**Levantine Arabic Study Guide 26**

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**Materials to study:**

Syrian Colloquial Arabic, Unit 7 “What are you doing?” – Function F

Listening Comprehension Practice – [CultureTalk Arab Levant](http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu/culturetalk/arab_levant/index.html)

Watch and listen to these videos. First listen without consulting the text or translation. Then study the texts. Learn vocabulary for talking about the various activities people do in their free time. Practice telling what each speaker likes to do in his/her free time.

Youth Culture: Hanging Out – “A Teenager’s Free Time”

Youth Culture: Sports Activities – “Exercise and Sports I Like”

Youth Culture: Sports Activities – “Popular Sports”

Recreation: Free Time – “A Young Man’s Pastimes”

Arts & Entertainment: Music – “Love of Music in Jordan”

**Practice and prepare for conversation session:**

* Work your way through the audio and exercises for Functions D and E. Make up variations on the exercises and do them orally.
* Be prepared to talk about what the speakers in the CultureTalk videos like to do with their free time.
* Be prepared ask questions of others about their hobbies and be prepared to answer similar questions about yourself. Be prepared to ask and answer questions about whether someone has the ability to do something or knows how to do something.
* Be prepared to talk about the hobbies of other people you know: friends, family, characters in books, TV, or movies; people you have read or heard about.