

WORKSHEET: EXPRESSING PREFERENCE

Would rather & Would prefer

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: _____

A. GRAMMAR GUIDE

1. WOULD RATHER

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I would rather not go out.

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B. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION

Choose the correct answer.

1. I'd rather _____ at home tonight.
a) stay
b) to stay
c) staying
2. She would prefer _____ by bus.
a) travel
b) to travel
c) traveling
3. We'd rather _____ pizza than hamburgers.
a) eat
b) to eat
c) eating
4. They would prefer _____ the movie tomorrow.
a) watch
b) watching
c) to watch
5. Would you rather _____ tea or coffee?
a) have
b) to have
c) having
6. I would prefer _____ at home tonight.
a) not to stay
b) not stay
c) don't stay
7. He'd rather _____ video games than watch TV.
a) play
b) to play
c) playing
8. Would you prefer _____ by train or by plane?
a) travel

- b) to travel
 - c) traveling
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C. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

1. I'd rather _____ at home tonight. (stay)
 2. She would prefer _____ a new phone. (buy)
 3. We'd rather _____ to the beach. (go)
 4. He would prefer _____ at home this weekend. (study)
 5. They'd rather _____ a movie. (watch)
 6. I would prefer _____ pizza tonight. (eat)
 7. Would you rather _____ early or late? (leave)
 8. My friends would prefer _____ football. (play)
 9. She'd rather _____ at home. (not / work)
 10. I would prefer _____ out tonight. (not / go)
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D. WOULD RATHER OR WOULD PREFER?

Complete the sentences using *would rather* or *would prefer*.

1. I _____ stay home tonight.
 2. She _____ to study in the library.
 3. We _____ eat Italian food.
 4. He _____ to travel by train.
 5. They _____ watch a comedy.
 6. I _____ to go shopping tomorrow.
 7. My brother _____ play basketball.
 8. My parents _____ to stay at home.
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E. MAKE QUESTIONS

Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

1. rather / Would / you / stay / home / ?

2. prefer / Would / you / to / travel / by car / ?

3. rather / Would / she / eat / pizza / ?

4. prefer / Would / they / to / watch / a movie / ?

5. rather / Would / he / play / video games / ?

F. COMPLETE THE CONVERSATIONS

Complete each conversation with your own ideas.

1.

A: Would you rather **go to the beach or go to the mountains?**

B: I'd rather _____.

A: Why?

B: Because _____.

2.

A: Would you prefer **to watch a movie or to play a video game?**

B: I'd prefer _____.

A: Why?

B: Because _____.

3.

A: Would you rather **study in the morning or at night?**

B: I'd rather _____.

A: Why?

B: Because _____.

G. CHOOSE YOUR PREFERENCE

Choose one option and write a complete sentence using *would rather* or *would prefer*.

1. 🍕 Pizza / 🍔 Hamburger

I'd rather _____.

2. 🎬 Watch a movie / 🎮 Play video games

I would prefer _____.

3. 🏖️ Beach / 🏔️ Mountains

I'd rather _____.

4. 📖 Read a book / 📺 Watch TV

I would prefer _____.

5. 🚗 Travel by car / ✈️ Travel by plane

I'd rather _____.

6. 😊 Wake up early / 😴 Sleep late

I would prefer _____.

H. CORRECT THE MISTAKES

Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

1. I'd rather to stay home.

2. She would prefer go by bus.

3. Would you rather to eat pizza?

4. They'd prefer watch a movie.

5. He would rather to play football.

6. I'd prefer stay at home.
