83 Verb + *-ing* form

1 Verb + *-ing* form

	VERBS	EXAMPLES
likes and dislikes	*like dislike enjoy love hate prefer (not) mind*	*Do you **like working** here?* *Children often **dislike going** to school.* *I **don't mind getting up** early in the morning.*
ideas and opinions	*suggest consider imagine recommend*	*Jack **suggested going** to the cinema.* *Can you **imagine living** without your mobile phone?*
actions that start, stop or continue	*begin continue delay start stop finish*	*He **began playing** in the second half of the game.* *__Stop making__ all that noise!*
other verbs	*avoid miss*	*Do you **miss living** in a big city?*

After *begin*, *start* and *continue*, we can use an *-ing* form or an infinitive with *to*. The meaning is the same.

would + like/love/hate/prefer ➤ Unit 84.3

2 Verb + preposition + *-ing* form

	VERBS	EXAMPLES
verbs with prepositions	*give up* (= stop) *talk about* (= discuss) *think of* (= consider)	*I'm thinking of training as a nurse.* *She's talking about changing her course at university.*

Verbs with prepositions ➤ Unit 100

3 *go* + *-ing* form

We sometimes use *go* + *-ing* form to talk about doing sports and other activities:

	VERBS	EXAMPLES
sports and other activities	*go swimming go skating go horse-riding go running go skiing go shopping*	*How often **do** you **go swimming**?* *Last year we **went skiing** in Colorado.*

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