

Grade- VIII

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ENGLISH

Expressions + ing

When these expressions are followed by a verb, the verb ends in -ing:

It's no use... / It's no good..

- There's nothing you can do about the situation, so it's no use worrying about it.
- It's no good trying to persuade me. You won't succeed.

There's no point in....:

- There's no point in having a car if you never use it.
- There was no point in waiting any longer, so we went.

It's (not) worth...:

- I live only a short walk from here, so it's not worth taking a taxi.
- I was so late when we got home, it wasn't worth going to bed.

You can say 'a film is worth seeing', a book is worth reading, etc.

- What was the film like? Was it worth seeing?
- I don't think newspapers are worth reading

(Have) difficulty -in

We say 'have difficulty doing something more 'to do'):

- I had difficulty finding a place to live. (not 'I had difficulty to find')
- Did you have any difficulty getting a visa?
- People often have great difficulty reading my writing.

We usually say 'have difficulty' (nor have difficulties"):

- I'm sure you'll have no difficulty passing the exam. (not have no difficulties")

We use -ing after:

a waste of money... / a waste of time... (to... is also possible):

- It was a waste of time reading that book. It was rubbish.
- It's a waste of money buying things you don't need.

Spend/waste (time)...

- He spent hours trying to repair the clock.
- I waste a lot of time daydreaming

(be) busy...

- She said she couldn't see me. She was too busy doing other things.

Go swimming / go fishing etc.

We use go-ing for a number of activities (especially sports). For example, you can say:
go swimming / go sailing / go fishing / go climbing / go skiing / go jogging etc.
also: go shopping / go sightseeing.

- I'd like to go skiing.
- When did you last go shopping?
- I've never been sailing. (For been and gone,

You can also say "come swimming / come skiing etc.:

- Why don't you come swimming with us?

Write sentences using difficulty.

1. I managed to get a visa but it was difficult. I had difficulty getting a visa.
2. I can't remember people's names. I have difficulty _____
3. Lucy managed to get a job without difficulty. She had no _____
4. Do you find it difficult to understand him? Do you have _____
5. It won't be difficult to get a ticket for the concert.
You won't have any _____

Complete the sentences. Use only one word each time.

1. It's a waste of money buying things you don't need.
2. Every morning I spend about an hour _____ the newspaper.
3. What's Carol doing? She's busy _____ letter's
4. I think you waste too much time _____ television
5. There's a beautiful view from that hill. It is worth _____ to the top.

Complete these sentences with one of the following (with the verb in the correct Form):

go skiing go riding go shopping ~~go sailing~~ go swimming

1. Barry lives by the sea and he's got a boat, so he often goes sailing
2. There's plenty of snow in the mountains so we'll be able to _____
3. It was a very hot day, so we _____ in the river
4. Margaret has got two horses. She often _____
5. The shops are shut now. It's too late to _____