



Grammar

-ing form & to-infinitive

4 a) Read the box and find examples in the dialogue in Ex. 2a.

love, like, enjoy, hate, don't mind,
prefer + **-ing form**

I like watching soap operas.

Note: we can use love, like, hate and prefer either with an **-ing form** or with a **to-infinitive**

love, like, hate, prefer, would love,
would like, would prefer + **to-infinitive**

I'd like to watch something else.

b) Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form of the to-infinitive or the -ing form.

- A: James hates _____ (watch) soap operas.
B: I know. He prefers _____ (watch) documentaries.
- A: I'd like _____ (relax) in front of the TV tonight.
B: Oh no! It's Saturday! I'd prefer _____ (go) out somewhere.
- A: Dan still enjoys _____ (listen) to the top 40 chart show on the radio.
B: Really? I prefer _____ (watch) music videos on MTV.
- A: Emma loves _____ (answer) the questions when she watches quiz shows on TV.
B: I'd like _____ (see) her go on one as a contestant for real, though.
- A: Wouldn't you just love _____ (star) in a reality TV programme?
B: No way! I wouldn't like _____ (appear) on anything like that.
- A: Would you like _____ (see) a film tonight?
B: Not really. I'd prefer _____ (go) dancing.

Everyday English
Expressing specific preference

5 Use the language in the box and the prompts to ask and answer about preferences, as in the example.

- watch the news/watch a film
- go to the cinema/watch a DVD
- eat out/get a takeaway
- watch a documentary/watch sport

A: Do you want to watch the news?

B: I'd prefer to watch a film.

Asking about specific preference

- Do you want + to-infinitive
Do you want to watch TV?
- Would you like + to-infinitive
Would you like to go to the cinema?

Expressing specific preference

- I'd prefer + to-infinitive
I'd prefer to listen to music.
- I'd rather + infinitive without to
I'd rather stay in tonight than go out.

Listening

6 Listen and match the people to the TV programmes. Three programmes don't match.

1	Ian	A game show
2	Laura	B talk show
3	Neil	C sitcom
4	Zoe	D police drama
5	Fiona	E sport
		F wildlife programme
		G cartoon
		H documentary

Writing & Speaking

7 Find a TV guide for today. Write a dialogue like the one in Ex. 2a. Then act out your dialogue.