Teil 2,6

Was machen Sie gern?

expressing a liking for something: gern

The word gern is used to indicate that the subject of the sentence likes to do whatever the verb in the sentence indicates. It is usually placed right after or shortly after the verb, ie., before most other complements. Study the German sentences and their English equivalents to get a better understanding of the impact of gern on a sentence:

Wir sprechen gern Deutsch. We like speaking German.

We enjoy speaking German. We like to speak German.

Ich mache das gern. I like doing that.

I enjoy doing that.
I like to do that.

expressing a dislike for something: nicht gern

Use the expression *nicht gern* to indicate a dislike for doing something:

Ich arbeite nicht gern. I don't like working.

I don't enjoy working. I don't like to work.