



**51Talk**  
无忧英语

## Unit 2 Animal friends

### LESSON 5 **Collecting beetles**

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

In this lesson, you will learn to talk about the special hobby of collecting beetles.

## 1 Warm-up

Do you know the names of the insects in the pictures?  
Which one do you like the best?

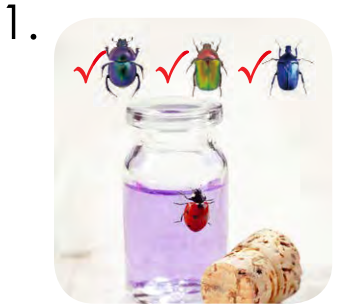


Words and phrases you may want to use:

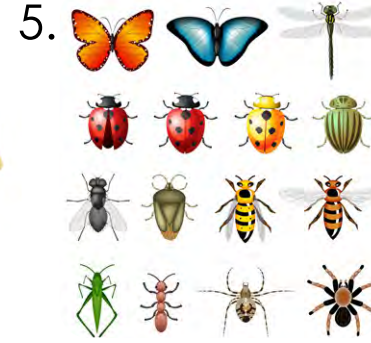
- ant
- bee
- butterfly
- dragonfly

## 2 New words and expressions

### Matching game



# collect beetles



insect ['insekt]

collect [kə'lekt] beetles  
[ 'bi:t(ə)lz]

1 differ ['dɪfə(r)] from

a pair of gloves [glʌvz]

fly [flaɪ]

**Let's go through the sentences. Pay attention to the words in red.**

- a. Ants, bees, and butterflies are all **insects**.
- b. Susan started **collecting beetles** once she saw a beautiful beetle in the summer of 2010.
- c. People **differ from** one another in their ability to handle stress.
- d. You should wear **a pair of gloves** to protect your fingers.
- e. Jack dreams to be a pilot and **fly** in the sky.



## 3 Speaking naturally

### 1. Conversation setting

Who:  
Mary and Lisa (friends)

Where:  
At Mary's apartment

Talking about:  
Mary's new hobby



*Let's see what Mary's new hobby is.*

## 3 Speaking naturally

### 2. Conversation and activity

**Lisa:** Mary, what is that little thing in your bottle?

Is it an **insect** or something?

**Mary:** Yes. It's a beetle. It's so cool, isn't it?

I'm **collecting beetles** now as my new hobby.

**Lisa:** Are you serious? I think most people are afraid of them, especially girls.

**Mary:** Yes! That's how my hobby **differs from** most other hobbies. It is very uncommon.

**Lisa:** Do beetles bite? It might be a good idea to have **a pair of gloves** around all the time.



**Mary:** Thank you very much, Lisa. You're always sweet.

**Lisa:** Can those beetles **fly**? I'm afraid of flying insects.

**Mary:** Take it easy. They can fly, but not high. Don't touch them, and you'll be fine.

**Lisa:** OK. Good luck on your new hobby.

### Describe Mary's new hobby and yours:

 <p>Mary</p>	<p>Mary's new hobby is ...</p>
 <p>You</p>	<p>Her hobby of ... differs from most other hobbies in that ...</p> <p>My new hobby is ...</p> <p>My hobby of ... differs from most other hobbies in that ...</p>

## 3 Speaking naturally

### 3. Conversation and comprehension

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**Lisa:** OK. Good luck on your new hobby.

#### Answer the questions:

1. What does Lisa see in the bottle?

*She sees ...*

2. Why does Lisa think Mary should have a pair of gloves around?

*Because she thinks ...*

## 3 Speaking naturally

### 4. Practice

**Lisa:** Mary, what is that little thing in your bottle?

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## 4 Task

### Speak out

**Teacher**

Do you know of any unusual hobbies that involve animals?

Yes ...

**You**

**Teacher**

...

...

**You**

**Teacher**

...

...

**You**

### Word tips

- insect
- collect beetles
- differ from
- a pair of gloves
- fly



## 5 Summary

What did you learn in this lesson?

Words and phrases:

Sentences:

*Let's check the next page!*

## 5 Summary

You have learned the following vocabulary and sentence patterns to talk about the special hobby of collecting beetles.

### Words and phrases:



insect



fly



collect beetles



differ from



a pair of gloves

### Sentence patterns:

I'm ... now as my new hobby.

(Make a sentence)

That's how my hobby differs from ...

(Make a sentence)

