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GERUND PHRASE

EXERCISE: Find the gerund phrase, then identify whether it is used as subject, predicate nominative, direct object, indirect object, appositive, or object of a preposition.

1. I earn spending money by mowing people's lawns.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

2. The restaurant's goal is serving customers efficiently and courteously.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

3. Recognizing cinema excellence is the job of film critics.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

4. I will give visiting Argentina consideration for my next vacation.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

5. It is helpful to have good eyes for knitting and sewing.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

6. Sarah enjoys her hobby, collecting and repairing old stereos.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

7. The slow rocking of the boat lulled the passengers to sleep.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

8. He started collecting stamps when he was eight years old.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

9. Understanding quantum physics was a nearly impossible task.

Gerund Phrase: _____ Used as: _____

10. She dedicated her afternoon to preparing a history presentation.

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Answer Keys:

EXERCISE:

	GERUND PHRASE	USED AS
1.	mowing people's lawns.	Object of a Preposition
2.	serving customers efficiently and courteously.	Predicate Nominative
3.	Recognizing cinema excellence	Subject
4.	visiting Argentina	Indirect Object
5.	knitting and sewing	Object of a Preposition
6.	collecting and repairing old stereos.	Appositive
7.	The slow rocking of the boat	Subject
8.	collecting stamps	Direct Object
9.	Understanding quantum physics	Subject
10.	preparing a history presentation.	Object of a Preposition