

Error Correction

Look at each sentence. They are all incorrect. Explain why the sentence is incorrect and write the correct sentence in the spaces provided.

- 1) My boss is going to be so mad. I was supposed to write the report and hand it in today but I forgot completing it.

EXPLANATION

We use **forget to + infinitive** to say the action didn't happen because you didn't remember.

CORRECT SENTENCE

My boss is going to be so mad. I was supposed to write the report and hand it in today but I forgot to complete it.

- 2) I enjoy spending time to go to the cinema with my husband.

EXPLANATION

Spend time is followed by **gerund**.

CORRECT SENTENCE

I enjoy spending time going to the cinema with my husband.

- 3) I'm really happy in our house at the moment. We've lived here for the past 10 years and I hope we will go on to live here for the next 10 years too.

EXPLANATION

We use **go on + gerund** to express "continue"

CORRECT SENTENCE

I'm really happy in our house at the moment. We've lived here for the past 10 years and I hope we will go on living here for the next 10 years too.

- 4) I'm working at ABC at the moment but I hate my job so I'm going to quit to work here and find a new company.

EXPLANATION

We use quit + gerund to express stopping the action you're talking about.

CORRECT SENTENCE

I'm working at ABC at the moment but I hate my job so I'm going to quit working here and find a new company.

- 5) It's no use to complain about it.

EXPLANATION

It's no use is followed by gerund.

CORRECT SENTENCE

It's no use complaining about it.

- 6) It's too hot in this room. I've tried to open the window but it hasn't made any difference.

EXPLANATION

We use try + gerund to express a potential solution to a problem.

CORRECT SENTENCE

It's too hot in this room. I've tried opening the window but it hasn't made any difference.

7) We strive being better in our company.

EXPLANATION

Strive is followed by to + infinitive.

CORRECT SENTENCE

We strive to be better in our company.

8) I adore to spend time with my family.

EXPLANATION

Adore is followed by gerund.

CORRECT SENTENCE

I adore spending time with my family.

9) Your homework needs to do.

EXPLANATION

Need is followed by gerund to express the passive form.

CORRECT SENTENCE

Your homework needs doing.

10) I completely forgot! I meant telling you that Sally broke up with Wayne.

EXPLANATION

Mean is followed by to + infinitive in the past form to express a past intention that will now be fulfilled.

CORRECT SENTENCE

I completely forgot! I meant to tell you that Sally broke up with Wayne.