

8. They fight all the time when I'm around them. I can't stand this.

9. You always have good advice. I really appreciate this.

So please tell me—what should Helen and Tom do?

Bothered in Boston

6 EDITING

In the following passage, there are twenty verbs that are not in the gerund form but should be. Find these verbs and change them into their correct gerund form.

Playing

Some popular hobbies are as old as civilization. ~~Play~~ music and paint have fascinated countless people throughout the ages, for example.

However, before the twentieth century, many hobbies—such as collect valuable objects, rare manuscripts, and art treasures—were something that only the wealthy had the time or the money to enjoy.

The present-day enthusiasm for participate in an absorbing activity is the result of many people's bless with greater prosperity and more free time. Instead of collect art objects, more ordinary people enjoy collect stamps or coins, or everyday objects such as spoons, miniature porcelain animals, or bells. Sports such as tennis and sail provide activity and socialization; so does play such games as chess and bridge. In addition to paint and other "art" forms, a strong interest in arts and crafts developed at the end of the nineteenth century, and people expressed themselves in weave, pottery make, wood carve, and other artistic endeavors. Recognize as an expert in one of these areas of sports or games or the arts can give a person a feeling of great satisfaction.