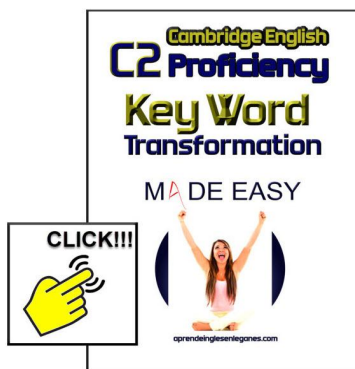


to LIKE

someone or something



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be addicted to something

to like doing something so much that you spend all your free time doing it

- My son's addicted to computer games – he hardly ever comes out of his room.
- I started watching the show out of curiosity, but now I'm addicted!

be a fan of someone or something.

to like a person or thing very much

- He's a big fan of country music.
- I'm a big fan of Madonna.
- I'm not a great fan of bushy beards.
- I'm a big fan of working out each muscle several times a week.

be crazy /mad about something

to be extremely interested in an activity and spend a lot of time doing it or watching it

- Jonah's crazy about basketball.
- She's always been mad about horses

be enamoured with/of something formal/humorous

to like something a lot:

- You don't seem very enamoured with your job.
- She was not enamoured of Paris.

be fond of somebody/something especially to like someone or something, especially something that you have liked for a long time or someone who you have known for a long time

- Connie had always been fond of animals.
- Over the years, I've become quite fond of him.

be into something - informal

to like doing a particular activity or be interested in a particular subject – used especially by young people

- She's really into music at the moment.
- What kind of films are you into?
- Will's really into jazz.

be keen on somebody/something spoken

to like someone or something – often used in negative sentences

- I like Maria but I'm not keen on her husband.
- I was keen on all sports at school.

be partial to something (old-fashioned or formal)

to like to have something – often used humorously

- He's partial to the occasional glass of wine.
- I'm not partial to fish.

have a passion for something

to like an activity very much, because it gives you a lot of pleasure or excitement

- From a very early age he had a passion for fast cars.
- To be a great performer, you have to work very hard and have a passion for the music you play.

have a soft spot for someone/something

to feel that you like sb/sth very much:

- She'd always had a soft spot for her younger nephew.
- Samantha has always had a soft spot for romantic films, and she can't resist shedding a tear during a heartfelt scene.

have a thing about somebody/something informal to like someone or something, especially something surprising or unusual

- I've always had a thing about wolves.
- He has this thing about tall women.

have a weakness for

to like something very much even though it may not be good for you

- My diet would be fine if only I didn't have a weakness for cookies.

love/adore to like something very much.

Adore is stronger than love but is less common

- I love the smell of coffee.
- The children absolutely adore her books.
- I love going out to restaurants.

something grows on you

used when saying that you begin to like something, especially something that you did not like before

- I didn't like the colour of the room at first, but it's growing on me.