ACTIVE

SIMPLE: TO DO

CONTINUOUS: TO BE DOING

PERFECT: TO HAVE DONE

PERFECT CONTINUOUS: TO HAVE BEEN DOING

PASSIVE

SIMPLE: TO BE DONE

PERFECT: TO HAVE BEEN DONE

I'd like **to go** for a walk.

He must be working now.

He claims to have seen the queen.

He seems to have been training for hours.

He likes to be Invited to parties.

He seems **to have been asked** a lot of questions.

INFINITIVE

ACTIONS IN THE PRESENT/ FUTURE

→ PRESENT INFINITIVE

ACTIONS IN PROGRESS

-> CONTINUOUS INFINITIVE

ACTIONS IN THE PAST

PERFECT INFINITIVE

PROGRESS IN THE PAST

→ PERFECT-CONTINUOUS INFINITIVE

Sharon **tells** lies.

Sharon tends to tell lies.

He is working hard.

He appears to be working hard.

Tom **missed** the train.

Tom appears **to have missed** the train.

It has been raining hard.

It appears to have been raining hard.

INFINITIVE IS USED TO:

to express purpose

• She lied to avoid being punished.

after certain verbs (agree, appear, decide, expect, hope, plan, promise, refuse, etc)

• He promised to be back at 17.00.

after certain adjectives (difficult, glad, happy, obliged, sorry, unable, etc)

• He was happy to hear he had been promoted.

after 'I would like/would love/would prefer' to express specific preference

• I prefer to stay in tonight.

after certain nouns

• It's my privilege to present the winner of the competition.

after 'too/enough' constructions

- It's too late to go now.
- She's experienced enough to be appointedSales Manager.
- He's got enough patience to cope with children.

after: be + the first/second etc/next/last/best, etc

• You'll be the first to break the news.

with: it + be + adjective (+of + noun/pronoun)

• It was rude of him to speak like that.

with: so + adjective + as.

Would you be so kind as to help me with the washing?

with 'only' expressing an unsatisfactory result

• She went there only to find the meeting had been called off.

in the expression: for + noun/pronoun + to-inf

• For Mary to behave like that was very unusual.

in the expressions: to tell you the truth, to begin with, to be honest, to start with, to sum up etc

• To begin with, I'd like to introduce our new manager, Mr Jones.

! Note that if two infinitives are joined by and or or, the to of the second infinitive can be omitted.

• I'd like to go to an island and swim and sunbathe all day long during my holidays.

Dare expressing lack of courage is used with an infinitive with or without to. I don't dare (to) tell him the truth.

Dare expressing anger, threat or warning is used with an infinitive without to. Don't you dare come back late.

Dare expressing challenge is used with a to-infinitive. I dare you to jump over the fence.

Help can be used with or without to.

• I helped my mum (to) bake a cake.

INFINITIVE WITH "TO"

Many verbs can be followed by the **to-infinitive** of another verb:

afford, *agree, aim, *arrange, ask, attempt, *claim, *decide, demand, deserve, fail, *forget, *hope, *learn, manage, offer, plan, *pretend, *promise, refuse, tend, *threaten, want, etc. The verbs marked * can also be followed by **a that-clause.**

INFINITIVE WITHOUT "TO"

1.

After and, or, than (rather than), except, but
Don't forget to come and see me, will you?
It's better to pity than condemn.
Rather than wait for a lift I decided to come up the stairs.
He thinks she isn't fit to do anything but cook and clean.
I had nothing to do except drive away.

2.

After Why not...?
Why not phone her tomorrow?

3. After Would rather (= would prefer to). Would you rather stay here or go home? She says she would rather die than do that again.

I would rather not know about it.

INFINITIVE: negative form

to do
not to do
She said not to do
NO
She said to didn't do
She said to don't do

it's stupid of him did not help me It's stupid of him not to help me.