

GERUND PHRASES: EXERCISE #1

NAME: _____

DIRECTIONS: *Parse the sentences below and put prepositional phrases in parentheses. Underline the gerund phrases. Diagram the sentences.*

1. Writing this book was a major accomplishment for Mr. Franklin.

2. Eating no animal meat became important to Ben.

3. Keimer also believed in keeping the seventh day as Sabbath.

4. The two men had begun adopting doctrines of Mosaic law.

5. Courting Miss Read had given him a respect for her.

6. His chief acquaintances at this time were lovers of reading books.

7. Their favorite pastime was studying with their group.

DIRECTIONS: *Write what job the underlined words are doing. Choose your answers from among the following:*

	<i>SUBJECT</i>	<i>DIRECT OBJECT</i>	<i>PREDICATE NOMINATIVE</i>	<i>OBJECT OF THE PREPOSITION</i>
	<i>VERB</i>	<i>INDIRECT OBJECT</i>	<i>PREDICATE ADJECTIVE</i>	<i>MODIFIER</i>
<u>SENTENCE #</u>	<u>WORD</u>	<u>JOB</u>		
1	book	_____		
2	important	_____		
3	day	_____		
4	men	_____		
5	him	_____		
6	lovers	_____		
7	favorite	_____		

GERUND PHRASES: EXERCISE #2

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DIRECTIONS: *Parse the sentences below and put prepositional phrases in parentheses. Underline the participial phrases ONCE and the gerund phrases TWICE. Diagram the sentences.*

1. Enjoying the study of poetry, Ralph frequently practiced writing it.
2. Giving little attention to the piece assigned was frequently Franklin's method of participation.
3. Addressing the director of music, Psalm 18 begins describing the descent of a deity.
4. Performing from their writings usually encouraged the poets gathered in their circle.
5. Watson, much lamented, was last seen dying in the arms of Benjamin Franklin.

DIRECTIONS: *Write what job the underlined words are doing. Choose your answers from among the following:*

SUBJECT DIRECT OBJECT PREDICATE NOMINATIVE OBJECT OF THE PREPOSITION
VERB INDIRECT OBJECT PREDICATE ADJECTIVE MODIFIER

<u>SENTENCE #</u>	<u>WORD</u>	<u>JOB</u>
1	it	_____
2	method	_____
3	music	_____
4	writings	_____
5	last	_____

GERUND PHRASES: EXERCISE #3

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DIRECTIONS: Parse the sentences below and put prepositional phrases in parentheses. Underline the participial phrases **ONCE** and the gerund phrases **TWICE**. Diagram the sentences.

1. Visits arranged for special purposes were used for advancing the young man.
2. Ralph's idea, planned for a long time, was selling goods on commission.
3. The governor proposed carrying letters written by himself to Newcastle.
4. Easily trusting the governor's word gave the man interested in a printing career a rude awakening.
5. Friends concerned for his welfare suggested finding employment in England.

DIRECTIONS: Write what job the underlined words are doing. Choose your answers from among the following:

SUBJECT DIRECT OBJECT PREDICATE NOMINATIVE OBJECT OF THE PREPOSITION
VERB INDIRECT OBJECT PREDICATE ADJECTIVE MODIFIER

<u>SENTENCE #</u>	<u>WORD</u>	<u>JOB</u>
1	man	_____
2	idea	_____
3	himself	_____
4	word	_____
5	suggested	_____