

## Talking about PREFERENCES

### PREFER / WOULD PREFER / WOULD RATHER

**Ex. 1** Choose the best answer to fill the gap in each of the following:

1. I prefer coffee \_\_\_\_\_ tea.  
a. to      b. than      c. from
2. I don't fancy the theatre again. I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema.  
a. to      b. go      c. going
3. Although I love relaxing on beaches, I think I prefer \_\_\_\_\_ in the mountains.  
a. walk    b. walking    c. to walking
4. I'd rather speak to him in person \_\_\_\_\_ things over the phone.  
a. than discuss    b. to discussing    c. to discuss
5. I prefer trains \_\_\_\_\_ cars.  
a. from    b. than    c. to
6. I'm not a big fan of cars. I prefer \_\_\_\_\_ by train.  
a. travelling    b. travel    c. to travelling
7. If I had a choice I think I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_ London.  
a. live in Paris than in    b. live in Paris to    c. to live in Paris than
8. They'd rather have lunch inside, but I'd prefer \_\_\_\_\_ outside in the garden.  
a. eat    b. eating    c. to eat

**Ex. 2** Complete the sentence using the word in bold. Use two to six words.

1. Fiona likes dogs more than cats.

PREFERS

Fiona \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Michael would rather play football than do his homework.

PREFER

Michael would \_\_\_\_\_ do his homework.

3. James thinks going to pubs is better than staying at home.

TO

James prefers \_\_\_\_\_ at home.

4. I'd prefer to leave later if you don't mind.

YET

I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_ if you don't mind.

5. I'd rather walk than catch a bus.

RATHER

I'd prefer \_\_\_\_\_ a bus..

6. I don't really want to go out tonight.

PREFER

I \_\_\_\_\_ go out tonight.

**Ex. 3** Complete the gaps with the missing words.

1. Carmen prefers reading books \_\_\_\_\_ watching films.
2. What would you \_\_\_\_\_ do tonight - eat at home or go out to a restaurant?
3. I'd prefer to look for a job rather \_\_\_\_\_ go to university.
4. I'd rather \_\_\_\_\_ go for a walk today, if you don't mind.
5. Paul says he \_\_\_\_\_ rather watch paint dry than go to see a ballet.
6. Laura doesn't want to go out today. She'd \_\_\_\_\_ rather stay at home.