

## Lesson 16

**Hobbies and Interests**

Look at these pictures. Say something about each one.



**Different people do different things in their free time.**

There are many different activities you can do in your free time. Some people have a lot of free time and some do not. People like to spend their free time in many different ways. Today, Freddy, Charles, and Patrick are having dinner together. They are talking about what they like to do in their free time.

Charles enjoys playing golf and playing cards. He usually plays golf twice a month. He plays at a golf course in the countryside. He plays poker once every two weeks. He plays with some of his co-workers. They play in someone's house in the living room.

Freddy likes playing basketball and going dancing. He plays basketball twice a week. He plays in the park with some of his friends. He goes dancing every Saturday night. He and his girlfriend go to a nightclub.

Patrick likes playing tennis and fishing with his kids. He usually plays tennis once or twice a week. He plays at a tennis court near his house. He usually plays with one of the people who work at his restaurant. Patrick also likes to go fishing with his kids. They usually go fishing once or twice a month. They go fishing in a river in the countryside.

**Dialogue: Freddy, Charles, and Patrick are chatting about their free time.**

**Charles:** *What do you like to do when you have free time, Patrick?*

**Patrick:** *I like fishing and playing tennis. Do you guys play tennis?*

**Freddy:** *Yes, but I don't play very often.*

**Charles:** *I usually try to play golf when I have free time.*

**Freddy:** *How often do you play golf?*

**Charles:** *I usually play once or twice a month. Sometimes I play three times a month. If I could, I would play everyday.*

**Patrick:** *Freddy, do you exercise in your free time?*

**Freddy:** *I sure do. I play basketball twice a week and I usually go dancing with my girlfriend on Saturday nights. What about you, Charles? What else do you do in your free time?*

**Charles:** *I like to play cards.*

**Patrick:** *How often do you play?*

**Charles:** *I usually play poker once every two weeks with friends from work.*

**Freddy:** *Hey, I thought of one more thing I like to do in my free time.*

**Charles:** *Oh, what's that?*

**Freddy:** *I love to eat in restaurants.*

**Patrick:** *I guess you're hungry again. I'll get you a menu.*

**Questions:**

1. What does Charles enjoy?
2. How often does he play golf?
3. Where does he play golf?
4. How often does he play poker?
5. Who does he play with?
6. Where do they play?
7. What does Freddy like to do?
8. How often does he play basketball?
9. Where does he play?
10. Who does he play with?
11. When does he go dancing?
12. Who does he go dancing with?
13. Where do they go?
14. What does Patrick like?
15. How often does he play tennis?
16. Where does he play?
17. Who does he play with?
18. What else does Patrick like to do?
19. How often do they go fishing?
20. Where do they go fishing?



### Activity: Free Time Activities

Fill in the chart with different activities you like to do in your free time. Write how often you do them.

Free Time Activity	How Often

Fill in the chart with different activities your classmates like to do in their free time. Write how often they do them.

Classmate	Free Time Activity	How Often

### Discussion Questions:

1. Would you rather...?
  - Play golf or play cards? Why?
  - Play basketball or play tennis? Why?
  - Go dancing or go fishing? Why?
2. What do you like to do in your free time?
3. Do you have a lot of free time?
4. Do you wish you had more free time?
5. When do you have free time?
6. What things do you do everyday?
7. What do you do on Saturdays?
8. What do you do on Sundays?
9. What do you usually do in the evenings?
10. How often do you...?



Brush your teeth / Take a shower / Talk on the telephone / Take a bus / Drive a car / Wash dishes / Cook dinner / Study English / See your parents / Watch TV?

### Grammar Focus: Positive and negative sentences.

**Make the positive sentences negative and the negative sentences positive.**

**Examples:** He likes to play soccer. *He doesn't like to play soccer.*  
 Charles doesn't play golf. *Charles plays golf.*

1. Patrick doesn't play softball on Tuesdays. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I like going to movies. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Freddy has a lot of free time. \_\_\_\_\_
4. She doesn't like cooking. \_\_\_\_\_
5. He watches football on TV. \_\_\_\_\_
6. I don't like going out to eat. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Maria doesn't jog in the morning. \_\_\_\_\_
8. We listen to music a lot. \_\_\_\_\_
9. I don't have a lot of free time. \_\_\_\_\_