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An unusual hobby

Presenter We all have different hobbies. Some people play football, others listen to music. But some people have unusual hobbies. I'm here to meet James Carcaterra. From nine to five, he's an IT consultant, but in his free time he juggles. And he can juggle very well. He can juggle three balls with two hands and he can juggle two balls with one hand. Hello.

James Hi!

Presenter So James, first of all – why?

James I like juggling. It's hard but it's fun, too. Actually, it's fun because it's hard. I like trying new things and learning new tricks.

Presenter And you're in a juggling group. Is that right?

James Yes. We meet every week and we often go to events and festivals. It's really nice because we've got very good jugglers and beginners, too.

Presenter Beginners? Really?

James Well, yeah. Everybody can learn!

Presenter Everybody? Can you teach me?

James Yeah, sure. First of all, can you catch one ball?

Presenter Er, I think so ...

James Here you go. Now, can you throw it from one hand to the other?

Presenter Yes, that's easy.

James But can you do it with your eyes closed?

Presenter Ah! OK, that's hard!

James Try again. That's it! Excellent! OK, open your eyes. Here's another ball. Now try with two.

Presenter OK ... OK, I can do this ...

James Fantastic. Now you can juggle, it's time to try three balls!

Presenter No. I definitely can't do that!

James OK. You just need to look and catch quickly. Now it's your turn.

Presenter I can do it ... I can do it ... Well, James. What's the secret?

James That's easy – practice.

Presenter Well I think I need a lot! Right, time for some more. Juggling is a great hobby. Everybody can do it. It's difficult, but it's great fun!