

# What kind of things are you into?

## IN THIS LESSON, YOU:

- discuss how you spend your free time
- describe films, books and music
- practise listening to people talk about films
- politely disagree with opinions

## LISTENING

- 1 **▶** Eight people were asked questions using the structure *Do you ... much?* Listen and write the question you think each person was asked.

## GRAMMAR

### Habits

To talk about habits, we use the present and past simple as well as structures such as *tend to* and *used to*. We also use words and phrases such as *rarely*, *not as much as I'd like to* and *all the time* to show how often.

- My friends and I go out all the time.*
- I sometimes played it for eight or nine hours a day.*
- I don't tend to / I tend not to read much fiction.*
- Did you (ever) use to watch 'Betty, la fea'?*
- We'd hang out all the time, but now we hardly ever do.*
- Not as a rule, no, but I do listen to some jazz (every) now and then.*

- 2 Look at the examples in the Grammar box. Find:

- three sentences about present habits.
- a verb that describes a current habit – it means (*not*) *usually / generally*.
- three different structures we use to talk about past habits.
- phrases that mean *always*, (*not*) *normally*, *sometimes* and *almost never*.

- 3 Complete the sentences by adding one word in each gap.

- I don't \_\_\_\_\_ to go to many concerts these days. I'm too busy working.
- I mostly read stuff for work, but I do read novels every now and \_\_\_\_\_.
- He's basically on TikTok all the \_\_\_\_\_. It's taken over his life.
- We don't go to the cinema as much as we \_\_\_\_\_ to before we had kids.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ ever read books, to be honest. I just read stuff online.
- I used to go out a lot. I \_\_\_\_\_ often go clubbing four or five nights a week.
- As a \_\_\_\_\_, I tend not to listen to dance music. It's not my kind of thing.
- \_\_\_\_\_ you ever use to go to the Teatro Colón when you lived in Buenos Aires?

- 4 Take notes on how your habits have changed. Think about these areas.

- work
- study
- holiday
- eating
- family

Share your ideas with a partner, using some of the structures from Exercise 2. Ask your partner questions to find out more.

- G** See Grammar reference 1A. ▶▶▶



*Sunday at the Cinema on the Champs-Élysées, Paris, France.*