

Gerunds and Infinitives

Part A

Underline the correct answers.

1. It's very kind of you (sharing / to share) your views about the new canteen.
2. The class stopped (to talk / talking) when their class teacher came in.
3. I can't help (shedding / to shed) tears when I watch sad films.
4. Christina has no difficulty (to deal / dealing) with this tough maths question.
5. Don't forget (to switch / switching) off the lights before you leave the classroom.
6. All the students are busy (preparing / prepare) for their final exam.
7. Ivy managed (finish / to finish) the exam paper within the time limit.
8. The burglars attempted (to break / break) into the villa last night.

Part B

Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the given verbs.

1. No matter how difficult life was, he did not give up playing (play) the piano.
2. Mrs Lam remembered locking (lock) all the doors and windows before leaving the house, but the door was opened when she came back.
3. The government encourages the citizens to vote (vote).
4. He never regretted quitting (quit) his job and starting (start) his own business.
5. The TV drama series is so hilarious that it always makes me laugh (laugh).
6. After sending the job application letters to the companies, he could do nothing but wait (wait) for replies.
7. Teenagers should avoid wasting (waste) too much time playing (play) computer games.
8. There's no point skipping (skip) your lunch every day to save (save) money for a designer handbag.

Part C

Brian has just returned home from a trip to Hong Kong. He is writing a letter to the editor of a travel magazine to share his experience in Hong Kong. Complete the letter for him with the given words.

Dear Editor,

I come from Liverpool and I've just finished my 10-day trip in Hong Kong. **1. I would like to share my views on Hong Kong** (I / would like / share / my views on Hong Kong).

Firstly, I appreciate the high working efficiency of Hong Kong people a lot. **2. I cannot stand waiting at the airport** (I / cannot stand / wait at the airport) but

3. I remember spending only a short period of time on picking up my luggage
_____ (I / remember / spend only a short period of time on /

pick up my luggage) when I arrived at the terminal in the Hong Kong airport. Besides, it's convenient to travel around Hong Kong because **4. the well-developed public transportation system enables people to get everywhere easily**

_____ (the well-developed public transportation system / enable people / get everywhere easily).

Despite all the nice things about Hong Kong, **5. I cannot help complaining about the serious air pollution in the city** (I / cannot help / complain about the serious air pollution in the city). It was so hazy that I could not see the

other side of the harbour on the day **6. I planned to take a cruise in Victoria Harbour**
_____ (I / plan / take a cruise in Victoria Harbour). Moreover,

7. the dirty air in the city centre made me cough
_____ (the dirty air in the city centre / make me / cough) when I was walking in the streets.

8. It is important for the government to control the air pollution in Hong Kong
_____ (It is important / for the government / control

the air pollution in Hong Kong). **9. I look forward to visiting a cleaner Hong Kong in the future** (I / look forward to / visit a cleaner Hong Kong / in the near future).

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