Lesson 8 — Having Fun: Free Time

Name: _____ Class: 8 ____ Date: _____

29 useful words and phrases. Read each item, study the Uzbek meaning and the example sentence, then do the exercises.

A. Going out and staying in

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
1	**see a film**	film ko‘rmoq	We **saw a film** about a boy and his dog.
2	**stay at home**	uyda qolmoq	It was cold and rainy, so I **stayed at home** all day.
3	**play video games**	video o‘yin o‘ynamoq	My little brother **played video games** for two hours yesterday.
4	**surf the internet**	internetda kezmoq	I **surfed the internet** and found some funny videos about cats.
5	**go to a concert**	konsertga bormoq	Last summer our class **went to a concert** in the city park.
6	**take photographs**	suratga olmoq	Dilnoza **took photographs** of the mountains on our trip.
7	**go out to a restaurant**	restoranga borib ovqatlanmoq	For my mum’s birthday we **went out to a restaurant** in the centre.
8	**have a lot of homework**	uy vazifasi ko‘p bo‘lmoq	I couldn’t play football because I **had a lot of homework**.
9	**do nothing**	hech narsa qilmay o‘tirmoq	On Sunday I was tired, so I stayed in bed and **did nothing** all morning.
10	**have friends round**	do‘stlarni uyga chaqirmoq	On Wednesday we **had friends round** and watched a football match.

B. Hobbies and free time

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
11	**free time**	bo‘sh vaqt	Last week I spent most of my **free time** in the park with my friends.
12	**collect coins**	tanga yig‘moq	My uncle **collects coins** and keeps them in a special book.
13	**from all over the world**	dunyoning turli burchaklaridan	Tourists **from all over the world** visit Samarkand every year.
14	**learn to play an instrument**	cholg‘u chalishni o‘rganmoq	Last year Bekzod decided to **learn to play an instrument**.
15	**disappear**	g‘oyib bo‘lmoq	The weekend went so fast — it just **disappeared**!
16	**cooking**	ovqat pishirish	My brother’s new hobby is **cooking** — last Sunday he made plov for us.
17	**gardening**	bog‘dorchilik (bog‘da ishlash)	My grandmother loves **gardening**, and last spring she planted ten rose bushes.

C. Clubs and sport

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
18	**be a member of a club**	to‘garak a’zosi bo‘lmoq	Last year my brother **was a member of a club** for young chess players.
19	**a computer club**	kompyuter to‘garagi	In the **computer club** we learnt to make a simple website.
20	**play tennis**	tennis o‘ynamoq	Nodira **played tennis** with her dad on Sunday morning.
21	**go skateboarding**	skeytbordda uchishga bormoq	Yesterday I **went skateboarding** in the park with my cousin.
22	**a beginner**	yangi boshlovchi	I’m only a **beginner**, so I fell three times on my first day.
23	**be free**	vaqti bo‘sh bo‘lmoq	I called Timur, but he **wasn’t free** on Saturday.

D. When did it happen?

#	English	Uzbek	Example sentence
24	**last night**	kecha kechqurun	**Last night** I read a comic until ten o’clock.
25	**last week**	o‘tgan hafta	Our teacher showed us a new board game **last week**.
26	**on Monday evening**	dushanba kuni kechqurun	**On Monday evening** we had a family dinner at my grandmother’s house.
27	**in the past**	ilgari, avvallari	**In the past** my dad played football for a team in Andijan.
28	**a year ago**	bir yil oldin	We moved to Tashkent **a year ago**.
29	**recently**	yaqinda	My aunt **recently** started a cooking class.

Reading — today's words in context

Read the text. The words in **bold** are from today's list — cover the table above and try to understand them from the sentence.

Two friends, two weekends

Aziz **had a lot of homework** last weekend, so he **stayed at home**. On Saturday he **played video games** and **surfed the internet**. 'I never know what to do in my **free time**,' he told his friend Timur on Monday.

Timur has the opposite problem — he has lots of hobbies. He plays the guitar, he **collects coins from all over the world**, and **last week** he **went skateboarding** for the first time. 'I'm **a beginner**,' he said, 'but it's a lot of fun.'

In the past Timur was **a member** of four school clubs, but they took too much time. Now he is only in the photography club. 'It sounds as if you need a hobby,' he told Aziz. 'Why not join a club? How about coming to the photography club with me? It meets once a week.' 'OK,' said Aziz. 'That sounds really interesting.'

Answer the questions in one sentence.

1. Why did Aziz stay at home last weekend?
2. What are Timur's hobbies?
3. Is Timur good at skateboarding?
4. Why did Timur leave some clubs?
5. What does Timur suggest?

Exercise 1 — Gap fill

Complete the sentences with one word or phrase from the list.

1. What do you do in your _____ _____? — I play the guitar.
2. I didn't go out last night. I _____ _____ _____ and watched TV.
3. Mum says I can _____ _____ _____ on Friday, so I've invited three classmates.
4. My brother _____ _____ from all over the world. (collect · coins)
5. Are you a _____ of the photography club?
6. Our school has a _____ _____ for students who like making websites.
7. I can't skate well yet — I'm a _____.
8. My dad gave me my first coin a _____ _____.
9. You're always bored. It _____ _____ _____ you need a hobby!
10. _____ _____ learn to play an instrument?
11. Or how _____ _____ photographs?
12. It rained all Saturday, so I just sat on the sofa and _____ _____.

Exercise 2 — Match the word with its Uzbek meaning

#	English		Uzbek
1	collect coins	a)	konsertga bormoq
2	from all over the world	b)	internetda kezmoq
3	stay at home	c)	video o‘yin o‘ynamoq
4	play video games	d)	tanga yig‘moq
5	surf the internet	e)	to‘garak a’zosi bo‘lmoq
6	go to a concert	f)	uyda qolmoq
7	be a member of a club	g)	bog‘dorchilik (bog‘da ishlash)
8	take photographs	h)	dunyoning turli burchaklaridan
9	go out to a restaurant	i)	suratga olmoq
10	gardening	j)	restoranga borib ovqatlanmoq

Exercise 3 — Your own sentences

Write 4 true sentences about yourself, your family or your school — one word from each section (A-D). Underline the word you use.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Homework

1. Laser A2 Workbook pp. 10–11, ex. 1–3.
2. Learn the 29 items with the flashcards: sozlar.com/vocab/cards/?set=grade8-lesson8
3. Write six sentences: what did you do in your free time last week?

Memory tasks (optional — choose one)

Students need to meet a word 5–7 times before they really know it.

1. **Sentences (tonight).** Write 8 true sentences using words from the list — at least one from every section.
2. **Flashcards.** sozlar.com/vocab/cards/?set=grade8-lesson8 — listen to each word, then test yourself English → Uzbek and back.
3. **Short text (50–60 words).** Use at least six words from the list.
4. **Speaking.** Tell a partner about the topic for 30 seconds without stopping, using ten words from the list.

Answer key (teacher's copy)

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Reading questions: 1. Because he had a lot of homework.; 2. Playing the guitar, collecting coins, skateboarding (and photography).; 3. No — he's a beginner.; 4. Because they took too much time.; 5. That Aziz joins the photography club with him.

Exercise 1: 1. free time; 2. stayed at home; 3. have friends round; 4. collects coins; 5. member; 6. computer club; 7. beginner; 8. year ago; 9. sounds as if; 10. Why not; 11. about taking; 12. did nothing

Exercise 2: 1-d 2-h 3-f 4-c 5-b 6-a 7-e 8-i 9-j 10-g