

Fill in the Blanks With Infinitive, Gerund, Participle**1] Find out the sentence where gerund is used:**

- (A) Sujatha is wealthy but she is not generous
- (B) We sat on the floor
- (C) Writing is always better than to read**
- (D) She is a teacher and a singer

Explanation

In our previous notes, we have discussed and given brief explanation about Gerund, Infinitive & Participle. Out of above options, the word **writing** is Gerund (verb + ing = write + ing). Thus option C is correct.

2] Identify the gerund form from the options given below:

- (A) Keeping left is always safe**
- (B) To find fault with others is easy
- (C) David wants to study Biology
- (D) He likes to read science fiction

Explanation

The word **keeping** is **Gerund**, whereas keep + ing = Keeping. Thus Option A is right answer.

3] Choose the gerund from the following sentences.

- (A) I saw a man running along the road
- (B) Seeing the tiger he ran away
- (C) Hearing a loud sound, they rushed out
- (D) Reading story books gives pleasure**

Explanation

This question is bit complicated, if you don't have knowledge about Gerund and Present Participle. Commonly, Gerund means verb + ing whereas the verb should acts as a noun in a sentence. But here the word '**seeing the tiger**' and '**hearing a loud sound**' are present participle(continuing action), whereas **reading story books** gives verb on action.

The word **reading** is **Gerund**, whereas verb +ing = read + ing. So the right answer is option **D**.

4] Fill in the blanks with suitable gerund.

.....is a good exercise.

- (A) To swim

(B) Swimming

(C) To go swimming

(D) To do swimming

Explanation

Here the word **swimming** is Gerund and its apt answer for the given question. Few more pts about Gerund can be effectively used when actions are real & fixed.

5] Fill in the blank with the right participle. Choosing from the given options.

.....by hunger, he stole a piece of bread.

(A) Driving

(B) Driven

(C) To Drive

(D) Drove

Explanation

Generally the participle are 2 types such as Present Participle and Past Participle.

The Present Participle (present continuing action) is a verb that ends with -ing

The Past Participle (past continuing action) is a verb which ends with -ed, -d, -t, -en, & -n.

Here the option B comes under past participle whereas the verb ends with -n.

Driving is Gerund, **to drive** is infinitive and **drove** is past tense. So obviously the option B is correct.

6] Pick out the sentence that contains a gerund :**(A) Swimming is a good exercise**

(B) After finishing the work, he went on a vacation

(C) Hearing the noise, the boy woke up

(D) Having rested, we continued our journey

Explanation

Option B, C & D are continuing action. So option A is correct answer.

Option B & C are present participle and Option D is past participle.

Swim + ing = verb +ing.

7] Fill in the blank with the option containing an infinitive:

She refused 'no' for an answer

- (A) take
- (B) taking
- (C) to take**
- (D) took

Explanation

Option A is present tense, Option B is Gerund/present participle. and Option D is past tense.

Thus the **infinitive** is to take(to + verb) .

8] Find out the sentence where gerund is used.

- (A) He agreed to buy a computer
- (B) To walk is a good exercise
- (C) She is a singer and dancer
- (D) I enjoy writing stories for children**

Explanation

The word **writing** gives verb +ing = write + ing is Gerund. So option D is right answer.

9] In which of the following sentence infinitive is used?

- (A) Walking is a good exercise
- (B) Reading story books gives pleasure
- (C) To err is human**
- (D) Can you teach painting?

Explanation

Here Option C is correct answer, because '**To err**' gives infinitive as to + verb = to + err.

Many don't know the meaning of the word **err**. **Err** means to make mistake (or) error. Thus the sentences gives the meaning as follows,

'To make mistake is human'.

10] Find the correct sentence where the 'present participle form' is used.

- (A) This is a dancing doll**
- (B) Seema is crying now
- (C) My mother bought a wet grinder
- (D) These are rotten fruits

Explanation

Option C and D are clearly irrelevant. Option B is Gerund based sentence. Option A is right answer because, it still dances and its work is dancing. So it is present participle with continuing action.

11] Match the words under Column 'A' with the suitable infinitives under Column 'B' and select the right option from the codes given below:

Column A	Column B
(a) The parcel was heavy	1. to wear
(b) These clothes are comfortable	2. to learn
(c) English is easy	3. to follow
(d) Her speech was difficult	4. to carry

(a) (b) (c) (d)

(A) 4 1 2 3

(B) 3 2 1 4

(C) 2 4 3 1

(D) 1 2 3 4

Explanation

It's easy to match with their relevant **infinitive**.

Right answers:

The parcel was heavy **to carry**

These clothes are comfortable **to wear**

English is easy **to learn**

Her speech was difficult **to follow**.

12] Fill in the blank with a suitable Gerund

—tigers is a popular sport in this country.

(A) To hunt

(B) Hunting

(C) Hunted

(D) Hunt

Explanation

Gerund is **hunting** = **hunt** + **ing** (verb + ing). Option A is infinitive, option C is past participle and option D is past tense. But option **B** suits well.

13] Fill in the blank with the suitable participle form of the verb

I saw the storm—

(A) had approached

(B) approaching

(C) was approach

(D) approaches

Explanation

Option B represents present participle. Although the verb **saw** is past tense. But the storm is presently approaching. So it is present participle. No word ends with with -ed, -d, -t, -en, & -n. so it is not past participle.

14] Fill in the blank with an appropriate infinitive.

He refused — the orders.

(A) obey

(B) obeying

(C) to obey

(D) obeyed

Explanation

Infinitive clearly gives the answer with option **C**. Because 'to +verb' gives '**to obey**'.

15] Fill in the blank with a suitable gerund.

—well is an art.

(A) To cook

(B) Having cooked

(C) Cooking

(D) Cook

Explanation

Cooking = cook + ing is Gerund(verb + ing) . So option C is right answer.

16] Fill in the blanks with a gerund.

— is his favourite pastime.

(A) To read

(B) Reading

(C) The read

(D) Read

Explanation

Reading = Read + ing is Gerund(verb + ing) . So option B is right answer.

17] Which one of the following has the correct infinitive?

(A) Music hath charms to soothe the savage beast

(B) Music hath charms to soothing the savage beast

(C) Music hath charms to having soothe the savage beast

(D) Music hath charms to having soothing the savage beast

Explanation

The word **to soothe** is infinitive(to + verb). So option A is correct answer.

18] Choose the option containing the correct sequence of words suiting the given passage :

The benefit of — is not only — our body but also — us happy in — our health always.

1. to keep 2. to develop

3. exercising 4. maintaining

(A) 4 3 2 1

(B) 3 2 1 4

(C) 1 2 3 4

(D) 2 4 3 1

Explanation

Here 2 gerund and 2 infinitive are used. According to the given passage, option B is right answer.

Corrected sentence:

The benefit of **exercising** is not only **to develop** our body but also **to keep** us happy in **maintaining** our health always.

19] Choose the correct sequence of words from the options given below :

While — to the actors, the Director said, "You realize that — is not easy. You need — according to the situation — the nature of the character".

1. to reveal 2. to act 3. acting 4 . speaking

(A) 4 3 2 1

(B) 3 4 1 2

(C) 2 1 4 3

(D) 1 2 3 4

Explanation

Here no need of explanation for this kind of question. It's quite easy to answer.

Corrected sentence:

While **speaking** to the actors, the Director said, "You realize that **acting** is not easy. You need **to act** according to the situation **to reveal** the nature of the character".

20] Fill in the blank with a suitable infinitive :

This medicine is pleasant—.

(A) to have taken

(B) to had taken

(C) to take

(D) none of these

Explanation

Option C is right because infinitive means to + verb. Here verb is **take**. So the answer is to + take = to take.

21] Match Column A with Column B to form gerunds in sentences :

Column A	Column B
(a) Eating too much	1. is forbidden
(b) Swimming	2. is dangerous
(c) Playing on the street	3. is bad for health
(d) Walking on the roof	4. is a pleasant hobby

(a) (b) (c) (d)

(A) 4 3 1 2

(B) 3 4 2 1

(C) 2 3 4 1

(D) 1 4 3 2

Explanation

The column A with option a – (Eating too much) matches with column B with number 3 – (is bad for health).

Eating too much is bad for health.

Likewise, The column A with option b – (swimming) matches with column B with number 4 – (is a pleasant hobby).

Swimming is a pleasant hobby

The column A with option c – (Playing on the street) matches with column B with number 2 – (is dangerous)

Playing on the street is dangerous.

The column A with option d – (walking on the roof) matches with the column B with number 1 – (is forbidden).

Walking on the roof is forbidden.