

Practice Listening English Exercises for A2 – Hobbies and Pastimes

Exercise 1. Who would most enjoy these hobbies and pastimes? Check (✓) your answers and compare them with a partner. There may be more than one answer.

	Young child	Teenager	Adult	Retired person
gardening	☐	☐	☐	☐
cooking	☐	☐	☐	☐
playing sports	☐	☐	☐	☐
hiking	☐	☐	☐	☐
collecting comic books	☐	☐	☐	☐
playing video games	☐	☐	☐	☐
surfing the Internet	☐	☐	☐	☐

Exercise 2. Answer these questions about having a hobby.

Why do people have hobbies?

What is your hobby?

Which hobbies are the most popular in your country?

Exercise 3. People are talking about hobbies and pastimes. Listen and number the pictures. Write the correct number in the box.



Exercise 4. Read these sentences. Fill in the gaps with correct form of the verb. Use Present Simple.

1. I love to eat out . I eat at restaurants most of the time. I really _____ to eat at pizzerias.	love
2. I never used to _____ stamp collecting, but now I think it _____ great.	Like be
3. Hey, why _____ and see collection some times?	you come
4. My wife _____ I should take up gardening.	say
5. Well, everyone in family _____ sports – everyone, that is, except me.	love
6. I _____ chasing balls around a field.	Not like
7. My friends think I _____ really boring	be
8. We have a big garden, and she loves working in it, but the truth is, it _____ me.	bore
9. My friends and I _____ to the public library about twice a week .	go

Exercise 5. Match the words with their definition.

Eat out

a) more than one

Take up

b) to eat in a restaurant

Twice a week

c) to start doing a particular job or activity