

**1** Read the article about hobbies in Britain and choose T (True) or F (False).

1 Travelling is the number one hobby in Britain. T / F	3 Collecting things is not a popular hobby. T / F
2 The article talks about a popular sports competition on British TV. T / F	4 Watching TV is one of the top 20 hobbies in Britain. T / F

**2** Read the article about hobbies again. Match the highlighted words in the article to the following words and phrases with the same meaning.

1 preparing _____	5 available through the internet _____
2 from another country _____	6 most liked _____
3 many times _____	7 part of a group or club _____
4 become part of a group or club _____	8 computer games _____

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BRITAIN'S FAVOURITE HOBBIES

What hobbies are popular in your country? Do you think people prefer hobbies they can do with other people as a member of a club, like sports or dance, or hobbies they can do at home, like playing board games or video games, or collecting things? This website has a list of what British people's favourite hobbies are.

The top hobby for British people is travelling. They often travel to foreign countries and spend a lot of time planning their trips and holidays. The second favourite hobby is baking and a popular TV show in Britain is also a baking competition.




Sport is the third on the list. British people love playing and watching sports. There are over 150,000 sports clubs in the UK to join and every weekend, thousands of people play football, go swimming or go cycling.

Older hobbies like art, photography and collecting things are still popular and are all in the top 20 hobbies. But many of the most popular hobbies are new and need a computer or smartphone. Playing computer games, online shopping and using social networks are all in the top 10 and blogging is in the top 20.

But one way people spend their free time in Britain isn't on the list. It's watching TV. Perhaps that is because people do it so often they don't think it's a hobby!