

GIVING YOUR OPINIONS

- 1 Read what Sara says. What does she give opinions about?

cinema holidays music shopping sports



I like lots of sports. I think tennis is great and I like volleyball. My favourite sport is football because it's very exciting. In the evening, I don't like watching TV because it's boring. I prefer listening to music. I like rock music best. I like going shopping because I love buying new clothes. I prefer going shopping with friends because it's fun.

- 2 Read what Sara says again and answer the questions.

- 1 What is Sara's favourite sport?
- 2 What does she like doing in the evening?
- 3 Who does she prefer going shopping with?

KEY LANGUAGE FOR GIVING YOUR OPINIONS

Talking about likes and dislikes:

I like ...

I don't like ...

I like ... best.

I love ...

I prefer ...

I think ... is fun / interesting / exciting.

My favourite (sport, school subject, music) is ...

Notice how we use *like*, *love* and *prefer*:

I like / love / prefer maths / films / music.

*I like / love / prefer **going** shopping with friends.*

*I prefer history **to** geography.*

We often give a reason for our likes and dislikes:

*I don't like this computer game **because** I think it's boring.*

*I love football **because** it's very exciting.*

- 3 Complete the sentences with the correct words. Read what Sara says in Exercise 1 and check.

because best don't favourite love
prefer think

- 1 I tennis is great.
- 2 My sport is football.
- 3 I like watching TV.
- 4 I listening to music.
- 5 I like rock music
- 6 I buying new clothes.
- 7 I prefer going shopping with friends it's fun.

- 4 Choose the correct words to complete the opinions.

- 1 *I'm think / I think* some TV shows are boring.
- 2 I prefer science *for / to* art because science is really interesting.
- 3 *I'm not / don't* like reading magazines.
- 4 I love *see / seeing* my friends at the weekend.
- 5 I like playing computer games *because / so* they're fun.
- 6 *The favourite / My favourite* food is pizza.

- 5 Read the opinions of three teenagers. Choose the reason that each person gives for their opinion.



1

I play the guitar every day. I'm not very good at it, but I like playing because I love music. Rihanna is my favourite singer!



2

At school, I like English and history, but I don't like maths. It's really difficult, and I always get all the answers wrong!



3

This is my favourite film. It doesn't have my favourite actors, but I love it because it's really exciting.

1 I like playing the guitar because ...

A I love music.

B I'm good at it.

2 I don't like maths because ...

A it's boring.

B it's difficult.

3 I love this film because ...

A it's exciting.

B my favourite actors are in it.

6 Complete the sentences with your own opinions and reasons. You can use these adjectives to help you give reasons.



amazing boring difficult exciting fun
great interesting

1 I like / don't like reading because ...

2 I like / don't like football because ...

3 I like / don't like shopping because ...

4 I like / don't like playing computer games because ...

7 Work in pairs. Discuss these topics. For each group, say which things you like and don't like. Say which you prefer and which you like best. Give reasons for your opinions.

football tennis swimming

maths history art

going to the beach going to the cinema
going to a museum

I don't like football because it's boring. I prefer tennis to swimming because swimming is difficult. I like tennis best.

8 You are going to give your opinion about one of these topics. Choose a topic and prepare your answers to the questions. Think of reasons for your answers.

Sports



- What sports do you like doing?
- What's your favourite sport?
- What sports don't you like?
- Do you prefer doing sports or watching them on TV?
- Do you prefer to do sports by yourself or with other people?

Holidays



- When do you like going on holiday?
- What's your favourite place for a holiday?
- What activities do you like doing on holiday?
- What activities don't you like?
- Do you prefer to go on holiday with your family or with friends?

9 Tell the class your ideas. Whose ideas are the same as yours? Whose ideas are different?

Active listening

Listen while your partner speaks. Tick words and phrases from the *Key Language* box that you hear.

Shopping



- Where do you like to go shopping?
- What do you like to buy with your money?
- What don't you like buying?
- Do you prefer to buy clothes online or in shops?
- Who do you prefer to go shopping with?