

Infinitives and gerunds

Certain words cannot be used with an infinitive. They require a preposition followed by a gerund (-ing form).

Complete the following sentences.

1. He is addicted

to gambling

to gamble

gambling

2. I am interested to cook.

in learning

to learn

3. Several top designers assisted
the park.

to create

in creating

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4. He is averse cards.

to play

to playing

5. I do not believe children.

to pamper

in pampering

to pampering

6. He is bent trouble.

on creating

to create

7. We have hardly any chance

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to succeed

of succeeding

8. She is confident the first prize.

to win

of winning

9. He is desirous his grandparents.

to meet

of meeting

10. Hereafter he is disqualified any government post

to hold

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for holding

Answers

1. He is addicted to gambling.
2. I am interested in learning to cook.
3. Several top designers assisted in creating the park.
4. He is averse to playing cards.
5. I do not believe in pampering children.
6. He is bent on creating trouble.
7. We have hardly any chance of succeeding.
8. She is confident of winning the first prize.
9. He is desirous of meeting his grandparents.
10. Hereafter he is disqualified for holding any government post.