

What's on TV?

A *I love watching game shows.*

1 Look at the pictures. Circle the correct answer.



1. What type of shows do they like?

- a. Documentaries
- b. Cartoons
- c. Talk shows



2. What type of shows does Jim watch?

- a. Reality shows
- b. Sitcoms
- c. Cartoons



3. What's his favorite type of TV show?

- a. Game shows
- b. The news
- c. Soap operas



4. What do they watch at night?

- a. The news
- b. Talk shows
- c. Dramas



5. What type of shows does his family watch?

- a. Sitcoms
- b. Documentaries
- c. Game shows



6. What does Sarah watch after work?

- a. Sitcoms
- b. Dramas
- c. The news



7. What's on TV?

- a. A game show
- b. A cartoon
- c. A talk show



8. What's that?

- a. A cartoon
- b. A reality show
- c. A soap opera



9. What are they watching?

- a. The news
- b. A drama
- c. A talk show

2 Complete the chart. Write the verbs from the box in the correct column.

dislike	✓hate	like	prefer
enjoy	hope	love	want



3 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. at night / shows / watch / I / like / reality / to / .

I like to watch reality shows at night.

2. to / new / Melvin / buy / TV / next week / hopes / a / .

3. on the Internet / TV shows / dislikes / My / mother / watching / .

4. do / What / love / of TV shows / types / watching / you / ?

5. favorite / hate / We / our / missing / show / .

6. on the radio / listen / Sarah and Mike / prefer / to / to the news / .

4 In four of the sentences from Exercise 3, the verb can be followed by either a gerund or an infinitive. Rewrite those sentences in the other way.

1. *I like watching reality shows at night.*

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5 Answer the questions with the words in parentheses. Use the correct form of the verbs. Sometimes two answers are possible.

1. What shows do you watch on TV?

I love watching sitcoms. / I love to watch sitcoms. (love / watch / sitcoms)

2. Does your sister like reality shows?

Yes. _____ (enjoy / watch / them)

3. Do you listen to the radio?

No, I don't. _____ (prefer / listen / to music on my computer)

4. Why is Jack at the store?

_____ (want / buy / a new TV)

5. Why is Laura at the bookstore?

_____ (hope / see / that famous writer)

6. What types of movies does Paul like?

_____ (like / watch / dramas)

7. Why aren't Dan and Susan at the mall?

_____ (hate / shop)

8. Do you and Mary watch a lot of TV?

No. _____ (dislike / watch / TV)

6 Circle the correct words to complete the conversation.

Mara: Hey, Ken. What's wrong?

Ken: Well, I (hate)₁ / dislike to watch TV.

Mara: Oh, OK. What do you enjoy₂ / want to do?

Ken: Hmm . . . Well, I like₃ / want riding bikes.

Mara: But it's really cold outside!

Ken: You're right. I hope₄ / enjoy playing board games.

Mara: Well, I prefer₅ / enjoy to play chess.

Ken: OK. Let's play chess! Could you turn off the TV?

Mara: Well, actually . . . I want₆ / dislike to watch it while we play.

Ken: Oh, no!



B I don't really agree.

1 Complete the conversation with *agree* or *disagree*.

Tim: I think cartoons are great!

Aisha: I agree₁. They're funny!

Wendy: I don't really disagree₂, Aisha.
Cartoons aren't funny. They're boring.

Aisha: Wendy, don't you like soap operas?

Wendy: Yes, I do. Why?

Aisha: Well, I think soap operas are boring!

Wendy: I agree₃. They're interesting!

Tim: I'm afraid I disagree₄, Wendy.
They are pretty boring!

Wendy: Well, what do you think of reality shows?

Tim: Oh, they're great . . . interesting and funny!

Aisha: I agree₅ with you, Tim!

Wendy: Hey, I think so, too. Let's watch a reality show.



2 Complete the conversations with your opinion. Use some of the expressions from Exercise 1.

A. Tim: I think cartoons are great.

Aisha: I think so, too. They're funny.

You: _____₁

Wendy: I think cartoons are boring.

You: _____₂

B. Aisha: Do you like soap operas?

Wendy: Yes! I think soap operas are interesting!

You: _____₁

Tim: I think soap operas are boring!

You: _____₂

C

I'm recording a documentary.

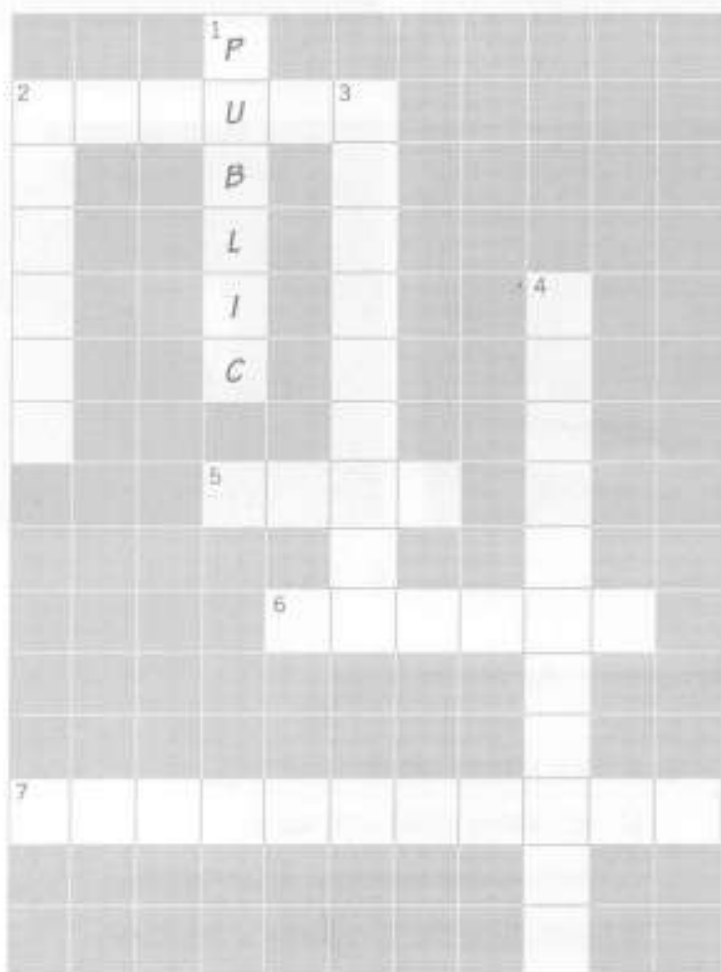
1 Complete the sentences and the puzzle with television words.

Across

2. Jenny likes to watch _____ of old sitcoms on TV. She watches the same shows from the 1990s every night.
5. Do you _____ the sad parts of movies? I never watch them.
6. I'm going to work. Can you _____ my favorite show? Thanks!
7. I like watching TV shows online. I _____ through the boring parts!

Down

1. I don't pay for any TV channels, but there are some good shows on _____ *public* TV.
2. Where's the _____ control? I want to turn the TV on.
3. Do you have _____ TV? You have great channels, but I didn't see a dish outside.
4. I hate watching TV. I like the shows, but I don't like the _____.



2 What are they doing on Saturday? Read the sentences. Label the pictures with the correct names.

- Tom is staying home on Saturday.
- Tonya is taking her school books to the library on Saturday.
- Isabella is going to a club on Saturday.
- Randy is playing a sport on Saturday.
- Emily is driving to her sister's house on Saturday.
- Mateo is meeting a friend at a Japanese restaurant on Saturday.



1. Isabella 2. _____ 3. _____



4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

3 Match the questions and answers. Use the information in the sentences and the pictures in Exercise 2.

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| 1. What's Tom doing on Saturday? <u>e</u> | a. He's playing soccer. |
| 2. What's Randy doing on Saturday? _____ | b. He's eating sushi with Naoki. |
| 3. What's Isabella doing on Saturday? _____ | c. She's visiting her sister in San Francisco. |
| 4. What's Emily doing on Saturday? _____ | d. She's doing her homework at the library. |
| 5. What's Mateo doing on Saturday? _____ | e. He's watching TV. |
| 6. What's Tonya doing on Saturday? _____ | f. She's going dancing. |

4 Rewrite the sentences. Use the present continuous and the words in parentheses.

1. She goes to work.

She's going to work on Monday . (on Monday)

2. He watches reruns of his favorite TV show.

_____ . (tonight)

3. What do you do for fun?

_____ ? (this weekend)

4. Does he teach English in South Korea?

_____ ? (next year)

5. We don't record our favorite shows.

_____ . (on Friday)

6. The Hawks play the Lions.

_____ . (next week)

7. I don't cook Mexican food.

_____ . (for the party)

8. Where does she travel for work?

_____ ? (next month)

5 Look at some of Becky's plans for next week. Then read the answers and complete the questions.

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	- buy a new TV	- have a party for Mark - make and post a video of the party	- watch the baseball game with Tim - record the game for Doug	- visit my parents - go out with Joan

- Is Becky buying a new TV on Friday? No, she isn't. She's buying it on Thursday.
- _____ on Sunday? No, they aren't. They're watching it on Saturday.
- _____ on Saturday? No, she isn't. She's having it on Friday.
- _____ of the game? No, she isn't. She's making a video of the party.
- _____ for Mark? No, she isn't. She's recording it for Doug.
- _____ on Thursday? No, they aren't. They are going out on Sunday.
- _____ her grandparents? No, she isn't. She's visiting her parents.
- _____ on Saturday? No, she isn't. She's visiting them on Sunday.

1 Read the article. Write the headings for each section in the correct place.

Watch on your cell phone

Watch on your computer

Watch on your TV

How are you watching your favorite TV shows?

1. _____

You like watching shows on your TV at home, but you don't want to pay a lot of money. In the past, most TV programs were free. Now you have to pay for many TV channels. Satellite dishes are expensive, too. Get a digital video player. It's a small box, and it's not very expensive. Connect it to your TV, and you can watch shows from the Internet on your TV for free!

2. _____

You can watch many TV shows online. For example, one website has TV shows from the United States and England. Another website has TV shows from around the world. Do you like reruns? On some websites you can watch old TV shows. Watch all the episodes of an entire year of your favorite show in one weekend!

Some TV networks have their own TV programs online. These programs have a series of episodes. The episodes of these TV programs are often online for only a few weeks. Then the networks remove the old episodes and add new ones. There are also some commercials, but they are usually short.

3. _____

You are never home and you don't like to take your computer everywhere with you. You can download TV shows from a website to your computer. Then download them from your computer to your phone. It is even possible to download or stream some TV shows directly into some types of cell phones. You can watch the shows on a bus, or on a train, or while you are exercising at the gym!

TV is almost 100 years old! Here are some important dates in the history of television.

- 1920s first TV sets
- 1930s first TV commercial
- 1940s first sitcom, first color TV sets
- 1950s first reality show
- 1960s first satellite TV



2 Read the article again. Then answer the questions.

1. Are reality shows new? No, they aren't.
2. Do shows online have commercials? _____
3. Can you watch reruns online? _____
4. How can you watch TV shows on a bus? _____
5. What can you connect to your TV to watch shows from the Internet? _____