

Fill in the blanks.

1. An infinitive phrase is built with “_____” followed by a _____ followed by optional _____ and _____.
2. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) _____ that is the subject or complement in a sentence.
3. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) _____ that modifies a noun.
4. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) _____ that modifies a verb or adjective.
5. To split an infinitive means to place a(n) _____ in between “to” and the verb.
6. It is easy to confuse an infinitive phrase with a(n) _____ phrase that begins with “to.”

Write the infinitive phrase in each sentence and circle whether it is working as a noun, adverb, or adjective. Write NONE if the sentence does not contain an infinitive phrase .

7. After breakfast, Mary and John will travel to a ghost town on Highway 23.
_____ noun adverb adjective
8. To assemble the furniture correctly, read the direction before starting.
_____ noun adverb adjective
9. The best dishwasher to purchase has a stainless steel tub and a quiet motor.
_____ noun adverb adjective
10. Because he is an artist, Emilio wants to visit the museum’s exhibit of Italian paintings.
_____ noun adverb adjective
11. America’s government has three branches to balance the powers in government.
_____ noun adverb adjective
12. The mountain is too steep to climb.
_____ noun adverb adjective

Write an infinitive phrase to complete the sentence.

13. _____ is the key to succeeding at school.
14. Eric needs a hammer _____.
15. The person _____ is Jenny.

ANSWERS

Fill in the blanks

1. An infinitive phrase is built with “ TO ” followed by a VERB followed by optional COMPLEMENTS and MODIFIERS.
2. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) NOUN that is the subject or complement in a sentence.
3. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) ADJECTIVE that modifies a noun.
4. An infinitive phrase can work as a(n) ADVERB that modifies a verb or adjective.
5. To split an infinitive means to place a(n) ADVERB in between “to” and the verb.
6. It is easy to confuse an infinitive phrase with a(n) PREPOSITIONAL phrase that begins with “to.”

Write the infinitive phrase in each sentence and circle whether it is working as a noun, adverb, or adjective. Write NONE if the sentence does not contain an infinitive phrase

7. After breakfast, Mary and John will travel to a ghost town on Highway 23.
NONE noun adverb adjective
8. To assemble the furniture correctly, read the direction before starting.
TO ASSEMBLE THE FURNITURE CORRECTLY noun adverb adjective
9. The best dishwasher to purchase has a stainless steel tub and a quiet motor.
TO PURCHASE noun adverb adjective
10. Because he is an artist, Emilio wants to visit the museum’s exhibit of Italian paintings.
TO VISIT THE MUSEUM’S EXHIBIT OF ITALIAN PAINTINGS noun adverb adjective
11. America’s government has three branches to balance power among them.
TO BALANCE POWER AMONG THEM noun adverb adjective
11. The mountain is too steep to climb.
TO CLIMB noun adverb adjective

Write an infinitive phrase to complete the sentence. **ANSWERS WILL VARY. SAMPLES BELOW**

13. TO STUDY HARD is the key to succeeding at school.
14. Eric needs a hammer TO HANG THE PICTURE.
15. The person TO ASK ABOUT THE TICKETS is Jenny.

Scaffolding Suggestions

Fill in the blanks. **SCAFFOLDING SUGGESTION**—Provide a word bank.

verb adjective noun adverb complements
 modifiers prepositional to

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7. After breakfast, Mary and John will travel to a ghost town on Highway 23.

___ *there is no verb after "TO"* _____ noun adverb adjective

8. To assemble the furniture correctly, read the direction before starting.

___ *it says WHY [YOU] read* _____ noun adverb adjective

9. The best dishwasher to purchase has a stainless steel tub and a quiet motor.

___ *it says WHICH dishwasher* _____ noun adverb adjective

10. Because he is an artist, Emilio wants to visit the museum's exhibit of Italian paintings.

___ *it says WHAT Emilio wants* _____ noun adverb adjective

11. America's government has three branches to balance the powers in government.

___ *it says WHY the government has* _____ noun adverb adjective

12. The mountain is too steep to climb.

___ *it says HOW steep* _____ noun adverb adjective

Write an infinitive phrase to complete the sentence. **SCAFFOLDING SUGGESTION**—Provide a phrase bank

to stay on top of your assignments

to fix the birdhouse

to break the window

to sit beside

to break large assignments into pieces

to elect for president