## Gerunds

We use this verb form as a noun.

Running, doing, being, going, playing

EX:

(gerund)
Talking got them in trouble again.

## PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:

**A:** Read the sentence, please.

**B:** Talking got them in trouble again.

A: Great. Do you see a gerund?

**B:** I sure do. *Talking* is a gerund.

**A:** How do you know?

**B:** It says so.

A: Ha! What is a gerund?

**B:** It's a verb with an -ing ending.

**A:** Yes. And what part of speech is it acting as now?

**B:** It's a noun!

**A:** Do you remember noun proof?

**B:** I do. I can prove that *talking* is a noun.

A: Let's hear!

**B:** A talking, the talking, some talking.

**A:** Wonderful! Gerunds are nouns.

