

Do you like sport?

LEARNING OUTCOME

learn how to talk about free-time activities

Everyday life

1 Look at the photo and answer the questions.



Where are the people and what are they doing?  
What do you like doing in your free time?

Everyday vocabulary

2 Look at the words in the box. Put them into three categories: activities, people and adjectives.

beginner • photography • instructor • sporty  
arts and crafts • expert • experienced • music  
street dance • teacher • volleyball  
creative • interesting

3 Add any other free-time activities you know to the list in 2.

Dialogue

4 Listen to the dialogue. Which group does Peter decide to join?

Peter wants to meet people and practice a free-time activity.

Anna: What is that?

Peter: It's a website for meeting people who have the same interests. (1) .....  
I don't know which group to join.

Anna: Do you like sport?

Peter: (2) ..... I'm not sporty at all!

Anna: What do you enjoy?

Peter: (3) .....

Anna: Okay, let's try. Look, what about this group?  
Modern Dance.

Peter: That's interesting. How many people are in the group?

Anna: 352!

Peter: Wow! When do they meet?

Anna: What is your level? (4) .....

Peter: I'm a beginner, of course!

Anna: Well, beginners meet every Wednesday at 7 o'clock. The instructor is from Brazil.

Peter: Perfect. Where do they meet?

Anna: (5) .....

Peter: Do I need to bring anything?

Anna: No, but you need to wear trainers and comfortable clothes.

Peter: (6) .....

Anna: No, thanks. I'm more creative. I prefer arts and crafts.

Peter: OK. Thanks for your help Anna.

Anna: No problem.

5 Read and complete the dialogue with the phrases (a-f). Then listen again and check.

- a Are you a beginner, intermediate or an expert?
- b Well, I like dancing.
- c Do you want to come?
- d No, I don't.
- e There are a lot of groups.
- f At the Community Centre.

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Look at the expressions from the dialogue. Who says each one: Anna or Peter?

Asking about interests

Do you like sport?

What do you enjoy?

Are you a beginner, intermediate or an expert?

Asking about a special interest group

How many people are in the group?

When do they meet?

Where do they meet?

Do I need to bring anything?

Talking about interests

I like dancing.

I prefer arts and crafts.

I'm a beginner.

Over to you!

6 Work in pairs. You are looking at a website for meeting people with the same interests. One of you is Student A and the other is Student B. Follow the steps below and role-play a conversation. Then change roles. Use the expressions in the Everyday English Toolkit.

Student A: Ask Student B about his/her interests

Student B: Answer Student A's questions.

Student A: Look at the three special interest groups. Choose one for Student B. What about ...?

Student B: Ask questions about the group that Student A chooses. Say if you want to join the group or not.

**Photography Fans**

Take fantastic photos.  
35 members.  
Bring your camera!

Sunday 2 pm. Meet outside the city library.  
Beginners welcome.

**GUITAR HEROES**

Learn a new song each week. All levels.  
25 members.  
Bring your guitar!

Saturday 3 pm.  
Meet at Bob's Guitar shop,  
City Centre.

**Beach Volleyball**

Play beach volleyball.  
Make friends.  
17 members.  
Wear sports clothes.

Meet on Sunday at 11 am at City Beach. No experience necessary.