

WORKSHEET 12	-ing form / Infinitive
Name: _____ No.: _____ Class: _____	

1. Fill in the missing parts in the table. Check *EmPower your Learning* on page 185.

We use the <i>-ing form</i> :	
a) after verbs that express preference, such as: <i>love, like, dislike, hate, prefer...</i>	Most people dislike _____ (<i>work</i>) till late in the evening.
b) after prepositions	Are you interested in _____ (<i>share</i>) your office?
c) after certain verbs: <i>admit, avoid, consider, deny, fancy, involve, mention, spend, suggest...</i>	He admitted _____ (<i>fire</i>) the employee with no real explanation.
d) after certain expressions: <i>it's no use, look forward to, can't help, can't stand, have difficulty (in)...</i>	I can't stand _____ (<i>sit</i>) next to people smoking.
e) as a noun	_____ (<i>have</i>) a stable for-life job is a thing of the past.

2. Fill in the missing parts in the table.

We use the infinitive with <i>to</i> after:	
a) Certain verbs such as: <i>agree, appear, arrange, choose, decide, expect, hope, learn, need, offer, plan, promise, refuse, want, wish...</i>	I chose _____ (<i>work</i>) overtime. I needed the money.
b) Some adjectives: <i>happy, glad, sorry, pleased, anxious, willing, clever, lucky, fortunate...</i>	I am glad _____ (<i>help</i>) you.
c) <i>too</i> + adjective	I'm too young _____ (<i>apply</i>) for any job.
d) adjective + <i>enough</i>	I'm fit enough _____ (<i>swim</i>) 200 m butterfly.
e) Expressions: <i>would like, would prefer</i>	I would prefer _____ (<i>do</i>) his job.
We use the infinitive without <i>to</i> (or bare infinitive) after:	
f) Modal verbs: <i>can, could, may, might, shall, should, will, would, must</i>	I can _____ (<i>speak</i>) for myself.
g) <i>Make</i> and <i>let</i>	The boss made the employees _____ (<i>work</i>) extra time. Some employers don't let their employees _____ (<i>talk</i>) while they're working.
h) Expressions like: <i>would rather</i>	I'd rather _____ (<i>go</i>) to the cinema than staying home watching TV.

3. Circle the correct form: **verb + infinitive** or **verb + -ing form**.

- Tom needs **to work** / **working** harder.
- He hopes **meeting** / **to meet** his boss at the party.
- Stop **tease** / **teasing** him!
- I can't help **to laugh** / **laughing** when I see him.