



English Talkies

Hobbies and Activities

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This guide teaches you how to discuss hobbies and free time activities. Practice expressing your interests and asking others about theirs.

■ Essential Vocabulary

Word	Definition	Example
hobby	Activity you do for fun	Reading is my favorite hobby
enjoy	To like something	I enjoy playing guitar
free time	Time when you are not working	I watch movies in my free time
activity	Something you do	Swimming is a fun activity
cooking	Making food	I love cooking dinner
painting	Making art with colors	She enjoys painting flowers
gardening	Growing plants	Gardening is relaxing
reading	Looking at books	Reading helps me learn
exercise	Physical activity for health	I do exercise every morning
music	Sounds that are pleasant	I listen to music daily
travel	To go to different places	I like to travel in summer
weekend	Saturday and Sunday	I relax on the weekend
favorite	Most liked	Blue is my favorite color
relax	To rest and feel calm	I relax by watching TV
interest	Something you like	Sports is my main interest

■ Key Phrases

What do you like to do? → What do you like to do? | **I enjoy...** → I enjoy... | **In my free time** → In my free time | **My favorite hobby is** → My favorite hobby is | **I like to...** → I like to... | **It's very relaxing** → It's very relaxing

■ Grammar Rules

1. Like + Verb-ing: Use 'like' followed by a verb with -ing ending to talk about activities you enjoy. This is the standard pattern for expressing preferences about activities.
2. Enjoy + Verb-ing: The verb 'enjoy' must always be followed by a verb with -ing ending. This is a fixed grammar rule that cannot be changed.
3. Present Simple for Hobbies: Use present simple tense to talk about regular activities and hobbies. Add -s to verbs when the subject is he, she, or it.
4. Question Formation: Use 'What do you like to do?' to ask about hobbies. For third person, use 'What does he/she like to do?'
5. Free Time Expressions: Use 'in my free time' at the beginning of sentences to talk about when you do hobbies. This expression shows the time when activities happen.
6. Favorite with Singular Nouns: Use 'favorite' with singular nouns only. Say 'my favorite book' not 'my favorite books' when talking about one preferred thing.

■ Study Tips

1. Practice talking about your real hobbies | 2. Learn new hobby vocabulary each week | 3. Ask friends about their free time activities