



ENGLISH GRAMMAR 2 INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

Unit 63 – There's no point in -inglit's worth -ing etc.



THERE'S NO POINT IN DOING SOMETHING

We say:

there's no point in

it's no use

oit's no good

- EX1: There's no point in having a car if you never use it.
- EX2: There was no point in waiting any longer, so we left.
- EX3: It's no use worrying about what happened. There's nothing you can do about it.
- EX4: It's no good trying to persuade me. You won't succeed.

We say 'no point in ...' but 'the point of ...':

- EX5: There's no point in having a car.
- EX6: What's the point of having a car if you never use it?



IT'S WORTH DOING

We say:

it's worth doing something it's not worth

- EX7: It's a nice town. It's worth spending a few days there.
- Our flight was very early in the morning, so it wasn't worth going to bed.

You can say that something is worth it or not worth it:

- EX9: You should spend a couple of days here. It's worth it.
- EX10: We didn't go to bed. It wasn't worth it.

You can also say that something is worth doing, a movie is worth seeing etc.:

- EX11: It's a great movie. It's worth seeing.
- EX12: Thieves broke into the house, but didn't take anything. There was nothing worth stealing.
- EX13: It's an interesting idea. It's worth thinking about.



HAVE TROUBLE DOING SOMETHING

We say:

	trouble	
Have	difficulty	doing
	a problem	

- EX14: I had no trouble finding a place to stay. (not trouble to find)
- EX15: Did you have a problem getting a visa?
- EX16: People sometimes have difficulty reading my writing.



VERB + OBJECT + PREPOSITION + -ING

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We say:

spend	time	doing something
waste		

- EX17: He spent hours trying to repair the clock.
- EX18: I waste a lot of time doing nothing.

We also say '(be) busy doing something':

EX19: She said she couldn't meet me. She was too busy doing other things.

GO SHOPPING

We use go -ing for sports and other activities. For example:

go sailing

go swimming

go fishing

go riding

go hiking

go surfing

go scuba diving

go skiing

go jogging

go camping

- EX20: How often do you go swimming?
- EX21: We went skiing last year.
- EX22: Tom isn't here. He's gone shopping.
- EX23: I've never been sailing.



BÀI TẬP NHANH

Select the best answer.

I managed to get a visa, but it was difficult.

I had a problem ______ a visa.

- A. to get
- B. in getting
- C. get
- D. getting



TÓM TẮT

- 1. Để diễn tả ý "Chẳng có ích gì trong việc làm gì đó" chúng ta dùng mẫu câu "there's no point in" / "it's no use" / "it's no good" doing something There's no point in having a car if you never use it.
- 2. Lưu ý giới từ theo sau "there's no point" là "in" nhưng theo sau "the point" là "of" What's the point of having a car if you never use it?
- 3. Để diễn tả ý "Đáng hoặc không đáng làm gì đó" chúng ta dùng mẫu câu "it's worth or it's not worth doing something" It's a nice town. It's worth spending a few days there.
- 4. Để nói gặp rắc rối, khó khăn trong việc gì đó, chúng ta dùng cấu trúc "have trouble / have difficulty / have a problem doing something" I had no trouble finding a place to stay.
- 5. Để nói dành, lãng phí thời gian hoặc bận rộn làm việc gì đó, chúng ta nói "spend time / waste time / busy doing something" He spent hours trying to repair the clock.
- 6. Để nói đi chơi môn thể thao hoặc hoạt động giải trí nào đó, chúng ta nói "go doing something" We went skiing last year.