

## To Verb -vs- Verbing (2)

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