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● A1 TEENS · GRAMMAR · LESSON 28

My Hobbies *Talking about what you love doing*

I love **playing** football. She enjoys **reading** books. My brother hates **doing** homework! In this lesson you'll learn the names of free-time activities and how to talk about them with **like**, **love**, **enjoy** and **hate** + the **-ing** form of a verb.

 45 minutes CEFR A1 like + -ing Free-time Activities

01

WARM-UP

Think before you start

Think about your free time...

You don't need to write anything. Just think, or tell a partner.

1. What do you do after school and at the weekend?
2. What is your favourite hobby?
3. Is there an activity you really don't like?
4. What hobby would you like to try one day?

like + -ing, step by step

The big pattern: verb + verb-ing

To talk about hobbies and free-time activities, we use a feeling verb (**like, love, enjoy, hate**) and then a second verb with **-ing** on the end.

subject

+

like / love / enjoy / hate

+

verb-ing

=

I like playing tennis.

LIKE

I like **swimming** in summer.

LOVE

She **loves dancing** with her friends.

ENJOY

We **enjoy playing** video games.

How to make the -ing form

Usually we just add **-ing**. But watch out — sometimes the spelling changes a little!

play

→

playing

just add -ing

swim

→

swimming

double the last letter

dance

→

dancing

drop the e

run

→

running

double the last letter

RULE

EXAMPLES

Most verbs: + ing

read → **reading**, watch → **watching**, play → **playing**

Verb ends in e : drop e + ing

dance → **dancing**, ride → **riding**, make → **making**

Short verb (CVC): double + ing

swim → **swimming**, run → **running**, sit → **sitting**

From love to hate: how much do you like it?

These feeling verbs show how much you like an activity, from the most to the least.



love



like / enjoy



don't like



hate

All of them take the **-ing** form: I love **cooking** · I don't like **running** · I hate **cleaning**.

? Negatives & questions

To say "no", we use **don't** (I/you/we/they) or **doesn't** (he/she/it). To ask, we use **Do** or **Does**. The second verb still ends in **-ing**!

- NO I **don't like** getting up early.

- NO He **doesn't enjoy** running.

? ASK **Do** you like **painting**? — Yes, I do. / No, I don't.

? ASK **Does** she like **dancing**? — Yes, she does.

💡 Remember!

like + -ing

love + -ing

enjoy + -ing

hate + -ing

What's your favourite...?

in my free time

Free-time activities

ACTIVITY	MEANING	EXAMPLE
playing football <i>activity</i>	playing the sport with a ball and a team	<i>I love playing football after school.</i>
reading <i>activity</i>	looking at words in a book and understanding them	<i>She enjoys reading before bed.</i>
drawing <i>activity</i>	making pictures with a pencil or pen	<i>He is good at drawing animals.</i>
painting <i>activity</i>	making pictures with colours and a brush	<i>I like painting with my friends.</i>
dancing <i>activity</i>	moving your body to music	<i>My sister loves dancing.</i>
swimming <i>activity</i>	moving through water using your arms and legs	<i>We go swimming in summer.</i>
cooking <i>activity</i>	making food in the kitchen	<i>Do you like cooking pasta?</i>
playing video games <i>activity</i>	playing games on a computer or console	<i>My brother enjoys playing video games.</i>
listening to music <i>activity</i>	hearing songs and enjoying them	<i>I love listening to music on the bus.</i>
riding a bike <i>activity</i>	going somewhere on a bicycle	<i>She enjoys riding a bike in the park.</i>

A DAY IN THE LIFE · ISSUE 28

The Friday Club: *everybody loves something different*

Four friends, four very different hobbies

Every Friday afternoon, the school has a Hobby Club. Four friends — Sara, Tom, Lily and Max — all go, but they all love doing different things. Let's meet them!

Sara and Tom

Sara loves **painting**. She sits at the big table and paints pictures of flowers and the sea. "I really enjoy **mixing** colours," she says. Her best friend Tom is different. Tom hates **painting** — he says it's **boring**! Tom loves **playing** football in the school garden. He plays every Friday with the other boys.

Lily

Lily is very **creative**. She enjoys **dancing** and **listening** to music. On Fridays, she dances with three other girls. "I love **moving** to fast music," she says. Lily doesn't like **sitting** still — she wants to move all the time!

Max

Max is the quiet one. He enjoys **reading** and **drawing** superheroes. He has a big **notebook** full of his pictures. "I don't like **playing** sports," he says, "but I love **making** my own comic books." His comics are really good, and his friends love reading them.

Four friends, four hobbies, one happy club. Tom likes **sport**, Sara likes art, Lily likes dancing and Max likes drawing. They are all different — and that's what makes the

Friday Club so much fun!

05

VOCABULARY CARDS

Review & remember

like

01

verb (feeling)

To think something is nice or good. Use with -ing.

"I like reading."

love

02

verb (feeling)

To like something very, very much.

"She loves dancing."

enjoy

03

verb (feeling)

To get pleasure from doing something.

"We enjoy swimming."

hate

04

verb (feeling)

To not like something at all.

"He hates cleaning his room."

hobby

05

noun

An activity you do for fun in your free time.

"My hobby is painting."

free time


06

noun

Time when you are not at school or working.

"In my free time, I draw."

Fill in the blanks

 Write the correct **-ing** form of the verb in brackets. Watch the spelling rules!

- 1 I love _____ football. (*play*)
- 2 She enjoys _____. (*dance*)
- 3 We like _____ in summer. (*swim*)
- 4 He hates _____ his room. (*clean*)
- 5 My sister loves _____ books. (*read*)
- 6 Do you like _____ ? (*cook*)
- 7 They enjoy _____ in the park. (*run*)
- 8 I don't like _____ a bike. (*ride*)

Talk about your hobbies

Ask your partner about their free time

Work with a partner. Ask and answer using **like**, **love**, **enjoy** and **hate + -ing**. Don't forget to ask one more question!



What do you like doing in your free time?



Do you enjoy playing sports? Which one?



What is your favourite hobby?



Is there an activity you hate doing?



What new hobby would you like to try?

EXAMPLE CONVERSATION

A: What do you like doing in your free time?

B: I love drawing and listening to music. And you?

A: I enjoy playing video games, but I don't like reading.

B: Do you like swimming?


A: Yes, I do! I go swimming every weekend.

Write about your hobbies (50–70 words)

Write about what you like and don't like doing in your free time. Use feeling verbs and the -ing form. Try to include these things:

- use *like* , *love* , *enjoy* AND *hate* at least once each
- use 5 or more activities with the *-ing* form
- write one negative sentence (*I don't like...*)
- say what your favourite hobby is

Check your understanding

 Read each question and tick (✓) the correct box.

1. Choose the correct form: I like ___ football.

A play

B plays

C playing

D to playing

2. Make the -ing form: swim → ?

A swiming

B swimming

C swimeing

D swimm

3. Make the -ing form: dance → ?

A danceing

B dancing

C danceing

D dancning

4. Choose the correct sentence:

A She love dancing.

B She loves dance.

C She loves dancing.

D She loves to dancing.

5. Complete the negative: He ___ enjoy running.

A don't

B doesn't

C not

D isn't

6. Make a question: ___ you like painting?

A Are

B Does

C Do

D Is

7. Which verb means you like something the MOST?

A hate

B like

C love

D don't like

8. Choose the correct form: They enjoy ___ video games.

A play

B playing

C plays

D to play

Lesson 28 — My Hobbies

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Answer Key

For teachers · Fleydo English School · Lesson 28 — My Hobbies (like + -ing)



Part 6 — Fill in the Blanks

1. playing

2. dancing

3. swimming

4. cleaning

5. reading

6. cooking

7. running

8. riding



Part 9 — Comprehension Quiz

1. **C)** playing

After 'like' we use the -ing form: I like playing football.

2. **B)** swimming

Short verbs like 'swim' double the last letter: swim → swimming.

3. **B)** dancing

Verbs ending in 'e' drop the e: dance → dancing.

4. **C)** She loves dancing.

He/she/it takes 'loves', and after it we use the -ing form: She loves dancing.

5. **B)** doesn't

For he/she/it the negative is 'doesn't'. He doesn't enjoy running.

6. **C)** Do

For 'you' we use 'Do' to make a question: Do you like painting?

7. C) love

'love' is the strongest positive feeling — more than 'like'.

8. B) playing

After 'enjoy' we always use the -ing form: They enjoy playing video games.