

Spot the Slip Saturday Answer Key

Corrections (errors in italics above):

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| 1. decided <i>going</i> → decided to go | 6. promised <i>helping</i> → promised to help |
| 2. wanted <i>playing</i> → wanted to play | 7. finished <i>to ride</i> → finished riding |
| 3. suggested <i>to ride</i> → suggested riding | 8. admitted <i>to forget</i> → admitted forgetting |
| 4. agreed <i>joining</i> → agreed to join | 9. hopes <i>seeing</i> → hopes to see |
| 5. enjoys <i>to spend</i> → enjoys spending | 10. looks forward to <i>plan</i> → looks forward to planning |

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Story:

Last Saturday, Mia decided **to go** to the park with her friends. She wanted **to play** basketball, but the others suggested **riding** their bikes instead. Mia agreed **to join** the bike ride because she enjoys **spending** time outdoors.

On the way, her brother promised **to help** her fix her bike if it broke. Luckily, nothing went wrong, so they finished **riding** the trail without problems. Afterward, Mia's friend admitted **forgetting** bringing snacks, so they all laughed.

Mia hopes **to see** her friends again next weekend, and she plans **to invite** them to her house for a movie night. She can't stand **being** bored, so she always looks forward to **planning** fun activities with them.

Teacher Guide / Notes

- Errors are deliberately mixed: some verbs that always need gerunds (*enjoy, finish, admit*), some that always need infinitives (*decide, want, agree, promise, hope*), and tricky constructions (*look forward to + gerund*).
- **Extension idea:** Have students write their own short story (5-6 sentences) with **3 intentional gerund/infinitive errors** for a partner to find.