

Book: Interchange 2	Level: 9 <sup>th</sup>	Unit: 2
Objective: Using gerund phrases as subjects and as objects.		

## Gerund Phrases

A gerund is formed by adding -ing to a verb. A gerund is a noun, so it can be a subject or an object in a sentence.

Gerund phrase	+	verb	+	object or adjective
↓		↓		↓
Designing clothes		could be		a difficult job.
Working with children		is		hard.

Subject	+	verb	+	gerund phrase
↓		↓		↓
I		would love		working in a zoo.
I		would enjoy		planning parties.

I think	+	gerund phrase	+	verb	+	object or adjective
↓		↓		↓		↓
I think		volunteering		sounds		very rewarding.
I think		working in an office		is		boring.

Subject	+	verb	+	adjective	+	preposition	+	gerund phrase
↓		↓		↓		↓		↓
I		would be		interested		in		volunteering.
I		would get		tired		of		commuting.

It would be	+	adjective	+	gerund phrase
↓		↓		↓
It would be		stressful		working on weekends.
It would be		challenging		doing research.