

III, There are verbs which require certain prepositions with the following Gerund. Remember the verbs and the prepositions:

apologize /feel sorry /excuse /thank/ blame /forgive for;  
believe / succeed / confide /participate in;  
depend / rely / congratulate/ insist on;  
oppose / object / look forward to;  
dream / think/think of;  
decide /warn against;  
prevent / stop / keep / save from

#### Exercise 60

Translate the sentences containing the Gerund after prepositions.

##### a. in the active form

1. Diplomacy requires special art of handling people.
  2. Communities sought ways of communicating and establishing relations with one another.
  3. "A diplomatic corps is far from being a school of virtue".
  4. One of the reasons for their objecting to negotiations is not providing a forum for making concessions.
  5. They **talked** about her giving up the job and going to live in (he country'.
- <> Tim\* work **of the overseas** missions in promoting trade, engaging **in dialogue with local politicians** and advancing British interests, **promoting cultural, social and** educational links and engaging in **public diplomacy** is likely to become redundant in the XXI century,

##### II. in the passive form

1. The speaker was annoyed at being interrupted now and then.
2. After being looked through, the papers were registered.
3. She was always surprised at being asked about it.
4. Instead of being promoted he was given the sack.
5. I'm not used to being treated like this.

6. She left without being asked to stay.
7. Before being promoted to a higher post foreign officers are to serve in various regions of the world.
8. After being appointed to the post, he met the press.

##### a in the perfect form

1. Even now the thought of having talked to her touched him.
2. He blamed himself for not having learned to drive a car before.
3. They showed no sign of having heard what had been said
4. I am really ashamed of not having written to you for three years.
5. How<sup>7</sup> did she account for the car having been smashed?
6. After having been discussed the report was published.
7. In spite of having served in the post for quite a time I can't get used to its challenges.
8. She was surprised at having been asked about it.

#### Exercise 61

Match the two halves of each sentence. Mind the prepositions.

How to study efficiently

a\*

1. Begin by
2. Be realistic: there is no point in
3. Find a quiet place where you can work without
4. If possible, use it only for
5. Check you have everything you need before
6. Encourage yourself by
7. Get used to

b.

- a. studying
- b. working independently
- c starting work
- d. marking each topic on your list as you complete it
- e. making a list of what you have to do
- f. making plans you can't possibly keep
- g. being interrupted