

B1.2 Free Time Arrangements

You can learn:

- How to talk about art and music.
- How to talk about future arrangements.
- How to persuade your partner to change his/her plans.

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**What do you like doing in your free time?
Do you like going to concerts, or art galleries?
Read what the two people say then give your views.**



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*I love to play the cello. I love playing music in concerts and to friends. I love going to concerts too. In fact, I live for music. It relaxes me and makes me happy. Nothing else makes me feel so good. **Andy***

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*I'm an artist. I want to go to art college. It has always been my favourite subject at school. In the holidays, I make money by using crayons to paint pictures on the pavement and tourists give me money. I love going to art galleries as well. **Sue***



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Now discuss *your* answers to the questions in the box about music.

- What kind(s) of music do you like?
- Are you a good singer? Do you sing in the bath/shower? Have you sung karaoke?
- Can you play a musical instrument?
- Do you like opera? Do you like reggae?
- Do you like jazz? Classical music? Popular music?
- Do you like disco? Rhythm and blues?
- Do you like country? Folk? Broadway musicals?
- Who is the most famous musician in your country? What kind of music is popular?
- Do you like going to concerts/festivals/live shows? Have you ever been to one? Describe it...
- Do you download music? Have you a collection of music? Do you have any vinyl/CDS/DVDs?
- What kind of music do/did your parents like?
- What is your favourite song? Why?
- Do you remember the lyrics to songs?
- What would life be like without music?



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Now discuss *your* answers to the questions in the box about art and painting.

- Are you a good painter? Did you enjoy art classes at school? Why?
- Do you like modern art? Or do you prefer traditional art? Why?
- Can you draw pictures? Can you do sculptures?
- Do you think photography can be art? Why?
- Do you like to take photographs? Why?
- Do you have a favourite painting? Describe it...
- Do you like to go to art galleries?
- Can graffiti be considered art? Why/why not?
- Do you like to go to art museums? Why/why not?
- Are there famous museums in your country?
- Why is art important?
- Do you have a favourite painter?
- Do you hang paintings on the walls of your home? If so, by which artists?
- Who is the most famous artist in your country? What kind of art does s/he do?



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Imagine you are 'Holiday Maker A' and 'Holiday Maker B'. You have both planned what you want to do on a week away. However, you have very different ideas. Try to persuade your partner to change their plans and that your ideas are better.

Useful Language:

How about going...

What about visiting...

I think we should...

I was hoping to...

It would be more fun to...

Holiday Maker A

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.00	singing lesson 		art exhibition 		
12.00					
2.00	pottery class 	museum visit 			
10.00					

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Holiday Maker B

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.00	photography class 		shopping 		
12.00					
2.00	rock concert 	trip to the cinema 			
10.00					



Useful Language:

I was planning to...

I would rather go to...

I don't think we should...

It would be better to...

It'd be more interesting to..

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Now write an email to another friend telling them your newly agreed, final holiday plans.

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*"Without music,
life would be a
mistake."
Friedrich Nietzsche*