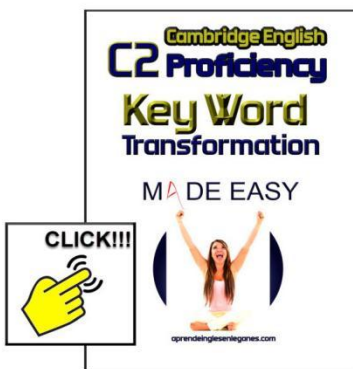


# to LIKE

## someone or something



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<p><b>be addicted to something</b>                  to like doing something so much that you spend all your free time doing it</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My son's addicted to computer games – he hardly ever comes out of his room.</li> <li>• I started watching the show out of curiosity, but now I'm addicted!</li> </ul>	<p><b>be a fan of someone or something</b>                  to like a person or thing very much</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He's a big fan of country music.</li> <li>• I'm a big fan of Madonna.</li> <li>• I'm not a great fan of bushy beards.</li> <li>• I'm a big fan of working out each muscle several times a week.</li> </ul>
<p><b>be crazy /mad about something</b>                  to be extremely interested in an activity and spend a lot of time doing it or watching it</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jonah's crazy about basketball.</li> <li>• She's always been mad about horses</li> </ul>	<p><b>be enamoured with/of something</b> - formal/humorous                  to like something a lot:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You don't seem very enamoured with your job.</li> <li>• She was not enamoured of Paris.</li> </ul>
<p><b>be fond of somebody/something</b>                  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</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connie had always been fond of animals.</li> <li>• Over the years, I've become quite fond of him.</li> </ul>	<p><b>be into something</b> - informal                  to like doing a particular activity or be interested in a particular subject – used especially by young people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She's really into music at the moment.</li> <li>• What kind of films are you into?</li> <li>• Will's really into jazz.</li> </ul>
<p><b>be keen on somebody/something</b> - spoken                  to like someone or something – often used in negative sentences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I like Maria but I'm not keen on her husband.</li> <li>• I was keen on all sports at school.</li> </ul>	<p><b>be partial to something</b> (old-fashioned or formal)                  to like to have something – often used humorously</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He's partial to the occasional glass of wine.</li> <li>• I'm not partial to fish.</li> </ul>
<p><b>have a passion for something</b>                  to like an activity very much, because it gives you a lot of pleasure or excitement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• From a very early age he had a passion for fast cars.</li> <li>• To be a great performer, you have to work very hard and have a passion for the music you play.</li> </ul>	<p><b>have a soft spot for someone/something</b>                  to feel that you like sb/sth very much:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She'd always had a soft spot for her younger nephew.</li> <li>• Samantha has always had a soft spot for romantic films, and she can't resist shedding a tear during a heartfelt scene.</li> </ul>
<p><b>have a thing about somebody/something</b> - informal                  to like someone or something, especially something surprising or unusual</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I've always had a thing about wolves.</li> <li>• He has this thing about tall women.</li> </ul>	<p><b>have a weakness for something</b>                  to like something very much even though it may not be good for you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My diet would be fine if only I didn't have a weakness for cookies.</li> </ul>
<p><b>love/adore someone/something</b>                  to like someone or something very much. Adore is stronger than love but is less common</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I love the smell of coffee.</li> <li>• The children absolutely adore her books.</li> <li>• I love going out to restaurants.</li> </ul>	<p><b>something grows on you</b>                  used when saying that you begin to like something, especially something that you did not like before</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I didn't like the colour of the room at first, but it's growing on me.</li> </ul>