

# UNIT 8 Grammar practice

## Gerund: a verb as a noun; infinitive of purpose

### 1 Correct *eight* more mistakes in the dialogue.

- A: I'm thinking about ~~to go~~<sup>going</sup> travelling around Europe this summer before starting college. I want to leave straight after to finish my exams.
- B: Good idea. To go by train is a cheap way of seeing lots of different places.
- A: Yes, I went online to look at some websites. I want seeing all the major tourist attractions in every country.
- B: Don't forget keeping some money for food and accommodation.
- A: To work abroad is another possibility. I was thinking about to teach English in a language school.
- B: Hmm, I think you might be too young working in a language school. You'd also need to get a teaching qualification before to go anywhere.

## Prepositions, adjectives, *too* & *enough*

### 2 Complete the sentences with *two* words each. Use the words in bold.

- He's *too tired* to go out this evening. (**tired**)
- I haven't got ..... to go on holiday this year. (**money**)
  - I want to visit Singapore ..... to Australia. (**going**)
  - She ran ..... to win the race. (**slowly**)
  - It ..... to travel first class on the train. (**expensive**)
  - ..... saving money, you also meet lots of people when you stay in youth hostels. (**apart**)

## Verbs + gerund or infinitive

### 3 Rewrite the sentences using the words in bold.

- We won't be able to go mountain climbing in this weather. (**manage**)  
*We won't manage to go mountain climbing in this weather.*
- They like travelling first class instead of economy. (**prefer**)  
 .....
  - James doesn't normally stay in noisy hotels. (**avoids**)  
 .....
  - 'I won't swim in that pool,' said Rachel. (**refused**)  
 .....

- 'OK, we'll buy a new car,' said John. (**agreed**)  
 .....
  - Martin has got accustomed to sleeping in a tent. (**used to**)  
 .....
  - Sima doesn't like eating foreign food. (**can't stand**)  
 .....
- ### 4 Translate the sentences into your language.
- The police stopped the boy to tell him that his bike light was broken.  
 .....
  - The police have stopped checking drivers' speed on this road.  
 .....
  - I regret to inform you that the restaurant is closed.  
 .....
  - He regretted telling his girlfriend the truth about his holiday.  
 .....
  - Our neighbour remembered to feed our dog while we were away.  
 .....
  - My grandfather remembers meeting Ernest Hemingway when he was young.  
 .....

## Consolidation

### 5 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

- I like to meet people *who will teach me about their culture.*
- When I go abroad, I really look forward to .....  
 .....
  - When I'm older, I'd like to go .....  
 .....
  - If I won the lottery, I .....  
 .....

### 6 Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence. Use the words in bold.

- We haven't confirmed our departure date yet. (**hasn't**)  
 Our departure date *hasn't been confirmed yet.*
- 'Why don't you go on holiday to Greece?' said Costa. (**suggested**)  
 Costa .....
  - You're tired because you stay up all night studying. (**didn't**)  
 If .....
  - I found the accent really hard to understand at first, but now I don't. (**used**)  
 I .....
  - Were you able to buy the tickets? (**manage**)  
 Did .....

