



GERUNDS LEVEL 1

Sarah, is there something you dislike?

Wentworth: Sarah, is there something you dislike? Is there an activity you hate? Please, tell me what it is.

Sarah: Smoking or complaining.

Wentworth: These two are different. Please explain.

Sarah: In my opinion, smoking is nice when you also smoke. I occasionally smoke and I don't mind it. But, sometimes, it is ridiculous. For example, you go to a party and you see everybody smoking. It is in a big house and only one room or window is open...

Wentworth: So ...After the party, you smell like cigarettes.

Sarah: Of course! All my clothes and my hair smell like cigarettes. It is disgusting.

Wentworth: I understand. What about complaining?

Sarah: Complaining at a restaurant if the service is bad, I think it is legitimate. But complaining every day about everything is simply irritating.

Wentworth: You are right. Some people don't realize it. Smoking or complaining every day is a bad habit. But people who smoke usually meet other smokers. People who complain usually have complaining friends.

Sarah: I agree. But some are really annoying because they are totally oblivious of their actions to their entourage.

Wentworth: Well, in our society, we interact with different people. It is often hard to say things. Staying away from them avoids any inconvenience.

Sarah: I guess so...They are adults... I hate such behaviors, really!



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Is there... ?	bad
something	To think
To dislike	legitimate
An activity	Every day
To hate	To complain (about...)
Tell me	everything
What + subject+ verb	simply
smoking	irritating
complaining	To be right
these	Some people
different	To realize
To explain	A habit
IN MY OPINION	usually
nice	meet
when	other
To smoke	A smoker
also	A friend
occasionally	some
To mind	Annoying=irritating
but	because
Sometimes	totally
Ridiculous	Oblivious
For example	their
To go (to)	An action
A party	entourage
and	Well...
To see	our
Everybody=everyone	A society
in	To interact
only	with
A room	often
A window	hard
open	To say
so	A thing
after	Staying away
To smell	From them
like	To avoid
Of course !	inconvenience
all	To guess so
clothes	An adult
hair	To hate
Disgusting	such
To understand	Behavior
What about...	really
What about = vING... ?	



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Grammar:

Gerunds

A gerund consists of a verb with an end in –ING. Sometimes, it replaces a noun.

1/As a subject

Example: Cooking is my hobby

2/ After certain verbs (verbs of preference for example)

I love horseriding

I hate screaming

3/ After a preposition

I am used to working late

I can't stand waiting

We use a gerund after these common verbs: consider/enjoy/finish/hate/suggest

Example: I consider moving out

She enjoys travelling

We finish talking

They hate losing

You suggest slowing down