

GERUND

Main theme	In this lesson, you will learn about gerund. Verbs
addressed	that are to be used with an – ING form.
Key Goals	Here is an outline of what you will learn today:
	1. Expressing likes and dislikes
	2. The -ing form to talk about activities

Gerund is a word ending in "-ing" that is made from a verb and used like a noun.

A gerund can be either the subject or object of a sentence in English.

Example:

'Swimming is fun' or 'I enjoy swimming'. (definition from Cambridge Dictionary)

1. Expressing likes and dislikes

We can use certain verbs (e.g. like) with an – ING form.

For example:

I like listening to music.

Here is a list of some of these verbs:

lik	e	enjoy	love	keep	finish	stop	mind	hate
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- She doesn't like cooking.
- Do you **enjoy** driving?
- They **love** living in a village.
- He keeps saying the same things many times.
- Have you finished eating?
- Suddenly she **stopped** talking.
- I don't mind waiting.
- She hates using the hairdryer.

In English this is called **GERUND** – this is when a **word is form with verbs** but it has **the function o a noun** in a sentence.

Exercise:					
Put in the correct form of the verb in brackets:					
For example: I can't imagine living in the country. (live)					
1.	The buses stop	at midnight. (run)			
2.	They usually finish	at 9.00 in the evening. (eat)			
3.	You shouldn't avoid	about your problems. (talk)			
4.	I keep	_ the same stupid mistakes. (make)			
5.	I can't help	your birthday, I'm really sorry. (forget)			

Answers:

- 1. running
- 2. eating
- 3. talking
- 4. making
- 5. forgetting





We use LIKE + ING (like listening, like working) to talk about things that we enjoy doing.

We use WOULD LIKE TO to say that we want to do something:

Examples:

She **likes paintings** pictures (She **enjoys** painting pictures.) She **would like to be** an artist (She **wants** to be an artist.)

Exercise:				
Complete the sentences using LIKE / NOT LIKE + ING or WOULD LIKE + TO				
with the words in brackets.				
For example:				
She (work) here and s	he's going to look for a better job.			
She doesn't like working here and she's looking for a better job.				
(you / watch) a differe	ent TV series or do you want to			
watch this one?				
Would you like to watch a different TV series or do you want to watch this one?				
1. I (live) here. I have	lived here for many years and I			
think it's a nice town.				
2. Sarah (be) a hairdr	esser when she leaves school.			
3. I (get up) so early e	every morning, but I have to do it.			
4 (go out) for dinner i	n an Indian restaurant tonight?			
5. Clare (find) a job in	the United States; she wants to			
work in New York or Boston.				
6. I (be) online all the	time; I think it's a waste of time.			



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Answers:

- 1. like living
- 2. would like to be
- 3. don't like getting up
- 4. would you like
- 5. would like to
- 6. don't like

We use GO + - ING for sports and hobbies that we go out to do, and with SHOPPING:

- We often **go skiing** in the winter.
- Let's **go swimming** this afternoon.
- She goes dancing at weekends.
- I'm going shopping this afternoon.





Exercise:

Look at the pictures. They show what John and Ann did last week on their holiday. Complete the sentences using the correct form of GO and a verb from below:

Dance, shop, sail, swim, club, cycle

 Monday (Ann)
 Tuesday (John)
 Wednesday (John)

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 3. On Thursday _______.

 4. On Friday _______.

 5. On Saturday ______.



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Answers:

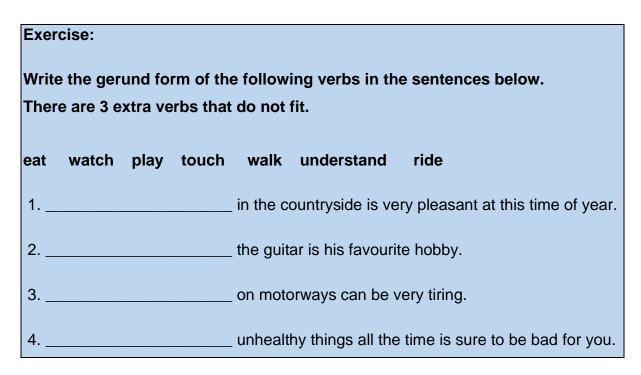
- 1. he went sailing
- 2. he went swimming
- 3. they went dancing
- 4. he went cycling
- 5. they went clubbing

2. The -ing form to talk about activities

We can use the -ing form of a verb as the subject of a sentence to talk about activities:

Example:

Swimming is a healthy activity.







Answers:

- 1. Walking
- 2. Playing
- 3. Riding
- 4. Eating

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