

# Gerund or infinitive

Complete the following sentences using gerunds or to-infinitives whichever is appropriate.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ events cast their shadow.

Coming

Come

2. He was punished for \_\_\_\_\_ late.

to come

coming

3. \_\_\_\_\_ lies will not help anyone.

Telling

To tell

4. \_\_\_\_\_ is to believe.

Seeing

To see

5. Children learn \_\_\_\_\_ and writing at

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school.

to read  
reading

6. I won't mind your ----- early today.

leave  
leaving  
to leave

7. He left the faucet -----

to run  
running  
to running

8. Do you know the man ----- at the corner?

standing  
to stand

9. ----- done my homework, I went to

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play.

Have  
Having  
To have

10. His behaviour was -----

to irritate  
irritating

11. I want ----- why you are late.

know  
to know  
knowing

12. I would like ----- that scenery.

painting  
to paint  
to painting

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## Answers

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3. Telling lies will not help anyone.
4. To see is to believe.
5. Children learn reading and writing at school.
6. I won't mind your leaving early today.
7. He left the faucet running.
8. Do you know the man standing at the corner?
9. Having done my homework, I went to play.
10. His behaviour was irritating.
11. I want to know why you are late.
12. I would like to paint that scenery.

## Tenses exercises and worksheet