

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.

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Seeing

To see

5. Children learn ----- and writing at school.

to read

reading

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

leave

leaving

to leave

7. He left the faucet -----

to run

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running

to running

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

standing

to stand

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

Have

Having

To have

10. His behaviour was -----

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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

1. Coming events cast their shadow.
2. He was punished for coming late.
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.

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