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INFINITIVE AND GERUND COMPLETERS

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Verbs that express preference

- We use VERB+ING after verbs that express general preference, such as:
  - love, like, enjoy, dislike, hate and prefer
- We also use –ING after certain verbs:
  - consider, avoid, deny, look forward to, confess to, fancy, involve, mention, risk, spend, mind, regret, admit, suggest, imagine, etc.
- ING can be pronounced /iŋ/ OR /in/

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Some verbs take verbal completers that behave like nouns. These verbal completers may be infinitives or gerunds. (A gerund is the *-ing* form of a verb when it's used as a noun. When the same form is used as a modifier, it's called a participle.)

- She encourages him to eat at her house.
- *Encourage* is a verb that takes an infinitive completer.
- He appreciates knowing that he was welcome there.
- *Appreciate* is a verb that takes a gerund completer.
- The family love to see him. OR
  The family love seeing him.
- *Love* takes either an infinive or a gerund .

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There's no simple way of knowing whether a verb takes an infinitive or gerund completer. Sometimes verbs with similar meanings take different completers:

- I like to swim, but he hates to swim. OR I like swimming, but he hates swimming.
- *Like* and *hate* take either form.
- I enjoy swimming, but he dislikes swimming.
- *Enjoy* and *dislike* take gerunds only. Although they are smilar to *like* and *hate*, they cannot take infinitives.

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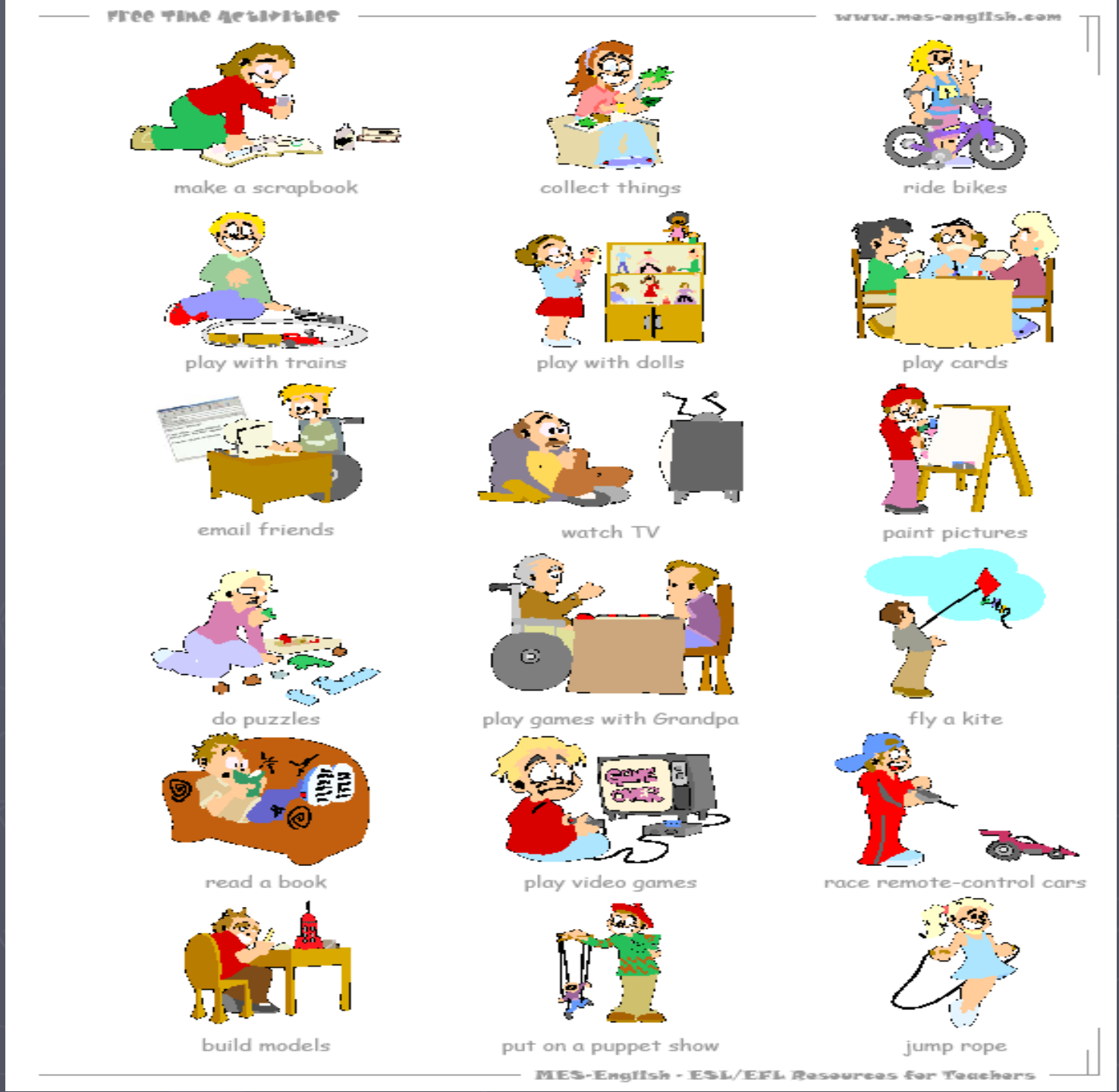

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Adding -ING to a verb

- We generally add ING to a verb to form the present participle
  - Example: I like doing exercise
- If the verb ends in consonant + e, we drop the e and add ING
  - Example: I'm having a good time
- If the verb ends in consonant + vowel + consonant and a stressed syllable, we double the final consonant
  - Example: I'm beginning to understand this.
- In one syllable verbs ending in vowel + consonant, we double the consonant
  - Example: I hate stopping at traffic lights
- Exceptions: verbs ending in -ie

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Adding *ing* to typical verbs

jump
cry
enjoy
look
read
say
talk
walk
work
sleep

- jumping
- crying
- enjoying
- looking
- reading
- saying
- talking
- walking
- working
- sleeping

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Adding *ing* to typical verbs

hope	hoping
write	writing
dance	dancing
make	making
like	liking
smile	smiling
come	coming
ride	riding
love	loving
waste	wasting

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Adding *ing* to typical verbs

hop	hopping
run	running
chat	chatting
sit	sitting
shop	shopping
drop	dropping
rob	robbing
drag	dragging
slip	slipping
grin	grinning

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Adding *ing* to typical verbs

teach	teching
turn	turning
share	sharing
snap	snapping
amaze	amazing
snore	snoring
bet	betting
spend	spending
raise	raising
clap	clapping

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Making sentences

Gardening
Kitesurf
Cooking
Doing homework
Ironing
Going out

- I like gardening.
- She hates kitesurfing.
- We love cooking.
- He dislikes doing homework.
- You love ironing.
- They enjoy going out.

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