

WRITING TASK

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Tell us about a leisure-time activity you really enjoy.

- How did you get started?
- Why do you enjoy it so much?

We will publish the most interesting articles in next month's issue.

Write your **article**.

EXAMPLE

Sailing

— a fun and exciting sport

I've always loved the sea, but I first experienced sailing last year. I went to stay with my aunt, who lives near the sea. She is a keen sailor and she suggested that I join the local sailing school. In the first lesson, I learnt how to steer the boat and some basic survival skills at sea. Although I found some things quite complicated at first, I soon mastered the basics. By the end of the course, I was quite a competent sailor. I really benefitted from meeting other people who were my age at the sailing club. When we became more experienced, we were allowed to take a small boat out on our own. It was really satisfying to take charge of the boat and we enjoyed being independent. It was a lot more difficult for us to sail when the weather was bad. I even fell in the water once, but it was very exciting trying to keep the boat under control in the rough sea. Despite the difficulties, I can't wait to go back there next summer. I love sailing because it's challenging and sociable.