Lesson 8 — Having Fun: Free Time

Unit 2. Having Fun. Zak and Matt talk (Reading)
Laser A2 SB pp. 14–15 (Get ready!: harflari aralash faoliyatlar; Zak va Mett dialogi — ex.1 asosiy mavzu, ex.2 kim?, ex.3 qachon?; Wordpower: free time, member, join, video games, hang out, hobby, collect, beginner) — asosiy; Solutions Elementary p. 22 (Maisie va Ben: to‘garak a’zosi, qo‘shilish, How often does the club meet?) va p. 17 (My other hobbies are…)

Class	Grade 8
Lesson type	Skills
Aim	By the end of the lesson students can understand a conversation about free time, find who did what and when, and make suggestions about hobbies.
Materials	Vocabulary sheet (29 items), matching worksheet (Groups A and B), slides, flashcards with audio (sozlar.com/vocab); Laser A2 pp. 14–15
New items	29 words and phrases

Learning outcomes

• name twenty free-time activities and hobbies

• match the Wordpower definitions (free time, member, join, hang out, hobby, collect, beginner)

• find past time phrases in a dialogue (last night, a year ago, recently)

• suggest a hobby with Why not…? / How about…ing?

Stage by stage (45 minutes)

Min	Stage	Teacher	Students
3	**Lead-in — Get ready!**	Book p.14 Get ready!: students unscramble the activities and say which ones they like.	Unscramble, then 'I like going to concerts.'
9	**Presentation (4 blocks)**	Present A going out and staying in (10), B hobbies and free time (7), C clubs and sport (6), D time phrases (6).	Repeat, copy, find each phrase in the dialogue.
10	**Reading — ex.1–3 (recycle 1)**	Three passes: main topic, Zak or Matt, when. Check with the line in the text.	Tick, write names, write time phrases.
4	**Wordpower (recycle 2)**	Book p.15 Wordpower: eight definitions. Then the Memory check slide orally.	Write the words; check in pairs.
6	**Speaking — my free time last week (recycle 3)**	Pairs tell each other about last week; then role-play: one is bored, the other suggests hobbies.	Use past simple and Why not…? / How about…?
8	**Matching activity**	Matching worksheet; Group A and B, then swap.	Match halves, read aloud.
3	**Two friends, two weekends**	Students read the short text and answer the five questions.	Answer in full sentences.
2	**Feedback and homework**	Correct 'taked photographs' → 'took photographs'; set homework.	Write down the homework.

If you are running late (skip in this order)

Bu bosqichlar darsning maqsadiga ta’sir qilmaydi — vaqt yetmasa, shu tartibda tashlab keting.

1. Talaffuz (-ed) slaydi — keyingi darsga (~2 daq.).

2. Practice 7–12-bandlar — uyga (~3 daq.).

Questions to ask

• What is Zak's problem and what is Matt's problem?

• How did Matt start collecting coins?

• What is the difference between 'be free' and 'free time'?

• Which time phrases tell us the dialogue is about the past?

• How can you suggest a hobby to a friend?

Anticipated problems and solutions

• 'I hanged out with friends.' Hang out → hung out (irregular).

• 'How about to collect…?' After How about we use -ing: How about collecting…?

• Students read every word aloud slowly in ex.1. Give 60 seconds only for the main topic.

Fast finishers / weaker students

Fast finishers write a four-line dialogue: a bored friend and a friend with lots of hobbies; weaker students match the time phrases to the actions with the list on the slide.

Homework

• Laser A2 Workbook pp. 10–11, ex. 1–3.

• Learn the 29 items with the flashcards: sozlar.com/vocab/cards/?set=grade8-lesson8

• Write six sentences: what did you do in your free time last week?

Reading text — 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.'

Reading questions — answer key

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.

Word list (quick reference)

see a film — film ko‘rmoq

stay at home — uyda qolmoq

play video games — video o‘yin o‘ynamoq

surf the internet — internetda kezmoq

go to a concert — konsertga bormoq

take photographs — suratga olmoq

go out to a restaurant — restoranga borib ovqatlanmoq

have a lot of homework — uy vazifasi ko‘p bo‘lmoq

do nothing — hech narsa qilmay o‘tirmoq

have friends round — do‘stlarni uyga chaqirmoq

free time — bo‘sh vaqt

collect coins — tanga yig‘moq

from all over the world — dunyoning turli burchaklaridan

learn to play an instrument — cholg‘u chalishni o‘rganmoq

disappear — g‘oyib bo‘lmoq

cooking — ovqat pishirish

gardening — bog‘dorchilik (bog‘da ishlash)

be a member of a club — to‘garak a’zosi bo‘lmoq

a computer club — kompyuter to‘garagi

play tennis — tennis o‘ynamoq

go skateboarding — skeytbordda uchishga bormoq

a beginner — yangi boshlovchi

be free — vaqti bo‘sh bo‘lmoq

last night — kecha kechqurun

last week — o‘tgan hafta

on Monday evening — dushanba kuni kechqurun

in the past — ilgari, avvallari

a year ago — bir yil oldin

recently — yaqinda