

Hobbies and Sports in English

Level: A2

Sports

football	□	I'm going to play football with my friends on Saturday.
soccer	□	In the USA, people say soccer for football.
basketball	□□	My brother likes playing basketball after school.
tennis	□□	If it's sunny tomorrow, we'll play tennis .
volleyball	□□	We're going to play volleyball on the beach this summer.
swimming	□□	I like swimming in the sea.
running	□□	My mother loves running in the park every morning.
cycling	□□	I'm going to go cycling with my dad on Sunday.
skiing	□	If there is snow, we'll go skiing in February.
baseball	□	In the USA, a lot of people love baseball .

Hobbies

reading	□□	My sister likes reading books in bed.
painting	□□	My grandmother likes painting . She paints flowers.
drawing	making pictures with a pencil	I like drawing in my free time.
cooking	□□	He loves cooking , so he often makes dinner for us.
dancing	□□	She doesn't like dancing , but she loves singing.
singing	□□	My brother loves singing . He is going to sing at the party.
taking photos	□□	She loves taking photos of animals.
playing video games	□□	He likes playing video games after school.
fishing	□□	My uncle and I are going fishing this weekend.
camping	□	If the weather is good, we'll go camping next weekend.
playing the guitar	□□	I like playing the guitar in my free time.

Words for sport

team	a group of players	There are eleven players in a football team .
match	a game between two teams	Are you going to watch the football match tonight?
player	a person who plays a sport	My brother is a good basketball player .
win	to be the best in a game	If our team plays well, we'll win the match.

lose	not to win a game	My team is not very good, so we often lose .
gym	a place with machines for sport	I go to the gym on Mondays and Wednesdays.
stadium		There are fifty thousand fans in the stadium .

Play, go and do

hobby	something you like doing in your free time	My hobby is taking photos.
free time	the time when you do not work or study	What do you do in your free time ?
play tennis	play + a sport with a ball	My parents play tennis every Sunday.
go swimming	go + -ing for many activities	If it's hot tomorrow, we'll go swimming .
do yoga	do + an activity without a ball	I do yoga in the morning before work.

Exercise 1: Match the Sports and Hobbies

Match each word with its picture.

1. basketball → _____
2. tennis → _____
3. volleyball → _____
4. swimming → _____
5. skiing → _____
6. painting → _____
7. playing the guitar → _____
8. fishing → _____

       

Exercise 2: Choose the Correct Word

Choose the correct word for each sentence.

9. I like ___ in the sea in summer.
a) swimming b) swim c) swims
10. We ___ basketball at school on Fridays.
a) play b) go c) do
11. I ___ yoga in the morning.
a) play b) go c) do
12. If we ___ the match, we'll be very happy.
a) win b) won c) winning

13. There are eleven players in a football ____.
a) team b) match c) gym
14. In the USA, people say ____ for the game with a round ball.
a) soccer b) baseball c) tennis
15. Choose the best answer to 'What do you do in your free time?'
a) I like painting and cooking. b) I'm from Italy. c) It's at six o'clock.

Exercise 3: Fill in the Blank

Type the missing word.

16. On Saturday, we're ____ to play volleyball. (go + -ing)
17. If it rains, we ____ stay at home and play video games. (will)
18. My sister likes _____. She goes to a dance class on Fridays. (dance)
19. I go to the ____ after work. I run on a machine there.
20. We're going to go ____ in the mountains this winter. (□)
21. She is a very good basketball _____. (a person who plays)
22. What do you like doing in your free _____?

Answer key

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5. skiing → ☐
6. painting → ☐
7. playing the guitar → ☐
8. fishing → ☐

Exercise 2: Choose the Correct Word

9. a) swimming
10. a) play
11. c) do
12. a) win
13. a) team
14. a) soccer
15. a) I like painting and cooking.

Exercise 3: Fill in the Blank

16. going
17. will / 'll
18. dancing
19. gym
20. skiing
21. player
22. time