

1 Like, love, prefer and hate

I like doing parachute jumps. This is my third one. I love to look down at the fields below.

After like, love, prefer and hate, we can use either a to-infinitive or an -ing form. The meaning is the same. Mrs Miles likes to do/likes doing parachute jumps. She loves to look/loves looking down at the fields below. We always prefer to stay/prefer staying in small hotels. I hate to stand/hate standing up while I'm eating.

But compare these two meanings of the verb like.

LIKE TO DO	LIKE DOING
Like takes a to-infinitive when it means that we prefer to do something even though we may no	
enjoy it.	
I like to check my work carefully before I send	Claire likes skiing .
it in.	I don't like swimming much.

2 Would like, etc.

After would like, would love, would prefer and would hate, we use a to-infinitive but not usually an -ing form.

I'd like to do a parachute jump one day. My sister would love to work as an artist.

Mark **would prefer to drive** rather than take the train. I'm glad I live here. I'd hate to live in a big city. Compare would like and like.

WOULD LIKE	LIKE
I' d like to lie on the beach today. It's too hot to do anything else.	I like lying on the beach. I always spend my holidays sunbathing.
I'd like means 'I want', but it is more polite	I like means the same as 'I enjoy'.
(see Unit 52.2).	

3 Start, intend, etc.

We can use either a to-infinitive or an -ing form after these verbs: begin, bother, continue, intend, propose (= intend), start People **began to leave/began leaving** the theatre before the end of the play.

Rachel **didn't bother to do/bother doing** the washing-up.

Do you intend to make/intend making a complaint?

The meaning is the same.

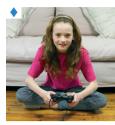
We do not usually have two -ing forms together.

It was starting to get dark. NOT It was starting getting dark.

Practice

A Like and would like (1-2)

Write in the words. Begin I like ... or I'd like ... Use these verbs: buy, chase, drive, play, see Use these objects: computer games, rabbits, the manager, this car, this tree







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I like playing computer games.

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B Like, love, prefer and hate 1

Complete the sentences using the words in brackets.

•	Mark: Sarah:	l've always wanted to visit San Francisco. Me too. <u>I'd love to visit</u>	(I'd love) it some time.
1	Harriet: David:	Tom seems to enjoy watching football matches. Yes,	(he loves) United play.
2	Alex: Laura:	I'm glad I don't work as late as Sarah does. Me too.	(I wouldn't like) such long hours.
3	Matthew: Emma:	I think I'll go and see this new film. Can I go with you?	
4	Rachel: Vicky:	Do you want to come with me or wait here?	
5	Laura: Tom:	I think queuing is my least favourite activity. I agree.	
6	Claire: Sarah:	Does Mark cook for you? No, not often.	
7		Have you ever flown in a hot-air balloon? No, but	(I'd love) in one someday.
8	Rachel: Emma:	Did you say you're having your teeth looked at today? Yes,	(I like) them checked once a year.

C Start, intend, etc. 3

Complete this news report about a stolen taxi. Put in the to-infinitive or the -ing form of these verbs: *drive*, *go*, *lock*, *make*, *search*. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

Nathan Paisley, 25, has lost his taxi. It was stolen on Friday afternoon. 'I just went into the newsagent's for a moment,' said Nathan. 'I didn't bother * <u>to lock</u> the car.' Nathan started 1______ his own taxi only six months ago. 'I was just beginning 2______ a profit,' he said. 'I intend 3______ on with my work as soon as I get my taxi back.' The police are continuing 4______ for the stolen car.

104 Adjectives

1 Introduction

Henry and Claire are having dinner in a **quiet** restaurant. It's a **warm** evening. The food is **delicious**. Henry is feeling **romantic**.

An adjective is a word like **quiet**, **warm**, **delicious**, **romantic**. The word **quiet** describes the restaurant. It tells us what the restaurant is like.



2 Word order

There are two places where we can use an adjective: before a noun (*a quiet restaurant*) and after a linking verb (*feeling romantic*).

BEFORE A NOUN	AFTER A LINKING VERB
Claire's got a new car.	Claire's car is new .
It was a dark night.	It was getting dark.
This is good coffee.	This coffee tastes good.
	Some linking verbs are: <i>appear, be, become, feel, get, look, seem, smell, stay, taste</i>

We can use two or more adjectives together (see **Unit 105**).

It's a **quiet little** restaurant. Mike was wearing a **dirty old** coat.

We can put a word like **very** or **quite** before an adjective. It was a **very dark** night. Henry was feeling **quite romantic**. **Very** and **quite** are adverbs of degree (see **Unit 115**).

3 Adjectives used in one position only

We can use most adjectives in both positions – before a noun or after a linking verb. However, a few adjectives can go in one position but not in the other.

Here are some examples of adjectives which can only go before a noun. Be careful crossing the **main** road. The **only** problem is I've got no money.

Chess is an **indoor** game. The **former** footballer now trains young players.

Some more examples are: **chief** (= main), **elder** (= older), **eldest** (= oldest), **inner, outdoor, outer, principal** (= main), **upper**

Here are some examples of adjectives which can only go after a linking verb. At last the baby is **asleep**. Emma's two brothers are very **alike**.

I'm really **pleased** to see you. Vicky looked **ill**, I thought.

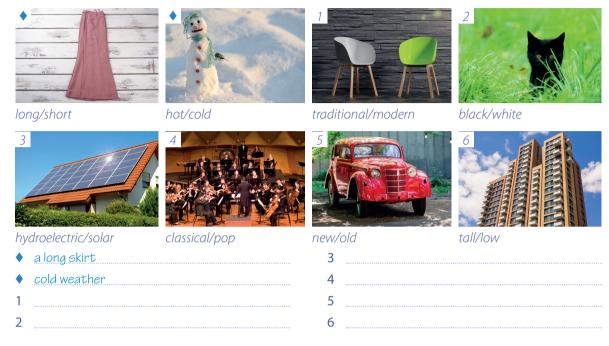
Some more examples are: **afraid**, **alone**, **ashamed**, **awake**, **alive**, **content** (= happy), **fine** (= in good health), **glad**, **unwell**, **well**

Practice

A Adjectives 1

Look at the pictures and write a phrase with an adjective and noun.

Use these nouns: building, car, cat, chairs, music, power, skirt, weather



B Adjectives 1-2

<u>Underline</u> all the adjectives in this description of a hotel.

This <u>comfortable</u> hotel with its pleasant gardens is ideal for people who want a quiet holiday, yet it is only a short distance from the highly popular attractions of the area. There are lovely views from every room. The atmosphere is very friendly, and the staff are always helpful. A holiday here is very good value for money. You can eat your meals at the hotel, where the food tastes marvellous. Or you can of course try some of the excellent local restaurants.

C Adjectives used in one position only 3

Look at the notes and write the song titles. Sometimes the adjective comes before the noun, and sometimes you need to use *is* or *are*.

۲	your sister / elder	Your elder sister
۲	this boy / alone	This boy is alone
1	the world / asleep	
2	my desire / chief	
3	my heart / content	
4	the thing to remember / main	
5	the night / alive	
6	secrets / inner	
7	the girl for me / only	