

Gerunds

Two people talk about learning English.
Intermediate English Sound Grammar
 B1 Lesson 19 Conversation 1



Part 1: Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

Question 1	Question 2	Question 3
What does the woman dislike?	What does she say about writing?	What does she like playing?

Part 2: Complete the blanks with the missing word. Use the first letter as a clue.

Man: D___ you like learning English?	1	
Woman: I do, b___ I don't like studying grammar.	2	
Man: Yeah, learning grammar is n___ easy.	3	
Woman: Speaking is fun, though. I love speaking i_____ class.	4	
Man: What a_____ writing?	5	
Woman: I don't enjoy writing that m_____.	6	
Man: I agree. Writing i___ boring.	7	
Woman: What about vocab? Do y___ like learning vocabulary?	8	
Man: It depends. I like using s_____ apps to learn vocabulary.	9	
Woman: Me, too. I like playing vocab games o_____ my phone.	10	

Part 3: Match the questions with the answers.

1	What languages do you like?	My all-time favorite is chess.
2	Do you like learning grammar?	I like French. It sounds romantic.
3	Do you prefer writing or speaking?	No, I don't like learning of any kind.
4	Do you use learning apps?	Yes, I use Duolingo.
5	What is your favorite game?	Writing. Speaking is harder for me.

Part 4: Now it is your turn! What are your answers to these questions? Discuss with a partner.

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Answer Key

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Studying grammar	She does not enjoy it	Vocab games

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Man: Do you like learning English?	1	do
Woman: I do, but I don't like studying grammar.	2	but
Man: Yeah, learning grammar is not easy.	3	not
Woman: Speaking is fun, though. I love speaking in class.	4	in
Man: What about writing?	5	about
Woman: I don't enjoy writing that much .	6	much
Man: I agree. Writing is boring.	7	is
Woman: What about vocab? Do you like learning vocabulary?	8	you
Man: It depends. I like using some apps to learn vocabulary.	9	some
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