GrammarError.com

Basics. Verb Patterns with I'd Rather and It's Time

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Infinitive | Modal verb | Negation | Past tense | Phrase | Subjunctive mood | Verb | Verb mood | Verb tense | Simple tense

1. Choose the correct verb form to complete the partygoer's dramatic complaint.

"This party is incredibly boring. I'd rather _____ home and watch paint dry than stay here another minute."

Select one.

A) go
B) went
C) to go
D) going

2. Complete the procrastinating student's midnight realization by choosing the correct verb form for each gap.

Look at the clock! It's time _____ writing this history essay.

Honestly, it's high time I _____ my assignments more seriously instead of watching penguin documentaries.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) to start
B) started
C) start

Blank 2

A) take
B) took
C) taken

3. Help the nervous ghost hunter urge their friends to leave the haunted mansion. Select ALL the grammatically correct sentences.

Select all that apply.

A) It's time we left this spooky house!
B) It's time to leave this spooky house!
C) It's time us left this spooky house!
D) It's time we to leave this spooky house!

4. Help the stressed roommate set some ground rules by choosing the best phrase for each gap.

"I'd rather you _____ a wild raccoon into our apartment," sighed Mark, looking at the trash-covered kitchen floor. "I'd rather _____ a normal pet, like a dog or a slightly aggressive goldfish."

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) don't bring
B) didn't bring
C) not bring

Blank 2

A) get
B) got
C) getting

5. Complete the tech-savvy friend's dramatic advice by selecting the correct verb.

"Your phone still has physical buttons and a pull-out antenna! It's high time you _____ a smartphone from this decade."

Select one.

- **A)** buy
- **B)** bought
- **C)** to buy
- **D)** will buy

6. Complete the headmaster's exasperated lecture to the lazy wizard by selecting the correct option for each blank.

"It's about time you _____ taking your potion classes seriously!" yelled Professor Fizzle, wiping green slime off his robes. "It's time _____ up and realize that magic doesn't just happen by itself!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** start
- **B)** started
- **C)** to start

Blank 2

- **A)** to wake
- **B)** woke
- **C)** waking

7. Help the frustrated roommate express their preference about the mountain of dirty plates in the sink. Select ALL the grammatically correct options.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I'd rather you washed the dishes tonight.
- **B)** I'd rather wash the dishes myself than wait for you.
- **C)** I'd rather you to wash the dishes tonight.
- **D)** I'd rather washing the dishes myself than wait for you.

8. Help the frustrated roommate express their preference politely but firmly by choosing the correct verb phrase.

"I know you love your seafood, but I'd rather you _____ fish in our shared microwave."

Select one.

- **A)** don't cook
- **B)** didn't cook
- **C)** not cook
- **D)** haven't cooked

9. Help the exhausted roommate express their preferences by choosing the correct verb form for each blank.

I'm way too tired to cook a full meal. I'd rather _____ pizza tonight.

However, I'd rather you _____ the kitchen from yesterday before the mold forms its own civilization.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** order
- **B)** ordered
- **C)** to order

Blank 2

- **A)** clean
- **B)** cleaned
- **C)** cleaning

10. The boss is having a polite but firm chat with an employee who is notoriously late. Select ALL the sentences that use correct grammar for this situation.

Select all that apply.

A) It's high time you bought an alarm clock!
B) I'd rather you didn't arrive late every single day.
C) It's high time you to buy an alarm clock!
D) I'd rather you not arriving late every single day.