

80 Likes and dislikes

A Love it or hate it?

1 I love football.



2 I really like it.

3 I like it.

4 I quite like it.

5 I don't mind it.



6 I don't like it very much.

7 I don't like it.



8 I hate it.
I don't like it at all.

SPOTLIGHT love/like/hate + -ing

After **love**, **like**, **hate** and **don't mind**, use a noun, a pronoun, or an -ing form:

■ I love / like / hate / don't mind { football.
it.

■ I love / like / hate / don't mind playing football.

Like and **dislike** can also be nouns: We all have different **likes** and **dislikes**.

1 Who is more positive (+)? Who is more negative (-)? Complete the answers with A or B.

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| ▶ A loves coffee. | B likes coffee. | A is more positive. |
| 1 A likes tea. | B quite likes tea. | is more positive. |
| 2 A likes chocolate. | B loves chocolate. | is more positive. |
| 3 A really likes sport. | B doesn't mind it. | is more positive. |
| 4 A doesn't like sport. | B doesn't like it at all. | is more negative. |
| 5 A hates pop music. | B doesn't like pop music very much. | is more negative. |
| 6 A doesn't like studying. | B doesn't mind studying. | is more negative. |

2 Correct the mistakes.

- ▶ Do you like watch tennis?
1 I hate it chocolate.
2 They don't like to doing homework very much.
3 He doesn't like very much speaking English.
4 I like quite shopping.
5 She doesn't like drive.
6 I'm not mind working at night.

Do you like watching tennis?

3 Complete the sentences with one word.

- ▶ I don't like swimming very much.
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| 1 I going to the cinema – it's my favourite hobby. | 5 I writing emails – it's so boring. |
| 2 I don't like classical music at | 6 I don't watching TV very much. |
| 3 I don't shopping – it's OK. | 7 Most people hate housework, but I like it. |
| 4 I like driving. I find it exciting. | 8 I don't like talking on the phone all. |

4 ABOUT YOU Do you agree with the sentences in Exercise 3? Write your ideas, or ask another student.

- ▶ I really like swimming, and I go swimming a lot in the summer.



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WORK I work for a TV company. It's a **wonderful** job – I love it.
STUDY I'm learning to play the guitar. It's good **fun** and my teacher's **incredible**.
SPORTS My **favourite** sport is tennis, but I also **enjoy** playing football.
TV/CINEMA I don't watch TV – it's very **boring**, but I'm **interested in** old films from the 1960s. In fact, I **prefer** old films to **modern** ones.
MUSIC I think **jazz** is really **interesting** – I go to a jazz club every Friday.



GLOSSARY

wonderful very good **SYNS** **incredible, amazing**
fun If sth is **fun**, it makes you happy.
favourite Your **favourite** thing or person is the one you like most.
enjoy doing sth If you **enjoy doing sth**, you like it a lot and it makes you happy. **enjoyable** *adj*
boring **OPP** **interesting**
old made or bought a long time ago **OPP** **new** OR **modern**
prefer (X to Y) like sb or sth more than another person or thing
jazz a kind of music, e.g. Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington

SPOTLIGHT *boring/bored, interesting/interested, etc.*

'The film was **boring**' means the same as 'I was **bored** by the film'.

(NOT *The film was bored*.)

It is the same with **interesting** and **interested**: 'I think modern art is **interesting**' has the same meaning as 'I'm **interested in** modern art'.

(NOT *I'm interesting in modern art*.)



He's boring. She's bored.

5 Write eight more sentences using words from 1, 2, and 3.

	1	2	3	
▶	It's ✓	not interested	boss.	It's a wonderful city.
1	I	the party	city. ✓	
2	I'm	favourite	watching TV.	
3	My	enjoy	film is <i>Star Wars</i> .	
4	She	amazing	enjoyable.	
5	He's an	a wonderful ✓	in politics.	
6	Was	is	programme.	
7	It's	prefers reading	good fun?	
8	Singing	a boring	to writing.	

6 ABOUT YOU Complete the questions, using the words in the box.

interesting	fun	interested	modern	enjoy
prefer	favourite	incredible	enjoyable ✓	

- ▶ Do you think flying is enjoyable ?
 1 Is learning English good ?
 2 Do you _____ meat to fish?
 3 What's your _____ city?
 4 Are you _____ in jazz?
 5 Do you think history is _____ ?
 6 Do you _____ walking in the countryside?
 7 Do you know a restaurant where the food is _____ ?
 8 Do you like old houses, or do you prefer _____ houses?

7 ABOUT YOU Write answers to the questions in Exercise 6, or ask another student.

