# 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**

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|---|---|---|---|
| **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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English · C1 · Grammar: Hedging: apparently, presumably · 7 points

## Grammar · Find it (2)

1 maybe  2 interesting  3 none

## 2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

give me a second, I'm drafting a sentence. 2 · in a color the label calls Sunset Mango, 4 · My roommate Tess came home on Saturday with three gallons of paint 3 · and by the time I'd finished my coffee, our living room 5 · It's not that I don't like it, it's just... 1

**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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