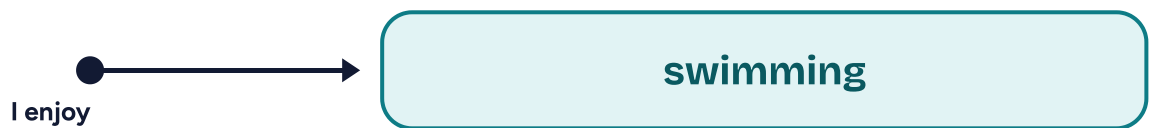


Verbs Followed by -ing

After some verbs, the next verb takes the **-ing** form (the gerund): *I enjoy swimming. She avoided answering. Have you finished eating?* These verbs usually talk about an activity itself: liking it, avoiding it, finishing it. Common ones: **enjoy, avoid, finish, mind, suggest, keep, consider, practise, miss, can't stand.**

I **enjoy swimming** in the sea.



1. Choose the right answer Circle a or b.

1. I really enjoy _____ new recipes.
a) trying b) to try
2. Would you mind _____ the window?
a) to open b) opening
3. She avoided _____ the question.
a) answering b) to answer
4. We've finished _____ the kitchen.
a) to paint b) painting
5. He keeps _____ the same mistake.
a) making b) to make

2. Correct the mistake

Each sentence has one mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. I enjoy to swim.

2. He suggested to go by train.

3. Do you mind to wait?

3. Your turn

Write three sentences of your own that use this rule. You can use these phrases.

I don't mind...

Do you fancy...?

It's worth...

It's no use...

There's no point (in)...

I can't help...

See the rule move

The full lesson, with more pictures, examples and a quiz that checks your answers, is free at clarigram.app/gerund-infinitive/verbs-with-ing

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1. Choose the right answer

1. **a) trying** Enjoy is followed by -ing.
2. **b) opening** Mind is followed by -ing.
3. **a) answering** Avoid is followed by -ing.
4. **b) painting** Finish is followed by -ing.
5. **a) making** Keep is followed by -ing.

2. Correct the mistake

1. **I enjoy swimming.** Enjoy is followed by -ing.
2. **He suggested going by train.** Suggest takes -ing (or a that-clause), never to.
3. **Do you mind waiting?** Mind is followed by -ing.

3. Your turn

Answers will vary. Check that each sentence follows the rule on page 1, or paste them into Clarigram to have them checked.