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# GRAMMAR QUIZ

## GERUNDS *and* INFINITIVES

4 Complete these sixteen sentences to score your knowledge of **GERUNDS** and **INFINITIVES**.

1. My friend really enjoys ... books and magazines.  
a) to read  
 b) reading  
c) to reads
2. ... enough sleep is very important for good health.  
 a) Getting  
b) Get  
c) Is getting
3. ... is not allowed inside the building. You should go outside.  
a) Smoke  
b) Smokes  
 c) Smoking
4. I love ... a cup of tea in the early afternoon.  
 a) to drink  
b) drink  
c) to drinking
5. Thomas usually ... TV after he gets home from school.  
 a) watches  
b) to watch  
c) watching
6. I really dislike ... on holidays and weekends.  
 a) working  
b) to work  
c) work
7. ... along the beach is a great way to relax.  
a) Walk  
 b) Walking  
c) Walks
8. (A) Do you like ... Italian food?  
(B) Yes, I do.  
a) eat  
b) to eating  
 c) to eat
9. I think that... a second language is fun.  
a) learn  
 b) learning  
c) to learning
10. Steven dislikes ... , so he usually takes a bus to work.  
a) to drive  
 b) diving  
c) drives
11. I like ..., but unfortunately I'm not very good at it.  
 a) to cook  
b) cook  
c) cooks
12. ... at this beach is not allowed after sunset.  
a) To swimming  
b) Swim  
 c) Swimming
13. Jennifer wants ... her friend in San Francisco next week.  
 a) to visit  
b) visits  
c) visiting
14. I ... one or two cups of coffee every morning.  
a) to drink  
b) drinking  
 c) drink
15. (A) Do you ... every day?  
(B) No, I don't.  
a) exercising  
 b) exercise  
c) to exercise
16. ... is a great exercise, but you should remember to wear a helmet.  
a) Cycles  
b) Cycle  
 c) Cycling

15 - 16 = Excellent

13 - 14 = Good

12 or Less = Study More!

1. Based on its use in paragraph 1, it can be inferred that the word propensity belongs to which of the following word groups?

- a. inclination, proclivity, tendency
- b. decision, action, affirmation
- c. ability, aptitude, capacity
- d. tug, gravity, pull

2. Based on information in the passage, it can be understood that something that is "hard-wired" into the brain is

- a. attached to the brain via physical wires
- b. a result of one's environment
- c. a product of the imagination
- d. an inborn trait

3. Which of the following sentences from the passage best summarizes the main idea of the passage?

- a. "Researchers at Compass Academy have been asking this question for the last eight months, and according to a recent experiment, they believe they have found an answer."
- b. "Given the right environmental conditions, anyone, even the most easygoing person, can quickly turn mean."
- c. "One team leader was actually recorded saying, "There's a reason I'm the boss here, buddy" when in actuality, there wasn't."
- d. "The belief that some people are born bullies is certainly shaken; it seems anyone can be a bully, no matter his or her background."

4. As used in paragraph 4, the word disparaging most nearly means

- a. inflicting physical harm
- b. verbally abusing
- c. challenging
- d. firmly replying