

READING

You are going to read about how three people spend their free time.

A Read the article on the right and decide:

- 1 Who is most similar to you? Why?
- 2 Who do you think is the happiest person? Why?

B Read again and decide which person:

- 1 does sport or exercise.
- 2 spends a lot of money.
- 3 is tired at the weekend.
- 4 likes TV.
- 5 seems quiet.
- 6 has a busy social life.
- 7 goes to bed quite early.
- 8 works long hours.

C Complete the sentences with the prepositions in **bold** in the article.

- 1 I sometimes have a short sleep the afternoon.
- 2 I go a gym near my house to keep fit.
- 3 I often go a walk with my wife after dinner.
- 4 I'm always very busy Mondays.
- 5 We don't usually do very much the weekend – just relax.
- 6 I listen to English radio an hour or two every night.
- 7 Our school day finishes four.
- 8 the week, I stay at home in the evening.

LANGUAGE PATTERNS

Write the sentences in your language.

Translate them back into English. Compare your English to the original.

Maybe once or twice a year.
I usually have a shower twice a day.
He works at the weekend once a month.
She goes running maybe four times a week.

SPEAKING

A Work in groups. Ask each other these questions.

- What do you normally do on Friday nights?
- What do you normally do on Saturdays?
- What do you normally do on Sundays?
- Do you go out in the evening during the week? When? What do you do?

B Who is the busiest person in the group?

DO YOU HAVE ANY FREE TIME?



Birgit from Germany

I do something most nights. **On** Mondays and Wednesdays, I go to an English class, and on Tuesdays, I usually go to the cinema with friends, because the tickets are cheap then. On Thursdays, I always go **to** the gym. I usually go out dancing on Saturday nights. I often get home at four or five in the morning, so on Sundays, I sleep! I sometimes get up at three **in** the afternoon.

Frankie from the UK

Free time? I don't have any free time because I have my own business. I occasionally go to a rock concert – about once or twice a year – and I sometimes go shopping **at** the weekend. I like buying expensive things with the money I earn. I have a really big TV and I have a very nice car.



Svetlana from Russia

I don't go out much **during** the week. I usually study **for** two hours in the evening. I never watch TV, really. I usually play the piano every day. It helps me to relax. Then I go to bed **at** nine or ten and read. At the weekend, I go out with my family to a park or the countryside, and we go **for** a walk. I sometimes go to a shopping centre with friends, but I hardly ever buy anything!

