

To Prevent Overheating

To prevent overheating the vehicle.

“prevent” acts as a verb auxiliary.

To prevent overheating and damaging the vehicle.

The vehicle would be damaged by overheating.

To prevent overheating and damaging our reputation.

Our reputation would be damaged by the overheating, but our reputation would not overheat.

To prevent the overheating of the engine.

Sometimes overheating following “prevent” (and “keep”) is a VerbalPresentParticiple, sometimes an AdjectivalParticiple.

Adjectival Participle

To prevent overheating of the engine

To prevent overheating and damage.

VerbalPresentParticiple

To prevent overheating the engine

To prevent overheating and damaging the engine

The engine started overheating.

He started overloading the engine

The engine started overheating.

The engine is overheating.

The engine kept overheating.

The engine stopped overheating.