Infinitives





Introduction

What is an Infinitive ?

An infinitive is the word "To" + the base form of the verb.

It often functions as noun , a subject or a direct object

Can also function as an adjective or an adverb

Examples :

To come ; To learn ; To exercise ; To play;



Ways To Use Infinitives:

Rule 1:

The Infinitives with or without adjuncts , may be used, like a noun-As the subject of a verb; as,

Examples

To find fault is easy. To err is human.

Rule 2

As the Object of a transitive Verb; as,

Examples

I do not mean to read. He likes to play cards.

