**17. GERUNDS**

1. **Circle the gerunds and underline the phrases or clauses the gerund is a part of:**
   1. Sonam is good at **climbing** **mountains**.
   2. Kiren is afraid of **swimming** **in the sea**.
   3. For a batsman, **coming** **in to bat last** can be very challenging.
   4. Sumit dreams of **becoming** **a dancer**.
   5. **Staying** **at a homestay** was a wonderful experience.
   6. My favourite part of the vacation was **diving** **into the sea and** **swimming** **with the turtles and seahorses**.
   7. Rakhi is very good at **making** **new friends**.
   8. **Being kind to one another** is the only thing that matter.
2. **Put together the following words in the correct order and circle the gerund:**
   1. **Meditating** is a form of exercise for the mind.
   2. He likes **knitting** funny hats for his cat.
   3. **Talking** to my best friend made me feel better.
   4. **Littering** in public places is a bad habit.
   5. Juhi like **taking** part in sports.
   6. Adil loves **picking** apples from the orchard.
   7. **Teaching** young children is a fulfilling career.
   8. **Running** a marathon requires a lot of training.
3. **Complete these sentences with your own phrases:**

* **Do it by yourself.**

1. **Complete the following sentences with the –*ing* form of the verbs given in the box:**
   1. participating
   2. checking
   3. presenting
   4. living
   5. playing
   6. acting
   7. taking
   8. swimming
2. **Here are a few of the common signs used on the roads. Use gerund forms to write what they mean, with the help of the prompts given:**
   1. Parking is not allowed here.
   2. Taking a left turn here is prohibited.
   3. Overtaking other vehicles on this stretch/road is prohibited.
   4. Using mobile phone is not allowed.
3. **Complete the passage with the gerund forms of the verbs given in brackets:**

Sleeping, floating, crashing, eating, drinking, playing, putting, drinking, Trying