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## Test Your Vocabulary Skills

Fun with -ing Verbs 2

Underline the most appropriate word in each sentence:

1. Do you remember **meeting** / **recognising** Zafreen's cousin last year?
2. Did you sleep in a **sleeping** / **waking** bag when you went camping last week?
3. I don't mind **talking** / **covering** for you if you want to take the rest of the afternoon off.
4. I know you're angry about what happened with Philippe, but he's really not worth **worrying** / **upsetting** about.
5. Sarah and I spent a couple of days **relaxing** / **reminiscing** about the good old days.
6. I'm not used to **getting** / **going** the bus because I've always had my own car.
7. Young people should be encouraged not to start **smoking** / **working**.
8. Do you fancy a trip to the **sporting** / **bowling** alley tomorrow night?
9. This bit of river is ideal for **fishing** / **playing**.
10. At about midnight, Marya leaned across to Nikolay and whispered, "I can't imagine **living** / **sitting** without you."
11. Odette loves to win. She can't stand **winning** / **losing** at anything – not even noughts and crosses.
12. If you continue **putting** / **kicking** your football into my garden like that I'm going to put my boot through it!
13. I tried taking **sleeping** / **eating** tablets to cure my insomnia, but they didn't work.
14. The teacher looked up from her work and said brusquely, "I don't mind if you talk, but I'd rather that **talking** / **speaking** was accompanied by **chatting** / **working**!"
15. We really appreciate your **taking** / **putting** an interest in this case, inspector.

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*Answers:*

1. meeting
2. sleeping
3. covering
4. worrying
5. reminiscing
6. getting
7. smoking
8. bowling
9. fishing
10. living
11. losing
12. kicking
13. sleeping
14. talking, working
15. taking