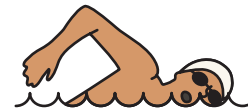


1 Grammar Notes

A. Form

A **gerund** is the *-ing form* of a verb.

- I like **swimming**.
- I don't like **playing** tennis.



An **infinitive** is *to + the base form* of a verb.

- I like **to swim**.
- I don't like **to play** tennis.



B. Function

Gerunds and infinitives combine the action meaning of a **verb** with the grammatical function of a **noun**. They act as nouns (subjects and objects) in a sentence.

- **Speaking** in front of a crowd can be scary. (subject position)
- Do you want **to come** to the beach with us? (object position)

