

Verb + to-Infinitive

want, decide, hope, agree, refuse and more. 4 exercises + answer key

NAME _____ DATE _____

KEY RULE:

These verbs are always followed by to + base verb: want, decide, hope, agree, refuse, manage, promise, plan, choose, expect.

1 Exercise 1 EASY Choose: base verb / -ing / to-infinitive.

Word bank: to have / to accept / to become / to meet / to help / to finish / to come / to study / to travel / to be

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| 1. I want ____ a coffee, please. (have / having / to have) | 2. She decided ____ the job. (accept / accepting / to accept) |
| 3. He hopes ____ a doctor one day. (become / becoming / to become) | 4. They agreed ____ earlier. (meet / meeting / to meet) |
| 5. She refused ____ me. (help / helping / to help) | 6. I managed ____ it on time. (finish / finishing / to finish) |
| 7. He promised ____ back soon. (come / coming / to come) | 8. She plans ____ abroad next year. (study / studying / to study) |
| 9. They chose ____ by train. (travel / travelling / to travel) | 10. I expect ____ there by 6pm. (be / being / to be) |

2 Exercise 2 MEDIUM Write the to-infinitive form of the verb in brackets.

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| 1. She wants (go) ____ to Paris. | 2. He decided (sell) ____ his car. |
| 3. I hope (pass) ____ the exam. | 4. They agreed (split) ____ the bill. |
| 5. She refused (answer) ____ the question. | 6. He managed (open) ____ the stuck window. |
| 7. I promised (be) ____ on time. | 8. She plans (visit) ____ her parents next month. |
| 9. He chose (stay) ____ at home. | 10. I expect (hear) ____ from them soon. |

3 Exercise 3 HARD Choose the correct form: -ing or to-infinitive.

Word bank: playing / to buy / writing / to take / to book / closing / to get / meeting / to come / taking

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| 1. I enjoy ____ chess in the evenings. (play / to play / playing) | 2. She wants ____ a new laptop. (buy / to buy / buying) |
| 3. He finished ____ the report at midnight. (write / to write / writing) | 4. They decided ____ a different route. (take / to take / taking) |
| 5. I'd like ____ a table for two. (book / to book / booking) | 6. Do you mind ____ the window? (close / to close / closing) |
| 7. He hopes ____ into a good university. (get / to get / getting) | 8. She avoided ____ him at the party. (meet / to meet / meeting) |
| 9. I promised ____ back by 10pm. (come / to come / coming) | 10. He suggested ____ the earlier train. (take / to take / taking) |

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Exercise 4

HARDER

Write the correct form of the verb in brackets.

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| 1. She agreed (help) ____ us move house. | 2. He kept (interrupt) ____ me while I was speaking. |
| 3. I expect (finish) ____ the project by Friday. | 4. She avoided (answer) ____ my question. |
| 5. He managed (find) ____ a parking space. | 6. I look forward to (see) ____ you next week. |
| 7. She refused (sign) ____ the contract. | 8. He suggested (order) ____ food online. |
| 9. We plan (travel) ____ in September. | 10. I miss (live) ____ near the sea. |

Answer Key

Check your answers below

1 Exercise 1 Easy: to-infinitive form

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| 1 to have | 6 to finish |
| 2 to accept | 7 to come |
| 3 to become | 8 to study |
| 4 to meet | 9 to travel |
| 5 to help | 10 to be |

2 Exercise 2 Medium: write the to-infinitive

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| 1 to go | 6 to open |
| 2 to sell | 7 to be |
| 3 to pass | 8 to visit |
| 4 to split | 9 to stay |
| 5 to answer | 10 to hear |

3 Exercise 3 Hard: -ing or to-infinitive

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| 1 playing | 6 closing |
| 2 to buy | 7 to get |
| 3 writing | 8 meeting |
| 4 to take | 9 to come |
| 5 to book | 10 taking |

4 Exercise 4 Harder: correct form

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| 1 to help | 6 seeing |
| 2 interrupting | 7 to sign |
| 3 to finish | 8 ordering |
| 4 answering | 9 to travel |
| 5 to find | 10 living |