



Advanced Verb Formation

Verb formation is necessary when we have more than one main verb in the sentence. Some verbs use two forms but the meaning changes.

Infinitive	To + infinitive	Gerund
Forget	Didn't complete the activity <i>I forgot to write that report</i>	Completed the activity but don't have memory of it <i>I forgot writing that report</i>
Go on	Changes in the future to something different <i>She went on to be CEO</i>	Continues same activity in the future as now <i>She went on being CEO</i>
Quit	Stopped another activity in order to do this <i>He quit to work here</i>	Stopped this activity <i>He quit working here</i>
Regret	About to tell you the bad news <i>I regret to tell you that you failed</i>	Already told you the bad news but feel guilty about it <i>I regret telling you that you failed</i>
Remember	Checklist of activities to complete <i>I remembered to visit my mum</i>	A happy memory of a past event <i>I remembered visiting my mum</i>
Try	Difficult to do but you attempt it <i>She tried to close the door</i>	List of potential solutions to fix a problem <i>She tried closing the door</i>
Stop	Stopped another activity in order to do this <i>I stopped to eat lunch at 12pm</i>	Stopped this activity <i>I stopped eating lunch at 12pm</i>

- △ Need and mean are also used differently with these verb forms
- △ Some verbs don't change their meaning with two or more verb forms