



# VERB PATTERNS:

## VERB + TO + INFINITIVE



En nuestro post anterior aprendimos que hay algunos verbos que son utilizados con el sufijo -ing. Hoy aprenderemos que hay otros que normalmente son seguidos por el infinitivo con to. A pesar de que son muchos los verbos que siguen esta estructura, hoy sólo estudiaremos los principales, que hacen referencia con una necesidad, expectativa o esperanza, tal como lo estudiaremos a continuación:

### Una decisión

- Plan **to**: We *plan to go* on holidays next year.
- Decide **to**: She *decided to quit* her job.
- Arrange **to**: Lena and her boss *arranged to have* the meeting next Monday morning.
- Manage **to**: mark *managed to invest* on the highest technology devices even if they were expensive.

### Una necesidad

- Want to: My parents didn't *want me to go* to the party last night.
- Need to: I was sneezing so I *needed to buy* some tissues.

### Una esperanza

- Expect **to**: Lisa *expected* her boyfriend **to propose** to her.
- Hope **to**: I *hope to find* a new job soon.

Aquí te dejamos algunos ejercicios para que practiques los patrones verbales tanto con gerundio como con infinitivo:

1. Do you enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ (shop)?
2. What was the last thing you needed \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) for your home?
3. What would you like \_\_\_\_\_ (get) for your home at the moment?
4. Have you ever asked someone \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) something expensive for you?
5. Do you like \_\_\_\_\_ (help) other people \_\_\_\_\_ (choose) what to buy?
6. Do you let other people \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) clothes for you?
7. Did your parents use to make you \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) things you didn't like?
8. Do you prefer \_\_\_\_\_ (go) out to the shops, or would you rather \_\_\_\_\_ (do) your shopping on the Internet?

### Answer key

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|------------------------|---------------|
| 1. shopping            | 5. buy        |
| 2. to buy              | 6. wear       |
| 3. to get              | 7. going / do |
| 4. helping / to choose |               |