

VERB PATTERNS

VERB + TO INFINITIVE
AFFORD
AGREE
APPEAR
ARRANGE
ASK
ATTEMPT
BEG
CHOOSE
DARE
DECIDE
DEMAND
DESERVE
EXPECT
FAIL
HESITATE
HOPE
INTEND
LEARN
MANAGE
MEAN
NEED
OFFER
PREPARE
PRETEND
PROMISE
REFUSE
SEEM
THREATEN
WAIT
WANT
WISH
WOULD LIKE

VERB + ING
ADMIT
ADVISE
AVOID
CAN'T HELP
CAN'T IMAGINE
CAN'T STAND
CONSIDER
DELAY
DENY
DISCUSS
DISLIKE
DON'T MIND
DREAD
ENCOURAGE
ENJOY
FINISH
GIVE UP
HATE
IMAGINE
INVOLVE
KEEP
MENTION
MISS
POSTPONE
PRACTICE
QUIT
START
SUGGEST

GERUND	INFINITIVE
As subject in a sentence -Smoking is bad	After some adjectives -It is nice to travel
After prepositions -Thank you for coming	Purpose Infinitives -I went to the shops to buy bread
After BE y GET USED TO -I got used to running	

VERBO + ING /TO INFINITIVE (NO GREAT DIFFERENCE IN MEANING)	
ING Emphasises the action or event in itself	
INFINITIVE Emphasises the result of the action	
BEGIN	PREFER
HATE	START
LIKE	LOVE

VERBO + OBJECT + TO INFINITIVE	
ADVISE	ALLOW
ASK	AUTHORIZE
BEG	CHOOSE
ENCOURAGE	FORCE
HELP	HIRE
INSPIRE	INVITE
NEED	ORDER
PERSUADE	PICK
REMIND	SEND
TEACH	TELL
WANT	WARN
WATCH	

VERBO + ING (CHANGE IN MEANING)	VERBO + TO INFINITIVE (CHANGE IN MEANING)
I remember swimming in the lake as a child (recall an event)	Remember to buy bread for lunch (bear in mind)
I will never forget Swimming in the lake as a child (remember)	Don't forget to buy bread for lunch (bear in mind)
I went on talking to myself all the way home (kept talking)	After running I went on to swim (changed activity)
I regret telling her about my secret (I shouldn't have)	I regret to tell you that you have failed the exam (bad news)
He stopped eating chocolate (gave up)	He stopped to eat some chocolate (change of activity)
I tried opening the bottle with my teeth (experimented)	Jane tried to pass her driving test (did her best)
We were confined, which meant staying at home (involved)	We meant to stay home, but I couldn't (intended to)