

Learn**English** Teens

Grammar videos: Verb + -ing or verb + infinitive - transcript



Watch the video on our website!



Daisy: What's up, Oli? **Oliver:** Hm? Oh, nothing.

Alfie: Oh come on, something's wrong.

Oliver: No, seriously ...

Daisy: Don't tell me, you invited Amy to go to your class dinner but she decided to go with Elliot

instead ...

Alfie: Well, you like cooking, so lunch isn't the problem. I know! You want to wear your favourite T-

shirt but it's got tomato on it.

Oliver: No! Well, yes, that too – I don't know how to clean it but, no, that's not the real problem. It's ...

well ... it's Mum.

Daisy: Have you had an argument? When did she phone? Oh, I hate missing her calls!

Oliver: She hasn't called yet, don't worry.

Daisy: So what's up? Come on! Just tell us! I don't like seeing you like this, Oli!

Oliver: Well, she's in Italy. And she promised to take me there. I was looking forward to going. I

planned to go to some real Italian restaurants to, you know, have some real Italian food, so I could try to make some at home. And I wanted to visit Rome and Venice and Florence and

Siena and ... well, she hasn't even remembered to phone or to send an email or anything!

Daisy: No, but she will. You know she's always so busy. She never stops working. Or maybe she's

had a problem. But it'll be cool, she'll phone.

Alfie: Do you know what you need? You need to have some fun! We can pretend to be in Italy!

Daisy: Pretend to be there?

Alfie: Yes! Let's do it! You wanted to practise cooking Italian food, didn't you? So ... here's a

cookbook. We just need to choose a dish and then we need to buy ingredients. You cook, Oliver, and I know how to make a great tiramisu. Daisy, you get some Italian music – we can

eat in the garden, like at a pavement café.

Daisy: Alfie, you're mad. You're wonderful and mad, and I love doing mad things ...

Sophie: Hi, guys!
Oliver/Daisy: Hi, Mum!
Alfie: Hi, Sophie!
Daisy: How's Italy?

Sophie: Oh, it didn't stop raining all day yesterday, and today it's foggy! It's impossible! I can't see

anything or go anywhere. I'll have to come back next month. Oh, and Oli, would you like to come too then? Gennaro Falcone, the famous restaurant owner, has offered to teach you some

of his most popular recipes. I told him you really enjoy cooking.

Oliver: I'd love to go, Mum! Thanks!

Sophie: So. What are you doing? It looks ... interesting!

www.britishcouncil.org/learnenglishteens

© The British Council, 2012 The United Kingdom's international organisation for educational opportunities and cultural relations. We are registered in England as a charity.