

Rosa's Favourite Things

Learning objective: To understand and use Spanish opinion phrases to describe preferences.

Read the passage about Rosa the parrot and her favourite hobbies. Use the information to answer the questions below.

Rosa is a colourful parrot who loves to travel and learn new languages. Today, she is sitting in her cosy treehouse, writing a list of her favourite things in her Spanish notebook. She chirps happily, 'Me encanta el sol!' which means 'I love the sun!' She enjoys feeling the warm light on her feathers. Next, she writes about food. 'Me gusta el chocolate,' she says, nibbling on a small piece of cocoa bean. Rosa thinks chocolate is a wonderful treat. However, not everything makes her happy. She looks out of her window at the dark, grey clouds gathering in the sky. She sighs and writes, 'No me gusta la lluvia.' She finds the rain very dull because it stops her from flying to the meadow. Rosa also notes that 'Me encanta la música' because she loves to sing along to the rustling leaves in the breeze. She believes that expressing what you like and dislike is the best way to help friends understand you better. Rosa hopes that by sharing her opinions, she can help others learn how to speak Spanish too.

Word bank: Me gusta - I like · No me gusta - I do not like · Me encanta - I love · La música - Music · El chocolate - Chocolate · La lluvia - The rain

1. According to the text, which two things does Rosa say she loves (me encanta)? (2 marks)

2. Why does Rosa dislike the rain? (2 marks)

3. What does the phrase 'No me gusta' tell us about Rosa's feelings towards the weather? (2 marks)

4. Why might Rosa want to share her opinions in Spanish with her friends? (2 marks)

5. If you were writing a list like Rosa, what is one thing you would say 'Me encanta' to? Explain why. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Rosa the parrot in her treehouse with a notebook. Include a speech bubble showing one of the Spanish phrases she used in the story.



Extension challenge: Choose three activities you enjoy. Write them down using the sentence starter 'Me gusta...' followed by the English translation.