

# New Hobby



## This week...

Tina has to work on the weekends over the next few months and she won't be able to spend time with Scott. She is suggesting to Scott that he find a new hobby.

## Lesson Targets

- Discussing hobbies and pastimes
- Deciding how to spend your free time

## Daily English Conversation

**Advanced Class**

## Warm Up – Topic Question



What kind of new hobby would you like to start?

# Picture Description

What game  
are they  
playing?



A



B



What is that man trying to do?

C



What are they looking at?

**Tina**

**It looks as though** I'll have to work on the weekends for the next few months.

**Scott**

That is the only time that we get to spend a lot of time together. What am I supposed to do with myself?

**Tina**

Why don't you find a new hobby to keep yourself busy?

**Scott**

**I have no clue what** kind of hobby I should try and do.

**Tina**

Well, you like to be active, why don't you do some hiking or join a sports team?

**Scott**

**I was always interested in** photography **when I was younger.** Maybe I could take that up again.

**Tina**

Great! You can wake up early and take some beautiful shots of the sunrise in and around Tokyo.

**Scott**

**On second thought,** I think I'll just hang out at home and play video games.



I have no clue what  
Tina was talking about.

1. It looks as though .....
2. I have no clue what .....
3. I was always interested in ..... when I was younger.
4. On second thought .....



# Role Play – New Hobby

Student A has some free time, and intends to take up a new hobby. Student A and Student B discuss possible hobbies.



**A:** I'm thinking about starting a new hobby.

**B:** What kind of hobby do you want to start?

## Key Phrases

- I always wanted to try ....
- I was always interested in .... when I was younger.
- On second thought, ....
- I reckon you'd enjoy ....
- Do you have any experience with ....?
- That sounds like it would be fun!
- *Other*

## Hobbies

- photography
- hiking
- gardening
- blogging
- learn an instrument
- pottery
- painting
- knitting
- *other*

\* Choose a topic below and tell a short story that is either true or not true. The other students in the class and the teacher ask one question each about the story. Then they guess whether your story is true or false.



1. I have made money from my hobbies.
2. One of my hobbies is quite dangerous.
3. I prefer to spend time on work, not hobbies.
4. One of my friends has a very unusual hobby.



- What were your hobbies as a child? Why did you give them up?
- Do you have any friends with unusual hobbies?
- Are there any common hobbies that you really wouldn't enjoy?



## Ask the Teacher



- What were your hobbies as a child?
- What kind of new hobby would you like to start?
- (Ask a different question related to the topic)

active - *I always like to be **active** on weekends.*

blogging - *I actually made a lot of money from **blogging**.*

clue - *I have absolutely no **clue**!*

hobby - *It started as a **hobby**, but it's become a chore!*

pastime - *Reading is a **pastime**, but writing is my hobby.*

shots - *I took some great **shots** of the mountains.*

unusual - *I think her hobby is quite **unusual**.*