Really like / can’t stand…

1 Complete the sentences 1-8 with your own likes or dislikes using some of the words in the box below.

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1 going shopping for clothes
2 celebrity gossip in magazines
3 doing nothing at weekends
4 going to a football match
5 running long distances
6 reality TV
7 getting up early on holiday
8 modern art

2 Correct the following sentences.

1 She really like meeting her new friends.
2 I can’t stand to wait for a bus in the rain.
3 I no very keen on watching football on TV.
4 We quiet like spending time working in the garden.
5 He can’t standing listening to pop music.
6 They’re quite keen horse riding.
7 She absolutely love travelling.
8 He don’t mind driving to the restaurant.
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TEACHER’S NOTES:

Aim: to consolidate the use of like/dislike as well as expressing preferences. This worksheet is designed to be used in conjunction with unit 1.1.

Time: 40 minutes maximum

Materials: photocopies of the worksheet for each student.

1 Ask students to complete the sentences using as many of the different phrases as possible – there is one extra phrase depending on their preferences. Monitor carefully to check that they are using a variety but emphasise that they don’t have to use all the phrases if there really is one phrase that they aren’t able to use.

Ask students to swap with their partner to compare answers. Encourage students to discuss their similarities and differences. Get feedback from various pairs.

2 Ask students to correct the mistakes in each sentence. They can work in pairs or alone. Check answers with the class.

Answers: 1 She really likes meeting her new friends. 2 I can’t stand waiting for a bus in the rain. 3 I’m not very keen on watching football on TV. 4 We quite like spending time decorating the house. 5 He can’t stand listening to pop music. 6 They’re quite keen on horse riding. 7 She absolutely loves travelling. 8 He doesn’t mind driving to the restaurant.