

59.1 Which do you prefer? Write sentences using 'I prefer (something) to (something else)'. Put the verb into the correct form where necessary.

- 1 (drive / travel by train)
I prefer driving to travelling by train.
- 2 (basketball / football)
I prefer
- 3 (go to the cinema / watch DVDs at home)
I to at home.
- 4 (be very busy / have nothing to do)
I

Now rewrite sentences 3 and 4 using the structure 'I prefer to (do something)'.

- 5 (1) I prefer to drive rather than travel by train.
- 6 (3) I prefer to
- 7 (4)

59.2 Complete the sentences. Sometimes you need one word, sometimes more.

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| <p>A</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Shall we walk home? 2 Do you want to eat now? 3 Would you like to watch TV? 4 Do you want to go to a restaurant? 5 Let's leave now. 6 What about a game of tennis? 7 I think we should decide now. 8 Would you like to sit down? 9 Do you want me to come with you? | <p>B</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 I'd rather get a taxi. 2 I'd prefer to wait till later. 3 I'd to listen to some music. 4 I'd rather at home. 5 wait a few minutes. 6 I'd prefer for a swim. 7 I'd think about it for a while. 8 to stand. 9 I'd rather alone. |
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Now use the same ideas to complete these sentences using **than** and **rather than**.

- 10 I'd rather get a taxi than walk home.
- 11 I'd prefer for a swim
- 12 I'd rather at home
- 13 I'd prefer about it for a while
- 14 I'd rather some music

59.3 Complete the sentences using **would you rather I ...**

- 1 Are you going to make dinner or would you rather I made it ?
- 2 Are you going to tell Anna what happened or would you rather ?
- 3 Are you going to do the shopping or ?
- 4 Are you going to phone Tanya or ?

59.4 Use your own ideas to complete these sentences.

- 1 'Shall I tell Anna what happened?' 'No, I'd rather she didn't know.'
- 2 Do you want me to go now or would you rather I here?
- 3 Do you want to go out this evening or would you rather at home?
- 4 This is a private matter. I'd rather you tell anybody else.
- 5 I don't want to make a decision without Jack and Sue. I'd rather they here.
- 6 A: Do you mind if I put some music on?
B: I'd rather you I'm trying to study.