

# Lesson 1C

HOW TO ... | express personal preferences

VOCABULARY | emotions and feelings

PRONUNCIATION | word stress: dependent prepositions

## VOCABULARY

### emotions and feelings

1 A Complete the sentences with *about*, *by*, *into*, *of* or *on*.

- 1 I'm really passionate ..... travel – I love visiting new cities!
- 2 Melania sounds fed up ..... everything today – let's go and cheer her up.
- 3 I'm terrified ..... flying even though I know it's the safest form of transport.
- 4 Katya was thrilled ..... the present you gave her for her birthday.
- 5 I'm not keen ..... going to museums. I just find them really boring.
- 6 She's really ..... Japanese culture. We're hoping to go to Tokyo next year.
- 7 I'm quite fond ..... my auntie – she's such a great listener.
- 8 I think she's feeling a bit nervous ..... the journey.

B Choose the correct phrases to complete the diary.

#### Day 1

I'm absolutely <sup>1</sup>**passionate about** / **fond of** / **fed up of** Spanish food, so I've booked myself onto a cooking course here in Madrid. I felt a little bit <sup>2</sup>**not keen on** / **thrilled by** / **nervous about** talking to people in Spanish because I haven't done it for ages, but it went well.

#### Day 2

We made paella today – a famous Spanish rice dish. I'm not that <sup>3</sup>**terrified of** / **nervous about** / **keen on** rice, but this dish is delicious! Tomorrow we're learning some knife skills. To be honest, I'm really <sup>4</sup>**terrified of** / **thrilled about** / **passionate about** cutting myself – I tend to have a lot of accidents and I'm getting a bit <sup>5</sup>**keen on** / **fond of** / **fed up of** being so clumsy.

#### Day 3

Phew! Everything went well and we learned about the various ingredients to use in tapas – small snacks. I'm <sup>6</sup>**fed up of** / **really into** / **not keen on** them because there's such a lot of variety and they're so tasty. Flying home tomorrow!

## How to ...

### express personal preferences

2 A  1.05 | Listen to a conversation between three friends. What are the speakers talking about? Do they reach a compromise?

B  1.05 | Listen again and complete the extracts with the missing words.

- 1 Backpacking's not really .....
- 2 Sorry, it's just that I'm ..... camping.
- 3 ..... go to lots of different places, but stay in some decent hotels?
- 4 Well, ..... go to Thailand.
- 5 I'd be happy to do a bit of sunbathing, but I ..... do it all day.
- 6 How about travelling around Europe instead? Does that ..... ?

## PRONUNCIATION

3 A | word stress: dependent prepositions | Read the sentences. Underline the stress in the phrases in bold.

- 1 I'm quite **fond of** boat trips, actually. They're a great way to see the city.
- 2 The kids aren't **keen on** trying unusual foods.
- 3 Dan's **terrified of** driving in foreign countries and so am I!
- 4 I'm not **really into** visiting museums. I find a lot of them really boring.
- 5 I always feel **nervous about** getting lost when I'm in a new city.
- 6 Katie's quite **passionate about** culture and the arts.

B  1.06 | Now listen and check.

## SPEAKING

4 A  1.07 | Complete the personal introduction with the phrases (a-f). Then listen and check.

Hi, I'm Jack. I'm <sup>1</sup> ..... learning languages and <sup>2</sup> ..... them for a few years now. <sup>3</sup> ..... languages is that they give you lots of insight into new cultures. <sup>4</sup> ..... people shouting loudly at waiters in English when they're in another country. <sup>5</sup> ..... give it a go and get it wrong than not try at all. I'm <sup>6</sup> ..... when it comes to learning languages and I can speak three pretty fluently now!

a quite ambitious	d The thing I love about
b I'd rather	e passionate about
c I've been studying	f I can't stand hearing

B Talk about your own hobbies and interests. Use the model in Ex 4A. Record your answer if you can.