

Aims

Identify errors in use of gerunds.

Language focus**Grammar**

Gerunds

Set-up

Pair work

Lesson link

For use after Unit 12, Lesson A

Time

20 minutes

Preparation

Duplicate one copy of the worksheet for each pair. Cut the worksheets in half for Student A and Student B.

Answer Key**Student A**

1. Yes
2. No (I enjoy learning some of the local language while I'm on vacation.)
3. Yes
4. No (The worst part of my trip was losing my passport.)
5. No (I'm interested in finding bargains in local markets.)
6. Yes
7. Yes
8. No (I think taking a cooking class would be a great vacation activity.)
9. Yes
10. No (Our guides specialize in showing visitors the "real" Paris.)

Student B

1. No (Staying in a local family's home is a great way to experience the culture.)
2. Yes
3. No (Are you worried about spending too much money on vacation?)
4. Yes
5. Yes
6. No (I didn't like the big hotels. I preferred staying in the small, cheap ones.)
7. No (I had a great map, so I was never concerned about getting lost in the city.)
8. Yes
9. No (Traveling all over Europe was the best part of my year in Spain.)
10. Yes

Procedure

1. Tell students that they are going see a list of sentences. Some sentences are correct and others are incorrect.
2. Put students in pairs and distribute worksheets. In each pair, one student receives the Student A worksheet and the other the Student B worksheet. Tell students that they should not look at their partner's worksheet.
3. Have students work individually to check (✓) *yes* (correct) or *no* (incorrect) for each sentence on their worksheet. If a sentence is incorrect, tell them to cross out, add, or rewrite words in the sentence so that it is correct.
4. Have students compare sentences with their partner. When their answers are different, they should decide which is the correct sentence — the one for Student A or the one for Student B. **Note:** For each incorrect sentence on one worksheet, students will find the correct sentence on the other sheet.
5. Review all of the sentences with the whole class.

Correct or incorrect?**Student A**

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| 1. Staying in a local family's home is a great way to experience the culture. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 2. I enjoy to learn some of the local language while I'm on vacation. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 3. Are you worried about spending too much money on vacation? | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 4. The worst part of my trip was lost my passport. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 5. I'm interested finding bargains in local markets. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 6. I didn't like the big hotels. I preferred staying in the small, cheap ones. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 7. I had a great map, so I was never concerned about getting lost in the city. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 8. I think take a cooking class would be a great vacation activity. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 9. Traveling all over Europe was the best part of my year in Spain. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 10. Our guides specialize in to show visitors the "real" Paris. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |

**Student B**

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| 1. Stay in a local family's home is a great way to experience the culture. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 2. I enjoy learning some of the local language while I'm on vacation. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 3. Are you worried about you spend too much money on vacation? | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 4. The worst part of my trip was losing my passport. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 5. I'm interested in finding bargains in local markets. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 6. I didn't like the big hotels. I preferred stayed in the small, cheap ones. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 7. I had a great map, so I was never concerned in getting lost in the city. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 8. I think taking a cooking class would be a great vacation activity. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 9. Have traveled all over Europe was the best part of my year in Spain. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |
| 10. Our guides specialize in showing visitors the "real" Paris. | <input type="checkbox"/> yes | <input type="checkbox"/> no |