It's Not That I Don't Like It

English · C1

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The grammar · Hedging: apparently, presumably

Find it: __ / 2

1 · SEE IT

and "pending further review" is not, apparently, an answer.

2 · LEARN IT

apparently	it seems	**presumably**	I guess, I suppose
strictly speaking	if we are very exact	**I suspect**	I think so, but I'm not sure
quite honestly	to be honest	**maybe**	perhaps
It's interesting.	(polite) I don't like it	**Well, it's complicated.**	I can't give a simple answer

3 · FIND IT

Circle every example of hedging. One line has none.

1. Maybe the problem was never the paint, but the fear
2. So I reach for the classic hedge, the diplomatic "interesting,"
3. is the most alarming word in the English language.

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] give me a second, I'm drafting a sentence.
- [ ] in a color the label calls Sunset Mango,
- [ ] My roommate Tess came home on Saturday with three gallons of paint
- [ ] and by the time I'd finished my coffee, our living room
- [ ] It's not that I don't like it, it's just…

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 7

For parents: scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

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Grammar · Find it (2)

1 maybe 2 interesting 3 none

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

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For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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