



Infinitive and Gerund Phrases

To comment on behavior, we can use the following structures:

| <i>It + be + adjective/noun + infinitive phrase</i> | <i>These sentences can also be restated with gerund phrases.</i> |
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| It's rude to ignore your conversation partner. | Ignoring your conversation partner is rude. |
| It's a good idea to try out different topics | Trying out different topics is a good idea. |
| The word <i>considered</i> may also follow be in this kind of sentence. | |
| It's considered impolite to interrupt people. | Interrupting people is considered impolite. |
| These sentences can also include the phrase <i>for + person/pronoun</i> . | |
| It's customary for the complimenter to say nice things about others | Saying nice things about others is customary for the complimenter. |

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