What is a geek?

Comic book
Arcade

Check what applies to you.

I'd like to collect...

T-shirts	magnets
mugs	pins
dolls	gadgets
action figures	comic books
keychains	posters

manga / Tazos / Video games / cars / jewelry

Steve: I'm starting to understand geeks better now.
Chloe: Oh, really? What changed your mind?
Steve: Well, I'm into comics, sci-fi, and gaming stuff. But action figures? Comic books? That's actually cool.
Chloe: Right? And don't forget the gadgets. My cousin has a keychain that works as a hidden USB drive.
Steve: No, way. I need one of those.
Chloe: Mugs and pins are pretty common.
Steve: Yo, notable. I'd like to collect mugs, honestly. Geeky ones with superhero logos.
Chloe: That's a good idea! I collect pins and magnets from every convention I go to.
Steve: Pins? Like, on a backpack?
Chloe: Or as lines. Last month I got a Deadpool/Iron Man pin signed by a comic book artist.
Steve: Wait, you go to conventions? Like, Comic-Con and stuff?
Chloe: There's a lot you don't know about me, Steve.
Steve: Clearly.
Chloe: Did the fact that I have a camera hidden inside one of my action figures.
Steve: You're joking.
Chloe: Look at the pin in my bar pool on Instagram.
Steve: Wait — what?!
Chloe: Relax. I only film people when they're being nice.

A lot of people think that geeks and nerds are the same thing, but they aren't. Geeks are more outgoing. They enjoy talking to people, especially about their interests — comic books, action figures, gadgets, things like that. Nerds are a bit different socially. They don't like to talk to people they don't know very well. They're more comfortable around their friends. They like to have fun and go to conventions. I used to think geeks were unusual, but I was wrong. Live and learn, right?

Listen to the conversation and mark the correct alternatives.

Steve now thinks geeks are...
a) ...boring and unsocial.
✓ ...actually cool.

Steve would like to collect...
a) ...action figures.
✓ ...mugs.

Chloe has a hidden camera inside one of her...
a) ...keychains.
✓ ...action figures.

By using what you heard, write T for true or F for false.

(T) Geeks are more outgoing than nerds.

(F) Nerds feel uncomfortable around other nerds.

(F) Geeks are boring.

(T) Geeks like to go to conventions.

Now listen and check.

Watch the video and answer the questions.

sleek → smooth and modern in design (elegante, moderno)

overheating → getting too hot (superaquecendo)

1 - What is Sheldon complaining about at the beginning of the conversation?
What video game to buy

2 - Why does Sheldon think the name "Xbox One" is strange?
x-box xbox -360 x-box one

3 - What can Sheldon do with the Xbox One using voice commands?
Control the entire enterteinment sistem

4 - What is Amy trying to get Sheldon to do during the conversation?
For him to pass the butter

5 - At the end, does Sheldon make a decision? What does Amy say instead?
He couldn't make a decision, she asked for the butter

Complete the questions with the words below. Then ask a classmate

behavior = comportamento
hunt = caçar

a) Are you **emotionally** attached to an object? (apegado)
b) Do you think collecting things is like a treasure **hunt**?
c) Is it hard to put **together** a collection?
d) Are **collectable** items more expensive than regular items?
e) When can collecting things become bad **Behavior**?

Awesome! Go for it.
I think you should give it a try.
Why not? Just do it.
What do you have to lose?

What sport could your class mates like to practice? Encourage him or her to star.

Collecting objects is just one of the things geeks like to do. Mark what you think applies to geeks. ✓

(✓) Have a lot of gadgets
( ) Don't interact with people
(✓) Wear ironic T-shirts
(✓) Are experts on the subject they like
( ) Wear glasses
( ) Fascinated by academic subjects

Is being a geek something negative? How about being a nerd?

Prejudice = preconceito

Society tends to label (rotular) people, put them in certain categories. That's when we end up having a wrong idea about a person.

What are the common stereotypes about the following groups?

- Surfers (smoke weed - erva)
- Celebrities
- Elite (pity of them = coitadinho)
- People with tattoos
- People with disabilities
- Older people

Past intentions (was/were + going to)

When an action that was planned in the past didn't happen, we use **was / were + going to**

I was going to buy a new gadget, but I didn't have time to go to the mall.

Were you going to stay at a hostel?	Yes, I was but I found a great discount at a hotel.
Wasn't your friend going to come over tonight?	No, he wasn't going to come over tonight.
What were you going to do yesterday?	I was going to watch a movie with my friends.

Look at the pictures above and complete:

1 Daniel was going to buy a collectable figure, but he bought a keychain.

2 The girls were going to to eat salad, but they ate hamburgers.

3 Mr. Jones was going to the laundry first, but he decided to make the bed.

Past intentions

I was going to the beach, but it rained.

I he she it	was / wasn't	Was your brother going to work on the weekend? No, he wasn't going to work on the weekend. he went fishing.
we you they	were / weren't	We were going shopping but we didn't have money. We were going to go to a different city, but we didn't have a car

Talk to a classmate about a change of plans.

A: Weren't you going to visit your cousin?
B: Yes, I was, but he had to travel on business.
A: So what did you do?
B: I stayed home.

- sell your comic book collection
- have a meeting downtown
- work out at the park
- buy that gadget

- I had a terrible headache
- it wasn't on sale
- the guy didn't have money to buy it
- the client canceled it

- went over my presentation
- posted it again to Craigslist
- bought a geeky T-shirt
- took an aspirin and went home

Listen and choose the correct alternatives.

1 - Where are they?
( ) At a gadget store ✓ At a comic convention

2 - What were they going to buy tickets for?
✓ A workshop ( ) A movie

3 - Why didn't they go to the workshop?
✓ There were no more spots. ( ) They had no more money.

4 - What was Chloe going to do today?
✓ Introduce Steve to a comic book artist. ( ) Buy a limited-edition poster.

Steve, Chloe, and I are having a great time at the comic convention. This place is amazing. We were going to visit the artist's booth, but we got lost and ended up at the wrong panel. We were going to buy tickets for a workshop, but there were no more spots left. We ended up finding a cool booth with limited-edition posters. Chloe is a great guide. She knows a lot about geek culture. She was going to introduce me to a comic book artist today, but the line was too long. I guess we'll try again tomorrow.

FOMO is real

flaw = defeito

You open Instagram and everyone seems to be living their best life — parties, trips, flawless selfies. You weren't invited. Suddenly, your Saturday night at home feels like a massive fail. Sound familiar? That feeling has a name: *FOMO* — Fear of Missing Out. It's that anxious buzz you get when you think others are having more fun than you. Social media turns FOMO up to the max because you're constantly exposed to everyone's highlight reel, not their real life. Here's the truth: nobody posts their bad hair days or awkward silences. What you see online is carefully curated content. The fix? Set boundaries. Mute accounts that make you feel low-key bad about yourself. Swap endless scrolling for something that actually recharges you. And next time FOMO hits, ask yourself: *is this real life or just someone's personal PR campaign?* Stay grounded. Your life doesn't need a filter to be worth living.

awkward = weird / strange
set boundaries = estabelecer limites

Social media & mental health
69% of teens compare themselves to others online
Only **1 in 5** talks to an adult about it
73% say social media increases anxiety
58% feel pressure to post only perfect content
Girls are about **twice** as likely to report FOMO

Choose the correct alternatives.

stand for = meaning
most likely = mais provavelmente

1. Where would you most likely find this text?
✓ In a teen wellness magazine ( ) On a financial news site

2. What does FOMO stand for?
✓ Fear of Missing Out ( ) Feeling of Moving On

3. On line 5, what expression could replace *highlight reel?*
✓ best moments only ( ) honest daily routine

4. Which group is more likely to experience FOMO according to the data? (information)
( ) Boys ✓ Girls

5. More teens feel pressure to post perfect content than those who report increased anxiety from social media.
( ) True ✓ False