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Unit 2 • Lesson C: I'm not really into it.

Vocabulary

Hobbies and free time

baseball memorabilia	(n)	
board game	(n)	
crosswords	(n)	
hiking	(n)	
martial arts	(n)	
photography	(n)	
Sudoku	(n)	
collect (teddy bears)	(v)	
do photography	(v)	
edit (photos)	(v)	
paint	(v)	
show (something) to (someone)	(v)	
Indefinite pronouns		
anything	(pron)	
sometime	(pron)	
Other words		
artistic	(adj)	
good with (my hands)	(adj)	_
have a blog	(v)	_
make money on	(v)	

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Conversation strategies

Saying *no* in a friendly way

Saying more than just *no* is friendly and polite:

- A Do you enjoy cooking?
- B Um, no, not really. I mean, I cook every day but I'm not really into it.
- A Do you have any hobbies?
- B Well no, I don't really have much time.

Really

You can use *really* to make statements stronger:

I'd **really** like to take a look sometime. (*really* before a verb)

I'm **really** good at photography. (*really* before an adjective)

You can also use *really* to make negative statements softer:

I don't **really** have much time for hobbies. (really after don't or / doesn't)

I'm not **really** interested in photography. (*really* after *not* and before an adjective)

Not really can also be a polite way to answer *no*:

- A Do you do a lot of cooking?
- **B** Not really.