



Gerund Review

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A “gerund” is when a verb changes to a noun. We accomplish this by doing all the following:

1. Adding an “ing.”
 2. Placing the gerund in the noun’s position.
 - Think of a gerund as “the act of” doing something.
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Examples of words that act as verbs and gerunds (nouns):

I’m running because it makes me feel healthy. “**Running**” is a verb.
Running keeps me healthy. “**Running**” is a noun (gerund). “**Keeps**” is a verb.

I like watching comedies on TV because they make me laugh. “**Watching**” is a verb.
Watching comedies on TV makes me laugh. “**Watching**” is a noun (gerund). “**Makes**” is a verb.

I was studying last night and received an **A** on my test today. “**Studying**” is a verb.
Studying last night got me that **A**. “**Studying**” is a noun (gerund). “**Got**” is the verb.

I am working this summer so that I can buy a car. “**Working**” is a verb.
Working this summer allowed me buy a car. “**Working**” is a noun (gerund). “**allowed**” is the verb.

I was not eating any sugar or grains for a week and I lost eight pounds. “**Eating**” is a verb.
Eating no sugar or grains this week resulted in losing eight pounds. “**Eating**” is a noun (gerund).
“**Resulted**” is a verb.

I stole five dollars from my brother and my parents grounded me for a month. “**Stole**” is a verb.
Stealing got me grounded. “**Stealing**” is a noun (gerund). “**Got**” is the verb.