

To Verb -vs- Verbing (2 Answers)

You can:

- ***try, start, begin, prefer, continue** to verb or verbing
(I went home, but Tom continued to drink/drinking.)
- ***plan on, avoid, stop, quit, finish, suggest** verbing
(To really learn Japanese, I suggest moving to the countryside.)
- ***plan, decide, forget, promise, refuse, learn** to verb
(Mom refused to speak to me when I decided to get a tattoo.)

*Fill in the blanks below with **to verb**, **verbing** or **to verb/verbing**:*

ex.1) We can't start to eat/eating until dad gets home.

ex.2) Mary often forgets to lock the door when she goes out.

1. You should avoid doing hard work out in this heat! (**do**)
2. Amy learned to speak Spanish in elementary school. (**speak**)
3. When did Jane start to work/working at her new job?! I didn't even know she quit working at the store! (**work/work**)
4. If you decide to come to my party, don't forget to bring some food. I suggest making something that's not spicy. (**come/bring/make**)
5. My neighbor said that if we continue to be/being noisy, she plans to call [plans on calling] the police. (**be/call**)
6. You ought to try to taste/tasting the food before you add all that salt and pepper! (**taste**)
7. Billy refused to pay for his dinner. He said that he didn't finish eating it because it was awful. (**pay/eat**)
8. I wish the guy behind me would stop kicking the back of my seat! If he continues to do/doing it.....! (**kick/do**)
9. At the wedding, I promised to love my wife the rest of my life, but now we avoid talking to each other. (**love/talk**)
10. I tried to break/breaking up with Kim, but she began to cry/crying and refused to listen to me. (**break/cry/listen**)
11. Luckily, I decided to grab my umbrella just before it began to pour/pouring rain. (**grab/pour**)
12. I prefer to take/taking the train to driving a car to work. (**take**)
13. I stopped eating meat and decided to live on a diet of only vegetables. (**eat/live**)
14. Mom feels great since she quit smoking last year and refuses to start to smoke/smoking ever again. (**smoke/start/smoke**)