Gerund vs. Infinitive Exercise

Fill in the blanks with a gerund or infinitive.

1. Is it any use ......................... to the manager?

   to talk

   talking

   Either could be used here

2. What about ......................... a short break?

   to take

   taking

3. There is no point in ......................... any longer.

   waiting
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wait

to wait

4. He spent years ................................ care of his ailing mother.

to take

taking

5. I am interested in ................................ to cook.

learning

to learn

6. He is afraid of ................................ alone.

being
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7. I wasted hours .................................. for him.
   - to wait
   - waiting
   - Either could be used here

8. Is it worth ................................. Dublin?
   - to visit
   - visiting

9. He does not have enough money ................................ on a foreign vacation.
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10. I was sad .............................. about his fate.

Either could be used here

11. It is difficult ............................... his motive.

understanding
to understand

12. Please give him another chance ............................... his mettle.

proving
to prove
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Either could be used here

Answers

Is it any use talking to the manager?
What about taking a short break?
There is no point in waiting any longer.
He spent years taking care of his ailing mother.
I am interested in learning to cook.
He is afraid of being alone.
I wasted hours waiting for him.
Is it worth visiting Dublin?
He does not have enough money to spend on a foreign vacation.
I was sad to hear about his fate.
It is difficult to understand his motive.
Please give him another chance to prove his mettle.