



Three Wise Kangaroos

Test your gerund and infinitive verb patterns

1. I look forward to ____ up with my ex-classmates at the school reunion.
a) catch b) catching c) to catch
2. We can't really afford _____ a house, though it would be great to have more space.
a) buy b) buying c) to buy
3. He regrets _____ his kids tablets as their Christmas present. Now they don't want to play with anything else.
a) buy b) buying c) to buy
4. Now, let me _____ the drinks this time. You paid last time, as far as I remember.
a) get b) getting c) to get
5. I can't stand _____ to politicians arguing all the time. That's why I don't watch tv.
a) listen b) listening c) to listen
6. I suggest you _____ a naturopath for your problem with insomnia.
a) see b) seeing c) to see
7. They offered _____ us a lift home, which was very nice of them.
a) give b) giving c) to give
8. You deserve _____ punished for what you did. That was nasty.
a) be b) being c) to be
9. I didn't really want to sign the loyalty clause, but the company made me _____ it.
a) do b) doing c) to do
10. Do you fancy _____ out for a coffee after work?
a) go b) going c) to go
11. He stopped _____ many years ago. In fact, it was hypnosis that helped him.
a) smoke b) smoking c) to smoke



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12. The bank refused _____ them a mortgage.

- a) grant b) granting c) to grant

13. She denied _____ anything to do with the theft.

- a) have b) having c) to have

14. I don't mind _____ the ironing. I find it quite relaxing, in fact.

- a) do b) doing c) to do

15. If I were you, I'd avoid _____ through the city centre during peak hour. The traffic is bumper to bumper then.

- a) drive b) driving c) to drive

16. When I first arrived in the UK, I struggled _____ what people were saying as my English wasn't very strong then.

- a) understand b) understanding c) to understand

17. Don't hesitate _____ me if you have any questions.

- a) contact b) contacting c) to contact

18. Despite their incredible efforts, the doctors failed _____ his life.

- a) save b) saving c) to save

19. Would you risk _____ on holiday to North Korea?

- a) go b) going c) to go

20. Don't pretend _____ ill. You're perfectly fine. Now, go to school!

- a) be b) being c) to be