

Introduction: A gerund is a verb in its -ing form that functions as a noun. Gerunds can be used as subjects, objects, or complements in a sentence. In this lesson, we will focus on using gerunds with the following verbs: like, love, enjoy, avoid, hate, and dislike.

Examples:

I like swimming.

She loves cooking.

They enjoy dancing.

Exercise 1: Classification Exercise:

Classify the following verbs as verbs of preference or dislike:

avoid like love hate dislike enjoy

Preference	Dislike

Exercise 2: Multiple Choice: Choose the correct gerund form to complete each sentence.

1. She loves _____ in her free time.
a) to read b) reading
2. I hate _____ early in the morning
a) waking up b) to wake up
3. They enjoy _____ new places.
a) to visit b) visiting
4. We dislike _____ in crowded places.
a) to eat b) eating
5. He avoids _____ too much coffee.
a) to drink b) drinking

Exercise 3: Gap Fill: Fill in the blanks with a verb (in gerund form) suitable for each sentence.

1. My sister really likes _____ movies.
2. We enjoy _____ around the world.
3. I hate _____ the house.
4. She avoids _____ up late at night.
5. They love _____ to music.

Exercise 4: Find the errors: Identify the errors in each sentence and correct them.

1. She's loving to sing songs.
2. I dislike to work on weekends.
3. They're avoiding to use plastic bags.
4. We enjoy to play board games.
5. He hate waiting in long lines.

Answers: Exercise 1:

Verbs of preference: like, love, enjoy

Verbs of dislike: avoid, hate, dislike

Exercise 2:

1. b) reading
2. a) waking up
3. b) visiting
4. b) eating
5. b) drinking

Exercise 3:

1. watching
2. traveling
3. cleaning
4. staying
5. listening

Exercise 4:

1. She loves singing songs.
2. I dislike working on weekends.
3. They avoid using plastic bags.
4. We enjoy playing board games.
5. He hates waiting in long lines.