

# LE GÉRONDIF(FORME EN -ING)

*Mr Jones likes reading.*

## Emploi

**Le gérondif peut remplir toutes les fonctions du groupe nominal:**

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| Sujet          | <i>Reading is his favourite pastime.</i> |
| Objet direct   | <i>Bill likes fishing.</i>               |
| Objet indirect | <i>He took to gardening.</i>             |

**Il s'emploie avec tous les déterminant du nom :**

*Her coming back was unexpected.*  
*Would you mind John's coming with us?*  
*I don't like playing cricket.*

**Il s'emploie aussi après une conjonction ou une préposition (sauf to) :**

*He went out without taking his umbrella.*  
*She's been playing all afternoon instead of doing her homework.*

**Il s'emploie aussi après certains verbes ou expression tels avoid, can't help, deny, dislike, enjoy, finish, give up, go on, imagine, keep, mind, miss, risk, stop, suggest, it's no fun, it's no good, it's no use, ...**

*I enjoy listening to classical music.*

**De plus, on l'emploie à la voix passive :**

*He was afraid of being seen in his pyjamas.*

