ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Object Before -ing Quiz: I Don’t Mind Him Coming

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Explanations

1. I don’t mind ___ coming with us.
✔ **A) him**
In everyday English, the new subject of the -ing form is an object pronoun: him coming.

2. In formal English: Do you mind ___ the window?
✔ **B) my opening**
In formal English, the possessive can come before the -ing form: my opening.

3. Choose the correct sentence.
✔ **C) Do you mind if I sit here?**
Use Do you mind if I + verb, or Do you mind me + -ing. Not Do you mind I sit.

4. I really appreciate ___ me with the move.
✔ **D) you helping**
Appreciate is followed by object + -ing: I appreciate you helping me.

5. In careful English: ___ arriving late annoyed everyone.
✔ **A) His**
When the -ing phrase is the subject of the sentence, use the possessive: His arriving late...

6. Is there any chance ___ winning the match?
✔ **B) of them**
After a preposition, use an object pronoun (or possessive) + -ing: of them winning.

7. I can’t imagine ___ that to her boss.
✔ **C) her saying**
Imagine + object + -ing: I can’t imagine her saying that.

8. The heavy snow stopped ___ to school.
✔ **D) us going**
Stop + object + (from) + -ing: The snow stopped us (from) going.

9. Which sentence has the same meaning? “I’m worried that Jack drives at night.”
✔ **A) I’m worried about Jack driving at night.**
After about, use a noun + -ing: about Jack driving.

10. Which sentence has a mistake?
✔ **B) I don’t mind he comes with us.**
Say I don’t mind him coming or I don’t mind if he comes. Not mind he comes.

11. Which is the formal version of “They were angry about us leaving early”?
✔ **C) They were angry about our leaving early.**
In formal English, a possessive (our) can replace the object pronoun (us).

12. I remember ___ me a story every night when I was small.
✔ **D) my grandmother telling**
Remember + object + -ing: I remember my grandmother telling me stories.

13. Which sentence means “I don’t mind if they stay late”?
✔ **A) I don’t mind them staying late.**
Them shows that they stay, not me. I don’t mind staying late means I stay late.

14. In “Thank you for helping me”, who did the helping?
✔ **B) the person being thanked**
With no new subject, the -ing form has the same subject: you helped me.

15. Sorry about ___ late again. The bus didn’t come.
✔ **C) me being**
In everyday English, use an object pronoun + -ing after a preposition: about me being late.

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