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**THE GRAMMAR**

**Gerunds and Infinitives**

***Gerunds:***

* ***After prepositions: ‘I am sick of waiting.***
* ***After phrasal verbs: ‘I will give up smoking.’***
* ***As the subject of a sentence: ‘Learning French is hard.’***

***Infinitives:***

* ***After adjectives: ‘She is happy to help.’***
* ***To express a reason: ‘I am exercising to get fit.’***

**THE PRONUNCIATION**

***Question Tags***

* ***If you are sure of the answer, the intonation at the end of the question tag goes down: ‘We are going to lose, aren’t we?’***
* ***If you are not sure of the answer, the intonation at the end of the question goes up: ‘You prefer tea, don’t you?’***

**THE VOCABULARY**

* **To get out of: ‘I want to try to get out of dinner.’**
* **Not on speaking terms: ‘They had an argument and aren’t on speaking terms anymore.’**
* **A golden opportunity: ‘Going to London to learn English is a good opportunity.’**
* **To tread carefully: ‘She is upset so tread carefully.’**
* **Food for thought: ‘Your advice has given me food for thought.’**

**THE HISTORY**

**http://www.royal.gov.uk/historyofthemonarchy/kingsandqueensofengland/thenormans/williamitheconqueror.aspx**

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