

Cultural activities

1 How often do you do these things? Discuss in groups.

- play music with friends or go to a concert
- paint a picture or draw on a computer
- read poems or write poems
- go dancing or dance in your bedroom

I sometimes play music with friends.

2 Read the introduction to the blog. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

- 1 Colleen mentions a study about young people in the world.
- 2 The study says that nearly half of young people take part in cultural activities.

3  **1.9** Read the whole blog. Match posts A–D with questions 1–5. One post can match with two questions.

- 1 Who learns a skill online?
- 2 Who performs with other people?
- 3 Who uses a computer to change real things?
- 4 Who shares their work online but not in public?
- 5 Who is not sure what job he/she would like to have?

4  **1.10 WORD FRIENDS** Find these phrases in the blog and write the missing verbs. Listen and check.

- 1 *create* art
- 2 *make* short films
- 3 *act in* on stage
- 4 *play* video games
- 5 *post* something on social media
- 6 *watch* concerts/videos

5 Complete the questions with the verbs in Exercise 4. Then ask and answer the questions in pairs.

- 1 Do you enjoy *creating* art? Why?/Why not?
- 2 How hard is it for you to *act in* on stage?
- 3 How often do you *make* music videos on your phone?
- 4 Who do you *play* video games with?
- 5 Would you like to *watch* a short film or an animation? Why?
- 6 What kind of things do you *post* on social media?

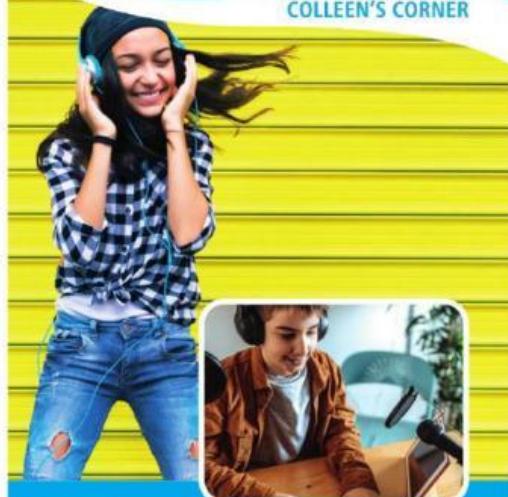
6 Which three cultural activities in this lesson do you like doing the most? Discuss in groups.

I love dancing, watching concerts and sharing my films on social media.

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CRAZY for culture?

Are young people into art?

Some people say that young people don't care about culture. But a recent study shows that almost fifty percent of young people in the UK love watching online videos, playing video games and reading. They enjoy creating and performing too. And thirty five percent of them share their cultural interests on social media.

What about you? Do you enjoy watching films, reading books or listening to music? Do you perform or create art? Send me your posts and let me know.

A **Bitmap17**

I love art, but I never get paint on my fingers. I draw on my computer and I make pictures and animations with real world objects and computer images. It's amazing!

B **LadyNote**

I watch music videos every day, usually on my phone. I love going to concerts and watching them online too. At weekends I watch videos of piano lessons and copy what I see. It's not easy, but I love it.

C **NaomiX**

I want to be an actor. Or maybe a director. Every year I act in the school play and in my free time, I make short films with my friends. We film them on our phones and share them on our video channel.

D **JCC77**

I love reading, especially poetry. I write poems on my phone or my computer and put them on my blog. I also write rap songs, but I'm too shy to perform on stage.