## Walking is My Play

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As a child, I was worried about getting hurt playing games. So, as an adult, I still don't like to play games. Instead, I enjoy spending my free time walking around Cambridge. This past Saturday, I walked more than 12,000 steps.

I enjoy walking because I like to watch the boats in the river. I like to see people do their exercises. I get excited when I see buildings and construction. How intelligent people are! I love to stop and listen to people playing guitar or singing in the streets. I often watch kids play in the park.



They play basketball, soccer, and volleyball. And they ride their bikes, too. I feel emotional and happy to see kids that are doing well.

If I stayed in my house all the time, I couldn't see all of these beautiful things. As an adult, I enjoy walking because it makes me connected with the environment. I don't like to play games, but I love walking.

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## What Is Your Play?

After you read Marie's story (above) and look at the images (below), describe the kind of play that you like the best. Explain. What is your definition of play?



