

# 2 When I Am Free

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## Grammar Notes

### Connectives: and / or

What are you guys doing?

We like playing table tennis **and** football. We are trying to do both at the same time!

I don't like playing easy **or** boring sports, **but** this is a lot of fun!



We use the connective **'and'** to join two positive ideas. We use the connective **'or'** to join two negative ideas.

I like watching TV **and** making desserts.



Ellie does **not** like playing tennis **or** football.



### Grammar Tip

We can use the connectives to join two nouns, such as 'tennis' and 'football'. We can also use them to join two phrases, such as 'watching TV' and 'making desserts'.

## Warm-up



Jasper is writing about what he and Ellie like doing in their free time. Look at the table and fill in the blanks with 'and' or 'or'.

	collect stickers	collect cards	play the violin	do origami	do ballet	make model planes + crafts
Jasper	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
Ellie	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓

- I like collecting cards \_\_\_\_\_ stickers.
- Ellie does not like collecting stickers \_\_\_\_\_ cards.
- Ellie likes playing the violin \_\_\_\_\_ doing ballet.
- I do not like doing origami \_\_\_\_\_ ballet.
- Ellie \_\_\_\_\_ I do not like doing origami.
- Ellie \_\_\_\_\_ I like making model planes \_\_\_\_\_ crafts.



## Grammar Notes

### Connective: but



We use the connective **'but'** to join a positive idea and a negative idea. We can use **'but'** to join two contrasting sentences.

Mum and Dad like hiking,  
She does **not** like swimming,  
**but** they do **not** like surfing.  
she likes sunbathing.

😊 **but** 😞

😞 **but** 😊

### Grammar Tip

We usually add a comma before 'but'.



### Common Errors

- ✓ Amy is good at doing ballet, **but** she is **not** good at doing karate.
- ✗ Amy is good at doing ballet **or** she is **not** good at doing karate.

- I like skipping, **and / but** I do not like jogging.
- We do not like making crafts **or / but** doing puzzles.

### Grammar Tip

Pay attention to whether the two ideas in a sentence are contrasting, i.e. telling two very different ideas.

## Warm-up

**B** Jasper and his classmates are talking about the sports they like and dislike doing. Look at the pictures and circle the correct answers.



- Eric likes playing football, **and / but** he does not like swimming.
- Victor and Vicky **are / are not** good at doing karate **and / or** playing volleyball.
- Lily is good at playing badminton, **but / or** she **is / is not** good at playing tennis.
- Polly likes jogging with friends in the park **and / or** ice-skating in the ice rink.
- Lucas and Kenny do not like singing **but / or** dancing, **but / or** they like playing musical instruments.

## Practice



Jasper and Ellie are writing down their friends' hobbies. Follow the example and join each pair of sentences with the correct connective.



I don't like doing ballet. I don't like playing with dolls.

I don't like doing ballet or playing with dolls.

1. Dan is good at making models. Dan is good at playing card games.

2. Carl is good at playing the drums. Carl is not good at playing the recorder.



3. Emma does not like swimming or running. Judy does not like swimming or running.

4. Owen and John like fast food. Owen and John do not like soft drinks.

## Proofreading



There is one mistake in each question. Correct the underlined mistakes for Questions 1-2. Underline and correct the mistakes for Questions 3-8.

1. Mr Fan does not like reading and singing.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. Jasper likes camping, and he does not like setting up the tent.

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. My sisters are not good at drawing and making crafts.

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mrs Fan cooks dinner or washes the dishes for her family.

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. We do not like shopping and dining out.

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. I like ice-skating, and it is a difficult sport to learn.



Hint: Q6

We do not always use the word 'not' to talk about something negative.



6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. They are not good at swimming, or they like playing with water.

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Victor and Vicky do not play table tennis, but they are good at playing basketball or football.

8. \_\_\_\_\_

# Grammar in Context



Text Type:  
Forum post

**E** Jasper is reading some posts in the school's forum about students' pastimes. Complete the forum posts with the correct connectives.

## Sacred Heart Primary School Online Forum

Topic: What do you like doing in your free time?



Emma075

posted at 16:12

When I'm free, I like playing badminton ① \_\_\_\_\_ tennis with my dad. I don't like playing online games ② \_\_\_\_\_ reading books. They are not exciting.



Pollychan20

posted at 16:50

I like reading fairy tales ③ \_\_\_\_\_ comics, ④ \_\_\_\_\_ I don't like writing stories. I'm not good at making up characters ⑤ \_\_\_\_\_ creating a storyline. They are too difficult.



Ellielol32

posted at 17:22

I like music very much. I can't play the piano ⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ the drums, ⑦ \_\_\_\_\_ I can play the violin. I also like playing board games, making models ⑧ \_\_\_\_\_ doing puzzles.



Hint: Q8

We can use the same connective to join more than two positive ideas in a sentence.



Islandmatt73

posted at 18:05

I like collecting cards ⑨ \_\_\_\_\_ stickers of famous football players. I also like watching football matches, ⑩ \_\_\_\_\_ I don't like playing football.



Jasper593

posted at 18:31

I don't collect cards, ⑪ \_\_\_\_\_ I like collecting stickers ⑫ \_\_\_\_\_ playing football. Matt, let's exchange our stickers later!