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Gerunds and Infinitives

Write the correct form of the verb.
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2. He is so impatient that he can't wait (speak)
3. Speech class will give you practice (speak) in front of people.
4. I expect (finish) this by three o'clock.
5. They are preparing (eat)dinner.
6. Bernadette dislikes (cook)
7. They refuse (take) money from their wives.
8. I want (quit) the baseball team.
9. Doctors recommend (drink) lots of water after exercising.
10. Pete just decided (look) for a job.
11. They seemed (enjoy) the play.
12. Harry detests (write) long papers.
13. John can't afford (buy) a new car.
14. My parents suggested (wait) two weeks before I made my final decision.
15. Sarah expected (win) the competition.
16. They demanded (be) seated.
17. Martha considered (call) her ex-boyfriend.
18. Billy promised (eat)all of his spinach.
19. Louise finished (run)at 6:00.
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