

FUMC ESL 6-26-2023 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Some students asked how to donate to the ESL program at the church in honor of Kathy Morales. The easiest way is to send a check to First Methodist Church Austin. On the FOR line on the bottom of the check write: TO ESL in honor of Kathy Morales.

This week is the last week of summer ESL. We will meet this Monday and Thursday. We will not meet during July or August. Fall ESL classes will begin on Thursday, September 7th. Please check the website for lessons which will be posted before the 7th.

We will not be sending out emails any more. You may keep up with the news about the class by checking the website or joining our facebook page.

Here is the link to join. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/254750441259695>

I will have to admit you, so please be sure you have a picture of yourself on your website so we can tell who you are. We get many, many requests to join by people who are not our students. We reserve this facebook page just for our students. If we don't recognize your name or your face, we will not admit you. The group is called FUMC AUSTIN ESL

I am happy for you to email me with questions as well. I will write my email address in the chat. I don't want to put it in this lesson because it is posted on the internet. You can also email me by clicking on the **contact us** link in the website. That will forward your email to me and I can reply.

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now. Tell something about your weekend.

Last Thursday we talked about verbs that are followed by infinitives and verbs followed by gerunds. I hope this will help end the confusion about this issue.

Verbs followed by an infinitive not a gerund. (This is not a complete list)

afford	agree	bother	claim	decide	hesitate
learn	offer	promise	fail	learn	forget
offer	prepare	pretend	threaten	volunteer	

Read the sentences. Ask the teacher if you don't understand the sentence or have questions.

1. I can't **afford to buy** a car right now. NOT I can't afford buying a car.
2. I **agree to pay** you to mow my yard. NOT I agree paying you to mow.
3. Don't **bother to sweep** the sidewalk. NOT Don't bother sweeping the sidewalk.
4. She **claims to know** his name. NOT She claims knowing his name.
5. We **decided to fly** home. NOT We decided flying home.
6. I **hesitated to give** the man a ride because I didn't know him at all. NOT I hesitated giving the man a ride.

7. I **learned to drive** while I was in the U.S. NOT I learned driving while I was in the U.S.
8. We **offered to buy** her a new computer. NOT We offered buying her a new computer.
9. She **promised to come** in April. NOT She promised coming in April.
10. He **failed to pay** his bills on time. NOT He failed paying his bills on time.
11. We **learned to play** the piano. NOT We learned playing the piano.
12. My son always **forgets to charge** his phone.
13. I **offered to take** the kids to school. NOT I offered taking the kids.
14. We **prepared to go** on our trip. NOT We prepared going on our trip.
15. The little girl **pretended to be** a princess. NOT The little girl pretended being a princess.
16. She **threatened to quit** school if we didn't buy her a car. NOT She threatened quitting school.
17. The man **volunteered to empty** the trash. NOT The man volunteered emptying the trash.

DISCUSS:

- a) Something you have volunteered to do.
- b) Something you have failed to do.
- c) Something you frequently forget to do.
- d) Some musical instrument you would like to learn to play.
- e) Something you have promised your friend or relative.
- f) When did you learn to drive? Do you like to drive?
- g) Something you hesitate to do.
- h) A household chore you don't bother to do regularly.
- i) Something you would like to have but can't afford to buy right now.

Verbs followed by Gerunds (This is not a complete list).

Read the sentences and ask questions about any you don't understand.

allow	suggest	stop	admit	resist	require
remember	regret	recommend	quit	propose	consider
practice	postpone	permit	need	miss	mind
mention	dislike	deny	keep	enjoy	avoid

1. Austin doesn't **allow smoking** in restaurants. NOT Austin doesn't allow to smoke in restaurants.
2. We **suggest staying** in the new hotel. NOT We suggest to stay in the new hotel.
3. The clock **stopped working** at midnight. NOT The clock stopped to work at midnight.

4. The criminal **admitted stealing** the cell phone. NOT The criminal admitted to steal.
5. I **resisted asking** for help. NOT I resisted to ask for help.
6. The rules **require living** in the U.S. five years. NOT The rules require to live in the U.S. for five years.
7. I **remember meeting** her last Christmas. NOT I remember to meet her last Christmas.
8. I **regret telling** her she shouldn't go to college. NOT I regret to tell her she shouldn't go.
9. We **recommend taking** the noon flight. NOT We recommend to take the noon flight.
10. You must **quit blaming** yourself for his problems. NOT You must quit to blame yourself.
11. She **proposed having** lunch before we go to the beach. NOT She proposed to have lunch before the beach.
12. Please **consider attending** the university. NOT Please consider to attend the university.
13. Sara **practices singing** every day. NOT Sara practices to sing every day.
14. They **postponed voting** on the new budget. NOT They postponed to vote on the new budget.
15. She doesn't **permit wearing** shoes indoors. NOT She doesn't permit to wear shoes indoors.
16. The floors **need cleaning**. NOT The floors need to clean.
17. NOTE: IF THE SUBJECT WAS A **PERSON**, YOU WOULD USE AN **INFINITIVE**. EX: I need to clean the floors.
18. I **miss going** on picnics with my family. NOT I miss to go on picnics.
19. Do you **mind picking** the children up after school? NOT Do you mind to pick the children up?
20. Stan **mentioned going** to the park with the kids. NOT Stan mentioned to go to the park.
21. I **dislike swimming** where there are sharks. NOT I dislike to swim where there are sharks.
22. The child **denies breaking** the lamp. NOT The child denies to break the lamp.
23. She **keeps interrupting** me. NOT She keeps to interrupt me.
24. He **enjoys studying** English. NOT He enjoys to study English.
25. We **avoid studying** grammar. NOT We avoid to study grammar.

DISCUSS:

- a) Who do you miss the most?
- b) What do you enjoy studying?
- c) Name something you do not allow in your house?
- d) Does it bother you if people interrupt you when you are talking?
- e) What is something you recommend all visitors to the U.S. do?
- f) What (not who) do you miss about your home country?
- g) Name something you practice every day.

h) What do you blame yourself for?

Verbs followed by either Gerunds OR infinitives (This is not a complete list)

Read the sentences and ask questions if you don't understand.

try	start	prefer	love	like
hate	hope			

Try using this key to open the lock. OR. **Try to use** this key to open the lock.

I **started studying** Spanish in elementary school. OR I **started to study** Spanish in elementary school.

Jon **prefers sitting** outside at restaurants. OR Jon **prefers to sit** outside at restaurants.

I **love swimming** in the lake. OR I **love to swim** in the lake.

He **likes listening** to music. OR He **likes to listen** to music.

I **hate going** to the dentist. OR I **hate to go** to the dentist.

NOTE: We can say, I **hope getting** a tutor will help my English. NOT I hope to get a tutor will help my English. OR We can say I **hope to learn** English well. NOT I hope learning English well.

WHETHER YOU USE AN INFINITIVE OR A GERUND AFTER HOPE DEPENDS ON WHAT THE INFINITIVE OR GERUND IS.

DISCUSS

- What do you like to listen to?
- Where do you hate going?
- What hope do you have for the future?
- Do you prefer sitting inside or outside at a restaurant?
- When did you start studying English?