

Verb + to... (infinitive)*Verb + „to“ ... (Infinitiv)***Complete each sentence with a suitable verb. In some cases, there might be several options.***Ergänzen Sie die Sätze mit einem passenden Verb. Manchmal kann es mehrere Möglichkeiten geben.***Verbs used with the to-infinitive**

afford to	decide to	manage to	seem to
agree to	demand to	offer to	tell to
aim to	deserve to	plan to	tend to
appear to	fail to	prefer to	threaten to
arrange to	forget to	pretend to	want to
attempt to	hope to	promise to	
claim to	learn to	refuse to	

- a) You _____ to lend us some money. (*simple past*)
 b) Unfortunately, poor Simon _____ to catch Sarah's attention. (*simple past*)
 c) Don't _____ to do your homework. (*infinitive*)
 d) My sister _____ not to get married. (*simple past*)
 e) The customer _____ to see the manager. (*simple past*)
 f) The man _____ not to be late. (*simple past*)
 g) There was a lot of traffic but he _____ to get to the railway station in time. (*simple past*)
 h) How old was she when she _____ to cook? (*simple past*)
 i) Children _____ to prefer sweets to vegetables. (*simple present*)
 j) Women _____ to recall more details of their dreams. (*simple present*)
 k) I _____ to buy a new bike. (*simple past*)
 l) The guy _____ to be harmless. (*simple past*)
 m) I _____ to be in Edinburgh next week. (*simple present*)
 n) He _____ to walk rather than to catch the bus. (*simple present*)
 o) The girl _____ to have been to Africa. (*simple present*)
 p) The soldier _____ to carry out the order. (*simple past*)
 q) "My doctor _____ me to stop having intimate dinners for four. Unless there are three other people." – Orson Welles, film director and actor (*simple past*)
 r) London was great, but quite expensive, so we could never _____ to do any of the fun stuff it is known for. (*infinitive*)

Answers

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- a) You **agreed/decided/wanted** to lend us some money.
- b) Unfortunately, poor Simon **failed** to catch Sarah's attention.
- c) Don't **forget** to do your homework.
- d) My sister **decided/hoped/agreed** not to get married. (*Not "want"! In this case, it would be "didn't want to".*)
- e) The customer **demanded/hoped/wanted/managed** to see the manager.
- f) The man **promised/hoped** not to be late. (*Not "want"! In this case, it would be "didn't want to".*)
- g) There was a lot of traffic but he **managed** to get to the railway station in time.
- h) How old was she when she **learned/decided/agreed** to cook?
- i) Children **tend/seem/appear** to prefer sweets to vegetables.
- j) Women **tend/seem/appear** to recall more details of their dreams.
- k) I **decided/hoped/wanted** to buy a new bike.
- l) The guy **pretended/appeared/seemed** to be harmless.
- m) I **hope/want** to be in Edinburgh next week.
- n) He **prefers** to walk rather than to catch the bus.
- o) The girl **claims** to have been to Africa.
- p) The soldier **refused/decided/wanted** to carry out the order.
- q) "My doctor **told/wanted** me to stop having intimate dinners for four. Unless there are three other people." (*It is, however, "told" in the original quotation.*)
- r) London was great, but quite expensive, so we could never **afford** to do any of the fun stuff it is known for.