

Gerund – 8.7.26. In each of the sentences below, identify the gerund and state its specific function in the sentence.

1. Swimming daily is an excellent way to stay in shape.
2. The teacher does not permit talking during the examination.
3. I appreciate your helping me with this difficult assignment.
4. The car's dirty interior needs washing immediately.
5. He saved the child by jumping into the raging river.
6. Her favorite leisure activity is gardening.
7. The constant barking of a dog kept the entire neighborhood awake.
8. I simply cannot stand waiting in long lines at the grocery store.
9. Your excuse, lying about the traffic, will not satisfy the manager.
10. The young prodigy devoted all her free time to painting.
11. Before leaving the house, please make sure all the windows are locked.
12. Most of the students in the class thoroughly enjoy reading historical fiction.
13. She left the room without saying a single word to anyone.
14. The doctor strongly advised exercising for at least thirty minutes a day.
15. He had a strong feeling of guilt about breaking the antique vase.

Rewrite the sentence using gerund.

1. To give is better than to receive.
2. To help the needy is our great duty.
3. To talk too much is not a sign of intelligence.
4. To scold her lover over trifles is her habit.
5. To stand first in the class is his aim.

Q. Find out the error part of the following sentences:

1. Imagine (1)/ to live with someone (2)/ who never (3)/stops talking. (4)/No error (5)
2. He is (1)/thinking of (2)/ to leave this job (3)/ and going abroad (4)/No error (5)
3. He preferred (1)/playing football (2)/to study (3)/his lessons. (4)/No error (5)
4. I have (1)/no objection (2)/ to your lived (3)/here. (4)/No error (5)
5. Veena does not (1)/approve of (2)/her husband working (3)/as a teacher. (4)/No error (5)