide: quyết định |
| - manage: xoay sở, cố gắng | - agree: đồng ý | - ask: yêu cầu |
| - afford: đáp ứng | - arrange: sắp xếp | - tell: bảo |
| - appear: hình như | - learn: học/ học cách | - invite: mời |
| - would like | - offer: cho, tặng, đề nghị | |

* Trong các cấu trúc:

+ *It takes / took* + O + *thời gian* + to-inf

+ chỉ mục đích

+ bổ ngữ cho danh từ hoặc đại từ: S + V + Noun / pronoun + to-inf

I have some letters *to write*. Is

there anything *to eat*?

+ It + be + adj + to-inf: thật ... để ..

Ex: It is interesting *to study* English

+ S + be + adj + to-inf

Ex: I'm happy *to receive* your letter.

+ S + V + too + adj / adv + to-inf

+ S + V + adj / adv + enough + to-inf

+ S + find / think / believe + it + adj + to-inf

Ex: I find it difficult *to learn* English vocabulary.

+ Sau các từ nghi vấn: what, who, which, when, where, how,... (nhưng thường không dùng sau why)

Ex: I don't know what *to say*.

* Note:

- allow / permit / advise / recommend + O + to-inf
- allow / permit / advise / recommend + V-ing

She *allowed me to use* her pen.

She didn't *allow smoking* in her room

II. Bare infinitive / Infinitive without to

* V + O + bare inf

- let - make - had better - would rather

Note be + made + to-inf

- help + V1 / to-inf
- help + O + V1 / to-inf
- help + O + with + N

Ex: My brother helped me **do** my homework.

My brother helped me **to do** my homework.

My brother helped me **with my homework**.

* Động từ chỉ giác quan

- Các động từ chỉ tri giác: **hear, sound, smell, taste, feel, watch, notice, see, listen, find .. + O + V1**
(chỉ sự hoàn tất của hành động – nghe hoặc thấy toàn bộ sự việc diễn ra) Ex: I saw her get off the bus.

- Các động từ chỉ tri giác: **hear, sound, smell, taste, feel, watch, notice, see, listen, find .. + O + V-ing**
(chỉ sự việc đang diễn ra)

Ex: I smell something burning in the kitchen.

III. GERUND (V-ing)

* Danh động từ có thể được dùng làm:

- Chủ từ của câu: *Swimming* is my favourite sport.
- Bổ ngữ của động từ: My hobby is *collecting* stamps.
- Tân ngữ của động từ: I enjoy *traveling*.

* V + V-ing

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| - mention: đề cập đến | - quit: từ bỏ | - risk: có nguy cơ |
| - fancy: thích | - deny: phủ nhận | - involve: liên quan |
| - detest: ghét | - encourage: khích lệ | - consider: xem xét |
| - imagine: tưởng tượng | - miss: bỏ lỡ | - It is no use: không có ích |
| - It is no good: không tốt | - postpone: hoãn lại | - suggest: đề nghị |
| - practice: luyện tập | - finish | - admit: thừa nhận |
| - avoid: tránh | - mind: ngại | - delay: hoãn |
| - hate: ghét | | |
- waste / spend: lãng phí, bỏ ra (thời gian, tiền bạc)
 - have difficulty / trouble: gặp khó khăn/trở ngại
 - can't help: không thể không
 - can't stand / can't bear: không chịu đựng nổi
 - feel like: cảm thấy thích
 - look forward to: mong chờ, mong đợi
 - It is (not) worth: đáng / không đáng
 - keep / keep on: tiếp tục
 - be busy
 - be used to / get used to

* **Sau các liên từ:** after, before, when, while, since,...

Ex: After **finishing** his homework, he went to bed.

* **Sau các giới từ:** on, in, at, with, about, from, to, without,

Ex: My sister is interested in **listening** to pop music.

IV. INFINITIVE OR GERUND (To-inf / V-ing)

1. Không thay đổi nghĩa:

- begin / start / continue / like / love + To-inf / V-ing

Ex: It started *to rain / raining*.

2. Thay đổi nghĩa:

+ remember / forget / regret + V-ing: nhớ / quên / nuối tiếc việc đã xảy ra rồi (trong quá khứ)

+ remember / forget / regret + to-inf: nhớ / quên / nuối tiếc việc chưa, sắp xảy ra (trong tương lai)

Ex: Don't forget *to turn* off the light when you go to bed.

I remember *meeting* you some where but I can't know your name.

Remember *to send* her some flowers because today is her birthday.

+ stop + V-ing: dừng hẳn việc gì

+ stop + to-inf: dừng để ...

Ex: He stopped *smoking* because it is harmful for his health.

On the way home, I stopped at the post office *to buy* a newspaper.

+ try + V-ing: thử

+ try + to-inf: cố gắng

+ need + V-ing = need + to be + V3: cần được (bị động)

+ need + to-inf: cần (chủ động)

Ex: I need *to wash* my car.

My car is very dirty. It needs *washing / to be washed*.

3. Cấu trúc nhờ vả:

S + have + O người + V1 + O vật ...

S + have + O vật + V3/-ed + (by + O người) ... S

+ get + O người + to-inf + O vật

S + get + O vật + V3/-ed + (by + O người)

Exercise: Choose the best answer:

1. Many young people are fond of ----- football and other kinds of sports.

A. play B. to play C. playing D. played

2. They couldn't help ----- when they heard the little boy singing a love song.

A. laughing B. to laugh C. laugh D. laughed 3.

Your house needs ----- .

A. redecorated B. redecorating C. being redecorated D. to redecorate

4. I remember ----- them to play in my garden.
A. to allow B. allow C. allowing D. allowed
5. It was a nasty memory. Do you remember both of us wearing sunglasses to avoid ----- by the supervisors?
A. to recognize B. to be recognized C. recognizing D. being recognized
6. I can't bear thinking back of that time. I'd rather ----- equally.
A. treat B. be treated C. have treated D. treating
7. Did you accuse Nam of ----- a plate? Well, I saw him ----- it off the table with his elbow.
A. break/ knock B. breaking/ knocking C. to break/ to knock D. breaking/ knock
8. We found it very difficult ----- with Gamma.
A. to work B. work C. working D. worked
9. I can't read when I am traveling. It makes me ----- sick.
A. feel B. to feel C. felt D. feeling
10. I need ----- what's in the letter. Why don't you let me ----- it?
A. to know/ to read B. know/ read C. to know/ read D. knowing/ read
11. I suggest ----- some more mathematical puzzles.
A. do B. to do C. doing D. done
12. We regret ----- you that we cannot approve your suggestion.
A. inform B. to inform C. informing D. informed
13. The driver stopped ----- a coffee because he felt sleepy.
A. have B. to have C. having D. had
14. Have you ever considered ----- a pharmacist?
A. become B. becoming C. to become D. became
15. You had better ----- at home until you feel better.
A. staying B. stayed C. to stay D. stay
16. I remember ----- my mother said the grass in the garden needed -----.
A. to hear/cutting B. hear/cut C. heard/to cut D. hearing/ cutting
17. Peter sometimes help his sister -----.
A. do homework B. to do homework C. with homework D. all are correct
18. I would rather ----- at home than -----out with you.
A. staying/going B. to stay/ to go C. stay/go D. stayed/went
19. I would rather you -----.
A. drive B. to drive C. drove D. driven
20. She didn't say a word and left the room.
A. She left the room without saying a word B. She leaving the room without saying a word
C. She left the room saying a word D. She left the room to say a word.
21. My father wanted me ----- a pilot.
A. become B. to become C. becoming D. became
22. Please wait a minute. My boss is busy ----- something.
A. write B. writing C. to write D. to writing

23. My teacher doesn't allow us ----- while he is explaining the lesson.
A. talk B. to talk C. talking D. talked
24. We have plenty of time. We needn't -----
A. hurry B. to hurry C. hurrying D. hurried
25. I promised ----- on time. I mustn't ----- late.
A. be/be B. to be/to be C. to be/ be D. be/to be
26. Mary and I are looking forward ----- you.
A. of seeing B. for seeing C. to seeing D. to see
27. I'm sure that he knows ----- this new machine.
A. to use B. using C. how using D. how to use
28. Psychiatrists and doctors have failed ----- people not to drink.
A. to tell B. telling C. tell D. told
29. The students are used to ----- in the school library.
A. working B. work C. to work D. worked
30. Our room needs ----- up.
A. tidied B. to tide C. tidy D. tidying
31. Mercury's low gravity makes you ----- very light in a spaceship.
A. feel B. feeling C. to feel D. felt
32. "Was the test long?". "Yes, John was the only one ----- it"
A. to finish B. finishing C. finished D. finish
33. A lots of needs ----- to the house before anyone can move in.
A. be done B. doing C. to do D. done
34. It is about time you ----- harder for the next exam.
A. worked B. working C. work D. to work
35. If he really doesn't feel like ----- now, I suggested that he should go out for some fresh air.
A. work B. to work C. worked D. working

Exercises on INFINITIVE AND GERUND

I. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form : GERUND or INFINITIVE .(In some sentences, both forms are correct).

1. I'm not in a hurry. I don't mind.....(wait) for you.
2. My father gave up(smoke) three years ago.
3. Would you mind(keep) silent ? I'm trying
.....(study).
4. I always try to avoid.....(borrow) money from my friends.
5. The traffic was very heavy this morning, but I managed(get) to school on time.
6. Could you please stop(make) so much noise ?
7. I've put off(write) the letter so many times. I really must do it today.
8. Sarah gave up(try) to find a job in this country and decided.....(go) abroad.
9. You can't stop me(do) what I want.
10. They don't have much money. They can't afford.....(go) out very often.
11. My mother can't stand.....(stay) at home without doing anything.
12. How long have you been able.....(swim), John ?
13. You must promise.....(not / be) late again.
14. When I saw her in that funny hat, I couldn't help.....(laugh).
15. They refused.....(lend) him the money although he needed it badly.
16. Please, don't forget.....(post) the letter for me today ! It's urgent.
26. However, she did not plan.....(be) a secretary all her life.
27. But she couldn't imagine.....(do) the same job for years and years.
28. The only thing that prevented her from.....(study) law was a lack of time and money.
29. She often remembered(talk) to her father before he became ill.
30. Did you remember.....(post) the letter for me this morning ?
31. Don't forget.....(wake) me up before six o'clock tomorrow.
32. I am looking forward to (see) you.
33. He is tired of (walk) to school.
34. I arranged (meet) them here.
35. He urged us (work) faster.
36. It's no use (wait).
37. He warned her..... (not touch) the wire.
38. Don't forget..... (lock) the door before (go) to bed.
39. My mother told me (not speak) to anyone about it.
40. He tried..... (explain) but she refused (listen).
41. It was very kind of you (show) the way.
42. I overheard him (say) that he didn't want to learn Math.
43. I don't remember (tell) of the decision to change the company policy on vacations.
44. Ms Drake expects (consult) about any revisions in her manuscript before it is printed.
45. Tommy admitted (throw) the rock through the window.
46. Most people enjoy (travel) to different parts of the world.
47. May I change the TV channel, or do you want (watch) more of this programme?
48. That was a very strange question (ask)
49. It was very kind of you (show)..... the way.

50. The teacher let him (stay) at home to finish the assignment.
 51. It was quite a surprise (see) him again.
 52. I overheard him (say) that he didn't want to learn Math.
 53. She stood there and watched him (drive) away.
 54. It was very difficult for her (drive)..... the motorbike.
 55. I could feel the robber (come) from the backdoor.
 56. It is easy (see) animals on the road in daylight.
 57. I asked him (explain) but he refused (say) anything.
 58. It is pleasant (sit) by the fire at night.
 59. There was no way of (get) out of the building except by (climb) down a rope.
 60. It's no good (write) to him; he never answers letters.
 61. Ask him (come) in. Don't keep him (stand) at the door.
 62. We watched the children (jump) from a window and (fall) into a blanket held by people below.
 63. It is very pleasant (wake) up and (hear) the rain (beat) on the windows.
 64. They denied.....the money. (steal)
 65. I can't afford.....out tonight. I haven't got enough money. (go)

II. Choose the underlined part among A, B, C or D that needs correcting.

84. I couldn't make my car to start this morning.
 A B C D
85. I'm sure he is incapable of run a mile in four minutes.
 A B C D
86. Good friendship should be based on mutual understand.
 A B C D
87. I'm delighted hearing that you have made much progress in your study.
 A B C D
88. There is a lot of work doing here.
 A B C D
89. He was terribly excited to ask to play for Manchester.
 A B C D
90. He could not decide whether to get a job or studying.
 A B C D
91. I dislike being talk about everywhere.
 A B C D
92. He says that speak a foreign language always makes him nervous.
 A B C D
93. We're looking forward to see you again.
 A B C D
94. I'd like buying some earrings like yours.
 A B C D
95. She smelt something burning and saw smoke rise.
 A B C D
96. I warned them not climb the mountain in such bad weather.

97. They voluntarily spent their vacations to teach illiterate people to read & write.
 A B C D
98. You can congratulate yourself about having done an excellent job.
 A B C D
99. Peter apologized for break the vase.
 A B C D
100. He insisted on seeing the manager tomorrow.
 A B C D

III. Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

101. Some high school students take part inthe handicapped. A. helping B. to help C. help D. being help
102. The mission of this society iscommunity education for street children.
 A. to provide B. provide C. providing D. provided
103. Shy people often find it to take part in group discussions.
 A. difficult B. difficulty C. difficultly D. be difficult
104. I am unable..... to the meeting on Monday evening, please apologise for my absence.
 A. to come B. come C. coming D. to be come
105. it several times, he didn't want to read it once again.
 A. Reading B. To read C. To have read D. Having read
106. that he was poor, I offered to pay his fare.
 A. Knowing B. Known C. Knew D. Having knew
107. photographs of the place, I had no desire to go there.
 A. Seeing B. Seen C. Saw D. Having seen
108. I hate a child
 A. see/ crying B. see/ cry C. seeing/ to cry D. seeing/ cry
109. I notice the lorry down the hill.
 A. to come B. came C. coming D. having come
110. I observed a blue car very fast towards the motorway.
 A. having driven B. driven C. driving D. to drive
111. They left the restaurant, two hours over lunch.
 A. spending B. spent C. after spend D. having spent
112. The police accused him of..... fire to the building but he denied in the area on the night of the fire.
 A. setting/ being B. setting/ having been C. set/ be D. having set/ having been
113. Someone told us sit on the stairs.
 A. don't B. not C. not to D. to not
114. "Don't forget to ring me"
 A. I advised David to ring me B. I reminded David to ring me
 C. I offered to be run D. You promised to ring me
115. The doctor advised him and to take up some sport.
 A. stop smoke B. stop smoking
 C. to stop smoking D. to stop to smoke
116. I have told him never to buy some potatoes on the way home.

