



1. Do you like drawing?

→ Yes, I have **taken a keen interest in** drawing since I was a kid, and at one point I even attended an art class for beginners. These days though, I rarely draw due to a lack of time, however, I still **spend some time** occasionally on the weekend to visit an art gallery in the city.

- **take an interest in** / 'teɪkən ən 'ɪntəst ɪn /: hứng thú với..

Ex: I wish John would take an interest in his schoolwork.

- **spend time doing sth** /spend 'taɪm 'duɪŋ 'sæmθɪŋ/ : dành thời gian cho hoạt động

Ex: On the weekends I usually spend my time with my family and friends.

2. Do you like to go to the gallery?

→ Absolutely yes. I'm a big fan of fine art, so I often spend time on the weekends visiting different galleries and exhibitions. **Aesthetic quality** can vary from different art styles, so I enjoy both **historical-themed** masterpieces in local galleries and modern artwork in certain art showcases.

- **Aesthetic quality** / ə'sθetik 'kwaliti /: giá trị nghệ thuật

Ex: Aesthetic quality is considered one of the most significant factors when judging artwork.

- **Historical-themed** / hɪ'stɔːrikl ðeɪmd /: mang chủ đề lịch sử

Ex: Historical-themed artworks appear to be quite boring to some people.

3. Do you want to learn more about art?

→ Though I don't see myself as being **gifted**, I'd still like to attend art classes to fulfill my passion for painting. Personally speaking, learning to paint or draw not only helps to promote **creativity** but also significantly reduces my stress levels.

- **gifted (adj)** /'gɪftɪd/: có năng khiếu

Ex: She is a gifted dancer who won numerous awards.

- **creativity (n)** /,kri:ə'trɪv.a.ti/: khả năng sáng tạo

Ex: Too many rules will kill your creativity.

4. Did you learn how to draw when you were a kid?

→ Yes, I enrolled in my first art class when I was 7 years old. My old teacher used to speak highly of my random **scribbles**, though I've never seen myself as being very **artsy**.

- **scribbles (n)** /'skrɪb.əl/: nét vẽ nguệch ngoạc

Ex: The kids have caused many scribbles on the wallpaper.

- **artsy (adj)** /'a:rt.si/: khéo tay, liên quan đến nghệ thuật

Ex: She is a typical artsy person who spends most of her time creating beautiful artwork.

Advertisements



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1. Are you interested in watching advertisements on the television or internet?

→ Neither are very **appealing** to me. Don't get me wrong; I don't completely hate advertisements. Some of them are very creative and unique. However, I would rather watch the things that I want to watch and not the adverts.

- **appealing** /ə'pi:lɪŋ/ (adj): hấp dẫn

Ex: The large salary made their offer even more appealing to him.

2. Are there any kinds of advertisements you dislike?

→ **Celebrity endorsements**. I'm not too fond of the way that those famous people influence other people's choices. Some of them haven't even used the product before encouraging their fans to buy it.

- **Celebrity endorsements** /sə'lebrəti

m'dɔ:rsment/: quảng cáo thương hiệu bằng người nổi tiếng

Ex: Celebrity endorsement is a very old marketing communication strategy.

3. Do you share advertisements with others?

→ To be honest, yes. I know it sounds crazy to share ads with other people, but there are many hilarious ads, especially those from Thailand. I always **laugh my head off** when watching those funny ads, and so I like to share them with some of my friends who have the same **sense of humor** as me.

- **Laugh one's head off** (idiom): cười nhiều, lớn

Ex: You laughed your head off when I fell!

- **Sense of humor** (n): khiếu hài hước

Ex: He has a great sense of humor because he makes me laugh every time we meet.

4. Would you like to work in the advertising industry in the future?

→ There are numerous reasons why certain meeting places are better than others, but it usually would depend on who the people are, why they are meeting, and their **whereabouts**. For example, due to their **popularity**, cafes tend to be quite noisy places so if you wanted a private conversation about something serious then you might be better off in a park or somewhere quiet and more private.

- **whereabouts** (n) /'wɛrə.bauts/: vị trí địa lý

Ex: Trupin is thought to be in the Caribbean, although his exact whereabouts is a mystery.

- **popularity** (n) /'pɒ:plə:ler:ə.ti/: độ yêu thích

Ex: Organic food has gained increasing popularity.