

1 Match the sentences (1–7) to the uses of the *-ing* form of the verb (A–C).

- A as the subject or object of a clause
 B after a preposition C after verbs of like or dislike

- Aren't you bored of going to the same places? ..B..
- I really love exploring new places.
- Living in a city can be stressful at times.
- I'm excited about having my own house.
- Designing a building must be difficult.
- Can you imagine hanging out with someone famous?
- I hate having to do homework every night.

2 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- Are you good at write / writing stories?
- To go / Going out is more fun than staying / stay at home.
- I don't mind doing / to do the washing up.
- Do you want coming / to come over on Sunday?
- I'm tired of wake / waking up so early.
- You can do it after you finish to tidy / tidying up your room.
- I would love to visit / visiting South Africa one day.

3 Match 1–6 to A–F.

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| 1 Not wanting to wake anyone up, <u>..B..</u> | A I sat down on a bench for a while. |
| 2 Growing up in the countryside, | B I got dressed quietly. |
| 3 Not knowing Hungarian, | C I had to borrow €20 from a friend. |
| 4 Feeling a little tired, | D I was always climbing trees. |
| 5 Being an only child, | E I had no idea what they were saying. |
| 6 Not having my wallet with me, | F I never had to share. |

4 Are the words in bold correct? Tick (✓) the correct sentences. Correct the incorrect sentences.

- I really enjoy **spend** time in the garden. ..X..
I really enjoy spending time in the garden.
- Martha said she would love **going** there one day.
- Visiting** the science fair sounds like a lot of fun.
- I'm looking forward to **seeing** you next week.
- Live** next to an airport can be noisy sometimes.

5 Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first. Use a participle clause.

- It was an old car. It didn't have GPS.
Being an old car, it didn't have GPS.
- I didn't have a coat with me. I decided to stay in the car.
, I decided to stay in the car.
- I walked onto the stage. I felt terrified.
, I felt terrified.
- I needed some help. I rang my friend Geoff.
, I rang my friend Geoff.
- He was quite old. He couldn't see very well.
, he couldn't see very well.
- I didn't want to seem rude. I stupidly said, 'Yes, I love mushrooms.'
, I stupidly said, 'Yes, I love mushrooms.'

6 Complete the conversation with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- Omar:** Look, it says here that ¹ *living* (live) on a houseboat is much cheaper than living in a normal house.
- Ted:** Would you like ² (live) on a houseboat?
- Omar:** I'm not sure. I think I'd get tired of ³ (be) on the water. What about you?
- Ted:** Well, ⁴ (have) a house that moves does sound fun, but I think they're quite small. You might ⁵ (not have) a lot of space. What about a castle?
- Omar:** A castle? I don't think I'd enjoy ⁶ (hear) spooky noises in the middle of the night.
- Ted:** But can you imagine ⁷ (wake up) every morning in a prince's bedroom?
- Omar:** Hmm, it's not really my thing.

1

- 2 C
- 3 A
- 4 B
- 5 A
- 6 A
- 7 C

2

- 2 going, staying
- 3 doing
- 4 to come
- 5 waking
- 6 tidying
- 7 to visit

3

- 2 D
- 3 E
- 4 A
- 5 F
- 6 C

4

- 2 Martha said she would love **to go** there one day.
- 3 ✓
- 4 ✓
- 5 **Living** next to an airport can be noisy sometimes.

5

- 2 Not having a coat with me
- 3 Walking onto the stage
- 4 Needing some help
- 5 Being quite old
- 6 Not wanting to seem rude

6

- 2 to live
- 3 being
- 4 having
- 5 not have
- 6 hearing
- 7 waking up