



Lecture 7

Unit

2

Interests

In Unit 2, you learn how to . . .

- use different verb forms.
- use object pronouns, and the pronouns *everybody* and *nobody*.
- talk about your hobbies, interests, and taste in music.
- say *no* in a friendly way.
- use *really* and *not really* to make statements stronger or softer.





LESSON A: LEISURE TIME

In this Lesson

You learn how to use different verb forms.

NEW VOCABULARY:

Hobby: an activity which someone does for pleasure when they are not working.

e.g. I like to fish as a **hobby**.

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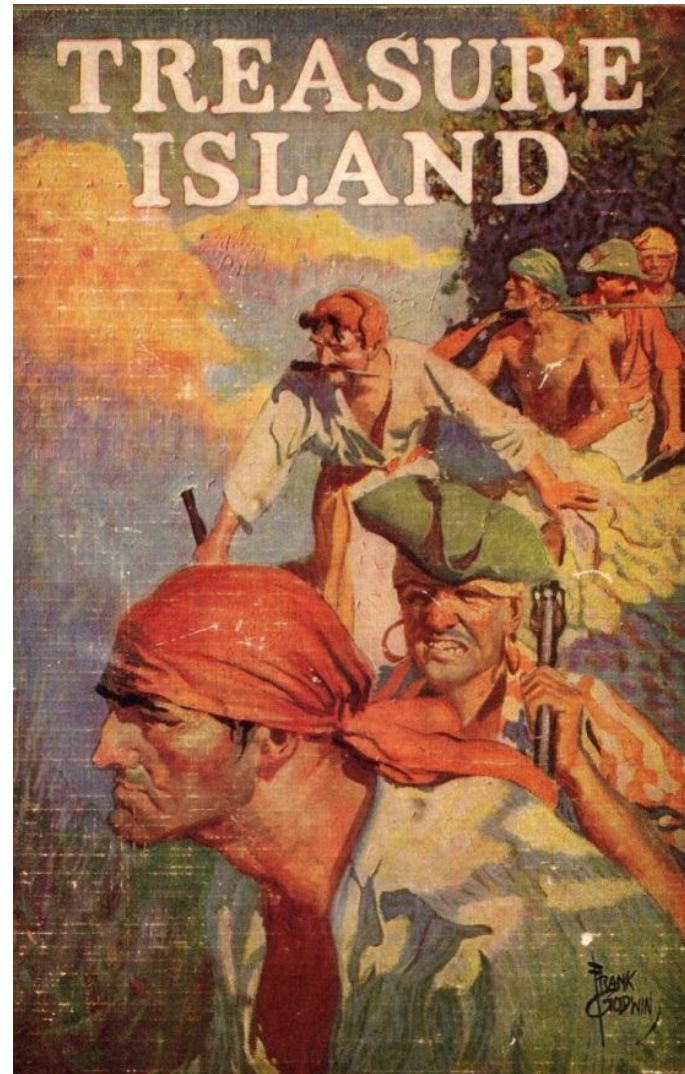
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NEW VOCABULARY:

Novel: a long printed story
about imaginary
characters and events.

e.g. historical/romantic
novels.



NEW VOCABULARY:

Sculpture: the art of forming solid objects that represent a thing, person, idea, etc. out of a material such as wood, clay, metal or stone.

e.g. Tom teaches **sculpture** at the local art school.



NEW VOCABULARY:

Design: to make or draw plans for something, for example clothes or buildings.

e.g. Who **designed** this building/dress/furniture?



NEW VOCABULARY:

Jog: to run at a slow regular speed, especially as a form of exercise.

e.g. What do you do to keep fit?" "I **jog** and go swimming."



LESSON A: LEISURE TIME

Can you paint?

Are you good at sports?

Are you interested in learning new things?

What else do you enjoy doing in your free time?

College News

Meet our new reporter for the *College News*. . . .

The *College News* interviewed Eric Kane, our new reporter. Eric is a full-time student majoring in journalism. We asked him about his hobbies.

① **College News:** What are your hobbies?

Eric Kane: Well, I enjoy writing. I like to do a bit of creative writing every day – in the evenings mostly. Someday I want to write a novel, but for now it's just a hobby.

③ **CN:** Can you paint?

EK: Yeah, I draw and I can paint a little, but not very well. I'd like to do sculpture or something. And I like to do clay modeling, but I really can't do it at all.

② **CN:** What else do you enjoy doing in your free time?

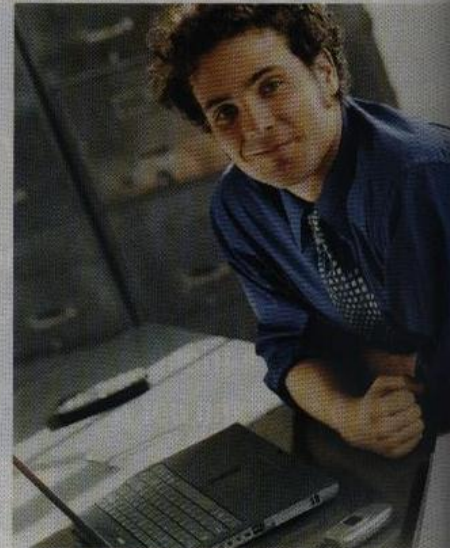
EK: Let's see, what else? Well, I design cards. I'm good at drawing, and I'm really into computer graphics, so I sit and learn new programs, and I play around with them.

④ **CN:** Are you good at sports?

EK: Not really. I prefer to watch sports on TV. I like to play pool. Is that a sport? I guess I jog occasionally. But I hate going to the gym and working out.

⑤ **CN:** Are you interested in learning new things?

EK: Yeah. I love to do new stuff all the time – learn new skills, you know. I'm really excited about writing for the *College News*.



CAN YOU COMPLETE THESE SENTENCES WITH VERBS?

1. I can play pool. (play)
2. I like to watch / watching sports on TV. (watch)
3. I enjoy reading books. (read)
4. I'm not good at learning new computer programs. (learn)



CAN

Can is an auxiliary verb, a modal auxiliary verb.

We use **can** to:

- talk about possibility and ability
- make requests
- ask for or give permission

Structure of Can

- subject + can + main verb (base verb)

	Subject	Auxiliary Verb	Main Verb	
+	I	can	play	tennis
—	He	cannot	play	tennis
		can't		
?	Can	you	play	tennis?



The main verb is always the bare infinitive (infinitive without "to"). We cannot say:

- I can to play tennis ❌

Use of Can

1. can: Possibility and Ability

- He **can** drive a car.
- John **can** speak Spanish.
- I **cannot** hear you. (I **can't** hear you.)
- **Can** you hear me?

2. can: Requests and Orders

- **Can** you make a cup of coffee, please.
- **Can** you put the TV on.
- **Can** you come here a minute.
- **Can** you be quiet!

3. can: Permission

- **Can** I smoke in this room?
- You **can't** smoke here, but you **can** smoke in the garden.



GRAMMAR: VERB FORMS

can / can't + verb

Verb

I can **play** the piano.

I can't **play** very well.

I can't **sing** at all.

to + verb

I love **to swim**.

I like **to play** pool.

I hate **to work out**.

I prefer **to watch** TV.

I'd like **to play** jazz.

Preposition + verb + -ing

I'm good **at drawing** people.

I'm not interested **in skiing**.

Verb + -ing

I love **swimming**.

I like **playing** pool.

I hate **working out**.

I prefer **watching** TV.

I enjoy **reading**.

In conversation ...

I like / love / hate to + verb

is more common than

I like / love / hate + verb + -ing.

I like to ...

I like ...ing

I love to ...

I love ...ing

I hate to ...

I hate ...ing

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

1. Can you speak (speak) Spanish?
2. Do you enjoy cooking (cook)?
3. Are you good at skating (skate)?
4. Do you like to play / playing (play) table tennis?
5. Can you swim (swim)?
6. Are you interested in joining (join) an exercise class?
7. Do you prefer to exercise / exercising (exercise) alone or with friends?
8. Would you like to learn (learn) a new sport?



100% of interest

0% of interest



I love	I like	I don't care	I can't stand

- I can't stand washing dishes.
- I don't care about music
- I like to watch movies.
- I love going to the beach



Complete the sentences. Use the correct forms of the verbs in the box.

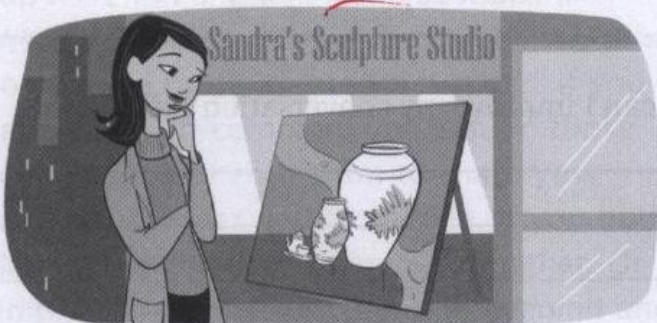
cook do sculpture draw play ✓read work out



1. Pam and Victoria aren't interested in reading books. They both prefer to read magazines. They really enjoy reading fashion magazines.



2. Ian would like to exercise every day. He doesn't like exercising in the gym at all. He enjoys exercising at home with a video.



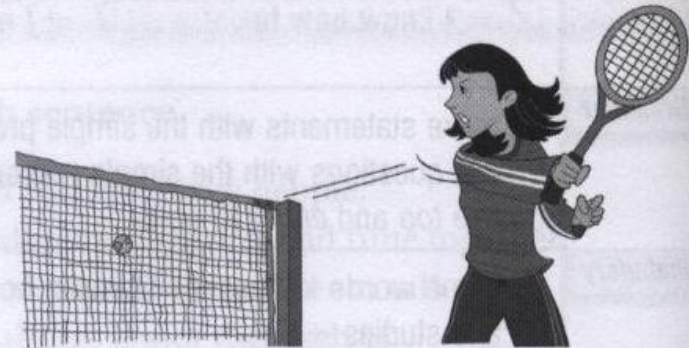
3. Sun Hee can't do sculpture now. She's interested in doing sculpture and would like to take a class.



4. Tom isn't good at drawing people. He can't draw people at all, but he can draw animals very well.



5. Amy and Sally usually like to cook ,
but they hate cooking Italian food.
They prefer to cook Chinese food.



6. Erica can't play tennis very well. She
enjoys playing tennis, but she's not very
good at playing it.





LESSON B: BOOKS

In this lesson,

You learn how to use **object pronouns**, and the pronouns **everybody** and **nobody**.

:NEW VOCABULARY

Crime: illegal activities.

e.g. He has admitted
committing several
crimes, including two
murders.



:NEW VOCABULARY

Poetry: poems in general as a form of literature.

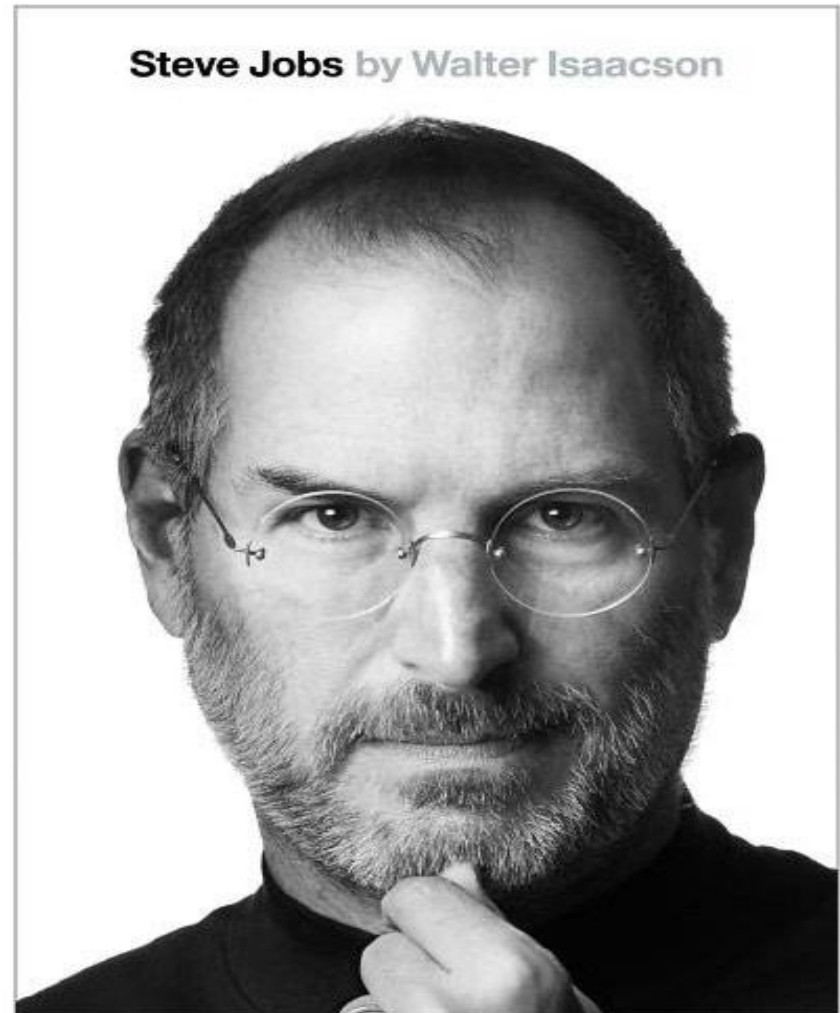
e.g. She started writing **poetry** at a young age.



:NEW VOCABULARY

Biography: the life story of a person written by someone else.

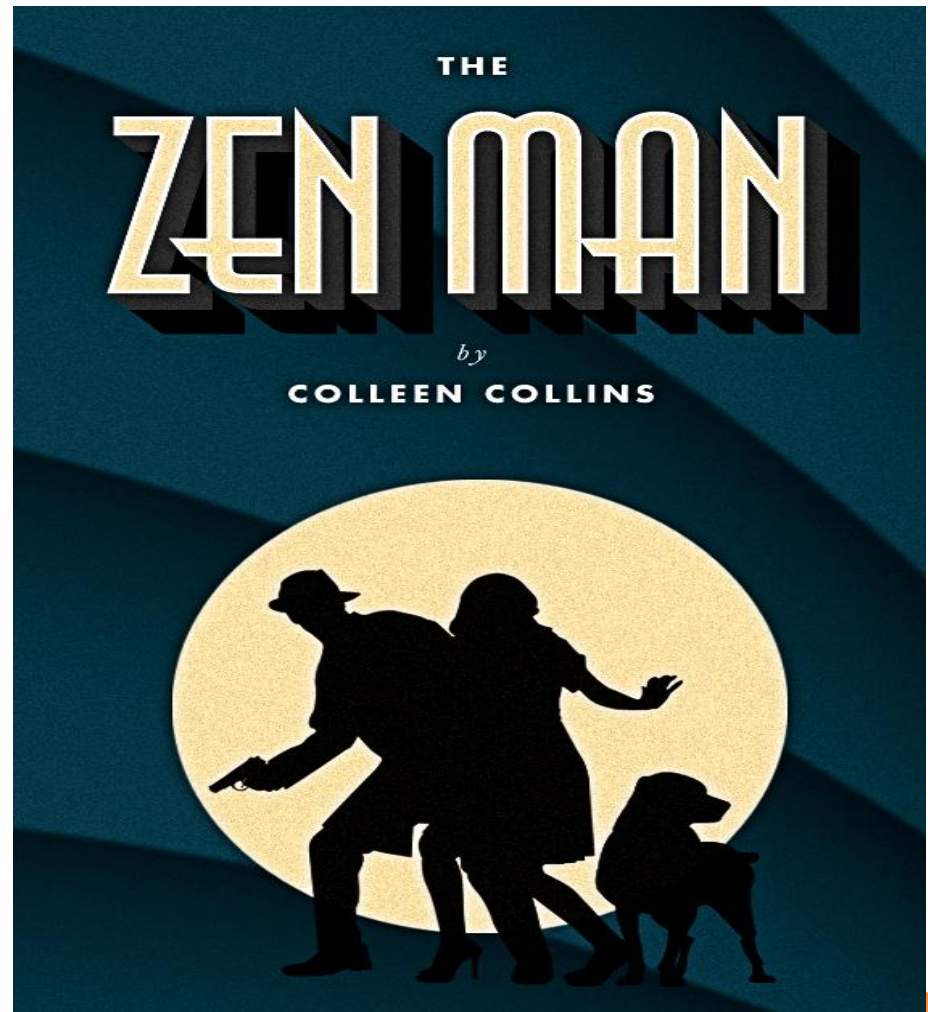
He wrote a **biography** of Winston Churchill.



:NEW VOCABULARY

Mystery: a book, film or play, especially about a crime or a murder, with a surprise ending which explains all the strange events that have happened.

e.g. I really enjoy murder **mysteries**.



:NEW VOCABULARY

Science: (knowledge from)
the systematic study of
the structure and
behaviour of the physical
world.

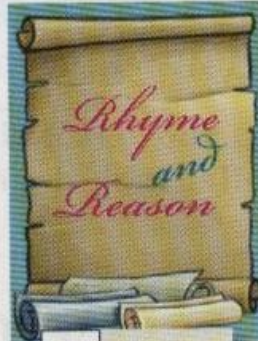
e.g. The recent
developments in **science**
and technology.



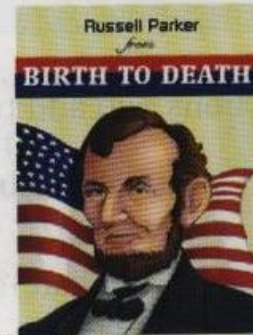
BOOKS



crime stories



1 poetry



biographies



mysteries



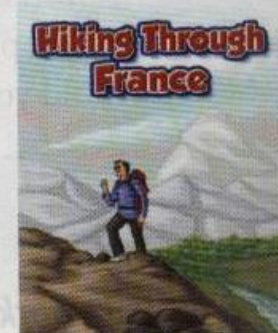
science fiction



history books



novels



travel books

<i>I love ...</i>	<i>I like ...</i>	<i>I don't care for ...</i>	<i>I can't stand ...</i>
crime stories			

"I love crime stories." *"Yeah, I do too. And I love mysteries."*