Gerund & infinitive rules

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Name: _____ Date: _____

1. Thank you for ___ me.

help / to help / helping

My answer: _____

2. I finished ___ the chapter.

reading / to read / read

My answer: _____

3. They offered ___ us.

helping / to help / help

My answer: _____

4. Which verb normally takes -ing?

Enjoy / Decide / Hope

My answer: _____

5. She is good at ___ clear notes.

to write / write / writing

My answer: _____

6. She is interested in ___ photography.

learn / learning / to learn

My answer: _____

7. My parents let me ___ their car.

use / to use / using

My answer: _____

8. You should ___ before you decide.

to think / thinking / think

My answer: _____

9. He made us ___ outside.

waiting / wait / to wait

My answer: _____

10. I went to the library ___ quietly.

to study / studying / study

My answer: _____

Answer key & explanations

1. **helping** — For is a preposition and is followed by an -ing form here.
2. **reading** — Finish takes an -ing complement.
3. **to help** — Offer takes a to-infinitive.
4. **Enjoy** — Enjoy doing; decide to do; hope to do.
5. **writing** — At is a preposition; use writing.
6. **learning** — After the preposition in, use the -ing form.
7. **use** — Let plus an object is followed by a bare infinitive.
8. **think** — Modal should takes the base verb without to.
9. **wait** — Active make plus an object takes a bare infinitive.
10. **to study** — A to-infinitive can express purpose: why I went there.