

# 14 Let's Go Camping

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## Grammar Notes

Connective: either ... or

We can **either** go canoeing **or** swimming. What **would** you **rather** do? I wish we can do the both of them!



Sure!

We use the connective '**either**' to talk about a choice between two possibilities. We use '**or**' to link the two possibilities. When the verbs of the two choices are the same, we tend not to repeat it.

She can	<b>either</b>	drink lemonade	<b>or</b>	eat marshmallows.
We can		go hiking		(go) diving.

## Grammar Tip

We usually don't repeat the same verb so that the sentence won't look clumsy.

## Warm-up

**A** Jasper and Ellie are thinking of what to do at the holiday village. Complete the sentences with 'either ... or' and the help of the given words.

1. Near the forest, we can \_\_\_\_\_ go orienteering \_\_\_\_\_ do archery.

(go orienteering / do archery)

2. By the lake, we can \_\_\_\_\_ picnicking \_\_\_\_\_.

(go picnicking / go fishing)

3. On the beach, we can \_\_\_\_\_.

(play volleyball / play tug of war)

4. On the mountain trail, we can \_\_\_\_\_.

(go hiking / go jogging)

5. In the water park, we can \_\_\_\_\_.

(play on water slides / swim)



## Talking About Preferences

We can use 'would ... rather' to ask about people's preferences.

What **would** you **rather** do?

We can use 'would rather ... than' to talk about which choice we prefer. We put the choice that we like more after 'rather', and the one we like less after 'than'. When the verbs of the two choices are the same, we tend not to repeat it.

I **would rather** sing around the campfire **than** play tug of war.  
Dad **would rather** go hiking **than** (go) swimming.

## Grammar Tip

We use the **base form of verbs** after 'would rather' and 'than'.

## Grammar Tip

Sometimes we omit the less preferred choice, e.g. Dad would rather go hiking.



## Common Errors

✓ I would rather **go** hiking than **play** card games.

✗ I would rather **going** hiking than **playing** card games.

- I would rather look / looking at the stars than stay / staying in the tent.
- They would rather going / go windsurfing than going / ✗ kayaking.

## Warm-up

**B** Ellie is filling in a questionnaire about the school's outing. Fill in the blanks with 'would rather' and 'than'. Then circle the correct answers.

## Your Choices of the Optional Activities

(i) What **1** \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do? **go sailing** VS **go fishing**

I **2** \_\_\_\_\_ **3** go sailing / go fishing **4** \_\_\_\_\_

**5** sailing / fishing . Sailing seems more thrilling and engaging. Fishing can be torture to me.

(ii) What **6** \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do after dinner?

**gaze at the stars** VS **dance around the campfire**

I **7** \_\_\_\_\_ **8** gaze at the stars / gazing at the stars .

**9** \_\_\_\_\_ **10** dancing around the campfire / dance around the campfire .

I don't like to move around that much.

Thank you for completing the questionnaire.



## Practice



Ellie is planning her activities for tomorrow. Read the timetable and complete her plan with 'would rather ... than', 'either ... or' and the help of the given words.

Time	Activities
9:00 a.m.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> go running <input type="checkbox"/> have group exercise
10:30 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> fly kites <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> do archery
1:00 p.m.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have a barbecue <input type="checkbox"/> have a picnic
3:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> go orienteering <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> go windsurfing



Tomorrow at nine o'clock in the morning, we can ① \_\_\_\_\_ have a group exercise class \_\_\_\_\_ go running. I ② \_\_\_\_\_ go running \_\_\_\_\_ have group exercise. At ten thirty, we can ③ \_\_\_\_\_ fly kites \_\_\_\_\_ do archery. I ④ \_\_\_\_\_ do archery \_\_\_\_\_ fly kites since shooting arrows is fun. At one, we can ⑤ \_\_\_\_\_ for lunch. I ⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ because I love roasted food. At 3 p.m., we can ⑦ \_\_\_\_\_ . I ⑧ \_\_\_\_\_ . I've gone orienteering before, so I want to try something new.



Hint: Q6 & 8

Read the timetable carefully to see which activities Ellie is going to choose.

## Proofreading



There is one mistake in each numbered line. Correct the underlined mistakes for Questions 1-2. Underline and correct the mistakes for Questions 3-7.

- In the afternoon, we can either take a walk than play Frisbee. 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- Vicky would rather taking a peaceful walk in the woods 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- than playing exciting games. She would rather walk slowly 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- or run around because she wants to relax herself. Tonight, 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- we can neither catch cuttlefish or gaze at the stars. I'd 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- either gaze at the stars. It's because I think 6. \_\_\_\_\_
- gaze at the stars is romantic and we cannot see the stunning starry night in the city easily. 7. \_\_\_\_\_



Hint: Q6

Do not mix up the two sentence patterns taught in this unit.

# Grammar in Context

Text Type:  
Conversation

**E** Jasper and his friends are planning their day. Look at the table and complete their conversation with 'would rather ... than', 'either ... or' and the correct words.

Activities at the Campsite					
9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.		2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.		8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	
					
Jasper & Matt	Lucas	X	Matt, Lucas & Jasper	Lucas	Jasper & Matt

Jasper : We can ① \_\_\_\_\_ do archery \_\_\_\_\_ go canoeing at 9:30 a.m.

What ② \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do?

Matt : I ③ \_\_\_\_\_ do archery \_\_\_\_\_ go canoeing because I'm not good at swimming.

Jasper : I ④ \_\_\_\_\_  
too. It seems fun to me.

Lucas : I ⑤ \_\_\_\_\_  
I think water sports are more exciting. What can we do in the afternoon?

Matt : We can ⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ go cycling \_\_\_\_\_ wall climbing, but I think I  
⑦ \_\_\_\_\_  
We can go cycling any time with our parents.

 Hint: Q7

Remember we do not need to repeat the same verb.

Lucas : Agree! I will join you, Matt.

Jasper : Okay! At night, we can ⑧ \_\_\_\_\_ sing around the campfire \_\_\_\_\_  
gaze at the stars. What ⑨ \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ do?

Matt : I ⑩ \_\_\_\_\_  
It's so peaceful and quiet out here.

Lucas : I ⑪ \_\_\_\_\_  
It's bright and warm near a fire.

Jasper : I want to enjoy the peace here, so I will gaze at the stars with Matt.