

Gerunds Or Infinitives

Fill in the blanks.

1. Moles have the habit in the earth.

to burrow

of burrowing

Either could be used here

2. Working on the farm habituated him early.

to rise

to rising

Either could be used here

3. They were accused him bodily harm.

to do

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of doing

to doing

4. What is the harm a little fun?

to have

in having

for having

5. The old man's hatred has made him a recluse.

for people

of people

with people

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6. He humbugged me his story.

into believe

into believing

to believe

7. Alaskans are accustomed
..... in cold weather.

to live

to living

for living

8. My teacher dissuaded me
..... accepting the job.

to accept

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from accept

from accepting

9. I hate to disillusion you but your chances
..... are nil.

to win

of win

of winning

10. I forbid you out
after midnight.

to stay

from staying

Either could be used here

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11. She does a lot of work for the poor but her modesty forbids her talking about it.

to

from

12. I was forbidden to her.

to talk

from talking

Either could be used here

Answers

1. Moles have the habit of burrowing in the earth.
2. Working on the farm habituated him to rising early.
3. They were accused of doing him bodily harm.

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4. What is the harm in having a little fun?
5. The old man's hatred of people has made him a recluse.
6. He humbugged me into believing his story.
7. Alaskans are accustomed to living in cold weather.
8. My teacher dissuaded me from accepting the job.
9. I hate to disillusion you but your chances of winning are nil.
10. I forbid you to stay / from staying out after midnight.
11. She does a lot of work for the poor but her modesty forbids her from talking about it. 12. I was forbidden to talk / from talking to her.