Verbs And Their Complements

This grammar exercise tests your understanding of rules regarding the use of verbs in English.

1. He appears to be very ……………………… today.

angry
angrily
Either could be used here

2. She doesn’t want to continue her studies. It ……………………… a pity.

seems
appears
looks

3. She seems ……………………… an attitude problem.

to have
having
that has

4. I hope ……………………… a good job soon.

getting
5. It is not easy ………………………… smoking.
   stopping
   to stop
   Either could be used here

6. I suggest …………………………… a lawyer.
   Please select 2 correct answers
   seeing
   to see
   that you see

7. The doctor recommended ……………………… down on my sugar intake.
   me to cut
   that I cut
   Either could be used here
8. The doctor recommended ................................ a long break.

Please select 2 correct answers

- me to take
- taking
- that I take

9. The boy insisted ............................................. nothing wrong.

- to do
- doing
- that he did

10. Now that I am getting older, I tend ................................ things.

- forgetting
- to forget
- Either could be used here

11. Let’s cut it .................................................

- short
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shortly

12. I find her attitude ………………………

strange
strangely

Answers

1. He appears to be very angry today.
2. She doesn’t want to continue her studies. It seems a pity.
3. She seems to have an attitude problem.
4. I hope to get a good job soon.
5. It is not easy to stop smoking.
6. I suggest seeing / that you see a lawyer.
7. The doctor recommended that I cut down on my sugar intake.
8. The doctor recommended taking / that I take a long break.
9. The boy insisted that he did nothing wrong.
10. Now that I am getting older, I tend to forget things.
11. Let’s cut it short.
12. I find her attitude strange.