

1.1 Do you like country music?

VOCABULARY Music and film

1 Circle the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 *Horror / Rock* music usually features an electric guitar.
- 2 Scary films about ghosts and monsters are called *horror movies / romantic comedies*.
- 3 Studies show that listening to *classical / action* music helps you concentrate better.
- 4 *Jazz / Science fiction* films often include robots and aliens.
- 5 *Country / Rock* singers often wear cowboy hats when they perform.
- 6 A film about people falling in love is probably a *horror movie / romantic comedy*.
- 7 A film with violent fight scenes is probably a(n) *action movie / romantic comedy*.
- 8 *Jazz / Country* music usually features a saxophone or trumpet.

2 Complete the sentences so that they are true for you.

- 1 I like watching _____. My favourite film is _____.
- 2 I don't like _____ films, such as _____.
- 3 _____ is my favourite type of music. One band/musician I like is _____.

LISTENING Talking about films

3  1 Listen to a woman describing a film. Answer the questions.

- 1 What type of film is it?
 - a action
 - b romantic comedy
 - c horror
- 2 The film is about _____.
 - a two chefs who fall in love and start a restaurant together
 - b a chef who owned many restaurants and lost his business
 - c a woman who overcame many challenges to become a chef

4  1 Listen again. Which words does the speaker use to describe the film?

- a boring
- b funny
- c sad
- d pretty good

COMMUNICATION Talking about favourites

5 Match the questions (1–5) with the responses (a–e).

- 1 Who's this singer?
- 2 What kind of music do you like?
- 3 Do you like Rihanna?
- 4 What do you think of pop music?
- 5 Do you have a favourite singer?

- a Yes, I really like Ellie Goulding. She's incredible.
- b It's Taylor Swift.
- c I don't like it that much.
- d Well, I really like country.
- e Yes! I love her music!

6 Answer the questions in your own words.

- 1 What do you think of classical music?

- 2 What kind of music don't you like? Why?

- 3 Who's your favourite actor?



1.2 What's your favourite?

GRAMMAR Present simple

- 1 Circle the correct options to complete the text.

My friend Amber ¹has / have an unusual hobby. She ²make / makes music videos. She ³doesn't / don't play any instruments herself so she ⁴film / films her friends who ⁵is / are in bands. She ⁶uses / use her phone and she ⁷put / puts the videos on YouTube. I ⁸don't / doesn't always like the music, but I ⁹loves / love her videos. Her new video is my favourite. I hope it ¹⁰go / goes viral!

- 2 Complete the sentences with the correct verb.

doesn't like Does do are don't like sings watches love

- 1 _____ your brother like hip-hop?
- 2 I _____ horror movies at all.
- 3 We _____ action movies.
- 4 What types of film _____ you like?
- 5 My husband really _____ my favourite music.
- 6 He only _____ science fiction films.
- 7 Who _____ your favourite bands?
- 8 She _____ in a jazz band.

LANGUAGE FOCUS Talking about likes and interests

- 3 Circle the correct options to complete the conversations.

- 1 A: Does she like action movies?
B: No, she doesn't / don't like them at all.
- 2 A: Do you like rap music?
B: Yes, I does / do.
- 3 A: What kind of music does she like?
B: She likes / like pop music.
- 4 A: Who's your favourite singer?
B: My favourite singer is / are Gwen Stefani.
- 5 A: What kind of films don't you like?
B: I love / hate horror movies.

- 4 **1 2** Listen to the questions. Choose the correct response (a–d).

a No, he doesn't. b Yeah, they do. c I like *The Hunger Games*. d Yes, I do.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____

5 Complete the conversations with these phrases.

don't like it do you like do

1 What kind of music _____ ?

Well, I like reggae, and I love dance music.

2 Do you like world music?

Yes, I _ It's my favourite!

3 Do they like jazz?

No, they _____ at all. They only like hip-hop.

PRONUNCIATION Contractions and possessives

6  Look at the sentences. The ones on the left do not use contractions. The ones on the right do use contractions. Listen to the examples and repeat.

	Not contracted	Contracted
1	Yes, you are right! I do like rap music.	Yes, you're right! I do like rap music.
2	My friends do not like pop music.	My friends don't like pop music.
3	That is not a romantic comedy. It is an action movie.	That isn't a romantic comedy. It's an action movie.

7 Listen. Circle the words that are contracted.

1 a are not

b is not

c does not

2 a is not

b do not

c does not

3 a we are not

b they are

c we are

8 Look at the example sentence. Notice that contractions are different from possessives. Possessives are used to show that something belongs to someone. Now look at the sentences (1–4). Is each word in **bold** a contraction or possessive? Tick (✓) the correct box.

Example: That's my brother's CD. It's Coldplay's new album.

possessive possessive

contraction of *is* contraction of *is*

1 Matt **Damon's** best film is *The Martian*.

☐ contraction

☐ possessive

2 His favourite **film's** *Gone with the Wind*.

☐ contraction

☐ possessive

3 So **what's** your favourite book?

☐ contraction

☐ possessive

4 **Anna's** brother has hundreds of DVDs.

☐ contraction

☐ possessive

READING

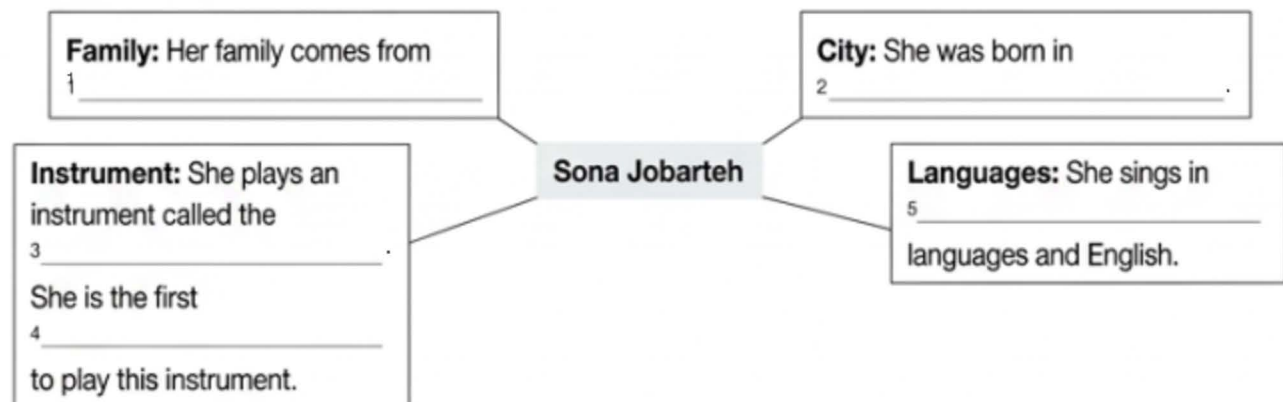
African music from London

- 1 **S**ona Jobarteh is the first woman to professionally play the kora, a traditional instrument from Africa. She was born in London in 1983, but her family is from the Gambia. Jobarteh has loved music since she was young. She started learning the kora when she was just three years old, and a year later she gave her first performance. Now she is one of the best kora players in the world.
- 2 Jobarteh's family are well-known storytellers. Storytellers play the kora while they sing, read poems, or create stories. This is an important job in West Africa, and only men used to do it. This changed when Jobarteh learned the kora. Many West Africans are now amazed to see a woman playing the instrument.
- 3 Jobarteh plays concerts in different countries all over the world. She usually plays with a band that uses modern instruments like the electric guitar and drums. She sings in English and African languages while playing the kora. Her dream is to open a music school in the Gambia someday.



Sona Jobarteh performing at the Rainforest World Music Festival

- 1 Read the article. What is it mainly about?
- a a band from London
 - b a woman who plays an instrument
 - c an African rap star
- 2 Complete the word map using information from the article.



LISTENING

3  **5** Listen. What is the speaker talking about?

- a** African singing traditions
- b** a famous musician
- c** a musical instrument

4  **5** Listen again. Circle **T** for true or **F** for false.

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| 1 A kora has six strings, just like a guitar. | T | F |
| 2 Part of a traditional kora is made from a type of vegetable. | T | F |
| 3 A kora player sits down to play the instrument. | T | F |
| 4 Kora players use one hand to pluck the kora's strings. | T | F |
| 5 A good kora player can make five or six sounds in one second. | T | F |

5 In what ways is kora music similar to the bluegrass music played by Sleepy Man Banjo Boys? How is it different?

WORD FOCUS *from*

6 Put *from* in the correct place in the sentences.

- 1** I love listening to music *from* old films.
- 2** The band is New Jersey, United States.
- 3** Classical music is most popular with people aged 55 to 79.
- 4** The film is on Monday to Friday.
- 5** We get new songs our music platform.
- 6** Bluegrass music gets its name Kentucky, the 'Bluegrass State'.
- 7** A banjo is made wood.
- 8** I hear my friends online every day.

7 Complete the sentences so that they are true for you.

- 1** I work from _____ to _____.
- 2** My favourite band is from _____.
- 3** My favourite instrument is made from _____.
- 4** I hear from _____ every day.
- 5** My favourite _____ gets its name from _____.
- 6** I love listening to music from _____.
- 7** I think rap music is most popular with people aged from _____ to _____.
- 8** I get new books from _____.

1.4

Bluegrass virtuosity from ... New Jersey?

▶ Dong Woo Jang: The art of bow-making

Dong Woo Jang is a teenager from South Korea with an unusual hobby. He enjoys building bows using different types of wood, such as maple, yew and mulberry. Jang says that making bows is very relaxing and helps him calm down after a long day at school.



▶ Steve Jurvetson: Model rocketry

Steve Jurvetson's hobby is building model rockets. However, his rockets can actually fly up to thirty kilometres (eighteen miles) into the air. Jurvetson tells us why he loves building rockets and shows us some photos of his favourite ones.



▶ BLACK: My journey to yo-yo mastery

Two-time world yo-yo champion, Tomonari Ishiguro (also known as BLACK) was only fourteen when he first picked up a yo-yo. He realized he had a talent for it. BLACK combines dance and sport to create stunning yo-yo tricks.



TEDTALKS

1 Read the descriptions of three TED Talks above. What is the best theme for this playlist, a, b or c?

- a expensive passions
- b unique hobbies
- c unusual jobs

2 Read the TED playlist again and answer the questions.

1 Which two speakers build things? _____

2 How does Jang's hobby help him? _____

3 Which speaker is the best in the world at his hobby? _____

4 How old was BLACK when he started his hobby? _____

3 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

1 A **champion** is someone who *loses* / *wins* competitions.

2 A **yo-yo** is a type of *machine* / *toy*. It moves up and down a piece of string.

3 A **model** of an object is usually a *smaller* / *bigger* version of the actual thing.

4 Which talk would you most like to see? Why? Watch the talk at TED.com.

1.5 Who likes what?

WRITING Introducing yourself by email

1 Read the email. What is the name of Marla's band?

Hi Sam,

My name's Marla. It's great to be in touch! I'm from São Paulo in Brazil. I'm twenty years old, and I'm studying music at the University of São Paulo. I'm really passionate about music, and I want to be a musician. I like all kinds of music, but my favourite is rock music. I play the bass guitar in a band called Electric Apple.

How about you? What kind of music do you like? Do you play any instruments? I'd be really interested to know. Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Best wishes,
Marla

In the first paragraph, say where you are from and what you do.

Use some new words from this unit.

In the third paragraph, ask your friend a few questions about their likes and dislikes.

In the second paragraph, write about your passion.

End with *Best wishes* or *Kind regards*.

2 Write an email to a new friend you met online. Answer the questions to plan your email.

1 What's your name and where are you from?

2 How old are you and what do you do?

3 What is your passion?

4 What do you want to know about your new friend?

3 Write your email. Then complete the checklist.

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| Did you use correct spelling and punctuation? | ☐ |
| Did you use some new words from this unit? | ☐ |
| Did you say what your passion is? | ☐ |
| Did you ask your friend about their likes and dislikes? | ☐ |