

7 READING My hobby

A teenage magazine has asked teenagers to write to them to tell other readers about their hobbies. Read about Eleanor and Max's hobbies.

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>I play the drums. I started to learn the drums when I was 10 years old. I wanted to learn because my cousin plays in a band. He's older than me and very cool. I got his old drums for my birthday. They're in the garage because dad says they're too noisy for the house!</p> <p>I practise every day after school and I have a lesson once a week. My drum teacher is very funny but I have to work hard for him. Sometimes I don't have enough time to play and my teacher gets angry. It's really a lot to do with all the homework; but I always have a great time.</p> <p>I play in a band with some friends. We're a girl band called "The Rock Girls". Last week we did a concert at school at lunchtime and lots of people came to see us. That was great. We played for 20 minutes. We're going to play another concert next month too. We're practising some new songs for that. Playing in a band is fun but it's lots of work. I don't have time for any other hobbies. Eleanor, 13</p> | <p>My hobby is cooking. I really love it. I started cooking about a year ago when my grandma came to stay with us. She showed me how to make some of my favourite meals like curry and shepherd's pie and now I cook all the time. For Christmas this year my parents bought me three different cook books and every week I try out a different recipe.</p> <p>I cook dinner for my family twice a week: usually on Tuesday and at the weekend. We have cooking lessons at school too and I like our teacher, Mrs Murray. She knows a lot about healthy food and she gives me ideas for new recipes to try out at home. We cook something different every week. Next week we're going to make a special chicken recipe with lots of vegetables.</p> <p>I like to cook for my family and friends most of all. Last Friday I invited two of my friends round for dinner and we made pizza together. That was fun. Next month it's my mum's 40th birthday and she's having a party. I'm going to help her with the food for that. I'm a bit worried about it because I think it's going to be a lot of work. I hope that nothing goes wrong!</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Max, 12</p> |
|---|--|

Are the sentences true or false? Tick (✓) the correct answer.

| | true | false |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Eleanor's parents bought new drums for her. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 Eleanor plays the drums in the garage because her father doesn't want them in the house. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 Eleanor hates her drum lessons. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 Max likes to cook with new recipes. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 Max cooks for his family every week. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 Mrs Murray has a new recipe every week. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 Max thinks that cooking for his mother's birthday party will be easy. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |