**Starlight 7**

**Unit 1b Exercise 8.** You are going to give a talk about **hobbies.** You will have to speak for not more than 2 minutes (7 - 12 sentences).

**Remember to say:**

* why people have hobbies;
* what your favourite hobby is;
* why you can recommend it to other people.

**My Hobby**

1. **Introduction**

Explain what a hobby is and why people take it up.

1. **Main body**
2. Say what your hobby is;
3. Say what it involves/ describe the sort of activity it is in detail;
4. Say what kind of equipment you need;
5. Say how much time/money you spend on it and explain why.
6. **Conclusion.**

In conclusion, I would like to say that …

To sum up, I would like to say that …

All in all, …

**Vocabulary:**

* Take up a hobby
* Share a hobby with …
* Do … for pleasure in your free time
* Exciting/ amazing/ scary / risky/ fascinating/
* Be enthusiastic about …
* I think …/ I believe …/ In my opinion, …

Дополнительный материал

**Hobbies and Pastime**

A hobby is something that you enjoy doing in your free time. I think that hobbies help you not to waste your spare time doing nothing. Most people choose a hobby to their liking.

One of the most popular hobbies is collecting things. This may include collecting badges and stamps, bottles or flowers.

As for me, I used to collect …………………………… in my childhood. My collection includes more than …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Making things is another type of hobbies. This includes handicraft, drawing, painting, etc. For example, one of my……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Playing computer games has become a very popular hobby both with children and adults. It gives people additional information and chills them out. The Internet also seems really good fun for all teens.

Some people are interested in dancing. Also, many young people are fond of music. A lot of teenagers are mad about animals. They train, breed them or take part in dog/cat shows.

Personally, my major hobby is ………………..……. I am very fond of …………………………………….. It is very …………………….. for me ……………………………………………………………………………………………………

Sport can also be a hobby. I do not mean professional sport, but amateur sport. People usually play tennis, football or volleyball. Extreme types of sport have become very popular for the last ten years. A lot of people go white water rafting or snowboarding, diving, sky surfing or extreme mountain biking to feel speed, excitement and danger.

As for me, I have tried………………………………………………..…. before . I really want to try…………… ………………………………………………………………..……. because I think it is …………………………………………..

…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………... ( p.14 ex. 1-2)

There are people who do not have hobbies, but they still have their own way of spending free time. They take up UFO hunting or ghost hunting, robot building, metal detecting or tornado chasing.

I find ……………………………………………………………………..… because ……………………………….. It involves …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….. ( p.10 ex.1-3)

On the whole, I consider it necessary to have a hobby or favourite things to do because this activity gives us many moments of joy and pleasure. We become skilled and cheerful.