

The Gerund

Ein substantiviertes Verb heißt Gerund.

Z.B.: Ich hasse Schwimmen. -> *I hate swimming.*

Im Englischen folgt nach den folgenden Beispielen wenn die Konstruktion entsprechend ist zwingend das Gerund.

Z.B.: *I am interested in swimming.* Wenn der Sinn ist, ich habe Interesse daran, so muss es logischer Weise heißen: *I am interested in it.*

‚Verdächtig‘ sind immer Konstruktionen, die eine Präposition enthalten.

Nach einem Verb + Präposition:

to complain of	to succeed in	to think of	to look forward to	to carry on
to believe in	to dream of	to insist on	to go on	to object to
to prevent from	to charge with	to put off	to care for	to talk about
to thank for	to accuse of	to rely on	to apologise for	to blame for
to be accustomed to	to be used to	to give up	to keep on	to congratulate on

Nach einem Adjektiv + Präposition:

to be angry at	to be annoyed at	to be good at	to be famous for	to be fond of
to be interested in	to be tired of	to be proud of	to be far from	to be afraid of
to be capable of	to be keen on	to be happy about	to be used to	

Nach einem Substantiv + Präposition:

objection to	reason for	experience in	use of	way of	chance of	cost of
intention of	for fear of	in the hope of	pleasure of	pleasure in	apology for	
difference between	idea of	time for	job of	opportunity for	difficulty in	

Nach folgenden Verben ohne Präposition folgt auch das Gerund:

to avoid	to admit	to deny	to enjoy	to feel like	to miss	to suggest
to regret	to practise	to feel like	to be busy	to imagine	to like	to love
to finish	to delay	don't – doesn't mind				

nach folgenden Ausdrücken:

what about	how about	it's worth	it's no use	it's no good	without
in spite of	instead of	by	after	before	can't help
can't stand	there is no point in		worth while		

Wenn zu entscheiden ist, ob Gerund oder Infinitiv folgt, so gilt oft als Grundregel:

Das Gerund drückt etwas allgemeines oder die Vergangenheit aus, der Infinitiv eher den Einzelfall oder die Zukunft.

Z.B.: He finished working. <-> He finished (doing something else) to start working.