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## Animal-related

- Beekeeping
- Dog and cat breeding
- Herpetoculture
- Animal fancy - Keeping pet or show animals
- Horses
- Animal rescue (injured or orphaned wild or domestic animals)

## Arts and Crafts

- Blacksmithing
- Crochet
- Dollhouses
- Doll making
- Drawing
- Embroidery
- Enamels
- Knitting
- Miniature figures
- Painting
  - Figure painting (hobby)
  - Tole painting
- Pottery
- Quilting
- Scrapbooking
- Sculpture
- Sewing
- Stained glass
- Stamping
- Warm glass
- Weaving
- Wood carving
- Woodworking

## Collecting

- Antiques
- Artwork
- Autographs
- Books
- Classic videogames
- Coins
- Collecting fossils
- Comic books
- Currency
- Dumpster diving
- Enamels
- Found objects
- Microchips
- Phillumenism (match-box labels)
- Postcards
- Records
- Collecting Rocks and Minerals

- Scale models
- Shopping lists
- Stamps
- Trading cards such as baseball cards
- Wine labels
- Shot glasses

## Computer-related

- 3D computer graphics design
- Animation design
- Computer games
- Computer programming
  - Open source and the free software movement
- Operating systems, e.g. GNU/Linux
- Retrocomputing

## Cooking

- **Baking**
- **Barbecuing**
- **Creating new recipes**
- **Learning a new styles of cooking (Asian, German, Hungarian)**

## DIY (Do It Yourself)

- Home Repairs

## Electronics

- Hardware hacking
- Amateur radio and CB radio
- Robots

## Film-making

## Games

- Board games
  - Chess
  - Go
  - Pente
  - Tournament Scrabble

- Card games
  - Bridge
  - Poker
  - Backgammon
  - Gin rummy
- Dominoes
- Wargaming, sometimes with miniatures
- Role-playing games

## **Geofiction, including model nations**

## **Historical reenactment, as in the Society for Creative Anachronism**

## **Homebrewing**

## **Interactive fiction**

## **Internet-based hobbies**

- Geneology
- Google Whacking
- Newsgroups
- Currency bill tracking
- Geocaching a modern day form of treasure hunting
- GPS drawing
- BookCrossing

## **Literature**

- Reading
- Writing
  - Autobiography
  - Magazine Articles
  - Journaling
  - Screen plays
  - Short stories
- Learning foreign languages

## **Machining**

## **Model (scale model) building**

- Matchstick models
- Military models
- Model aircraft -- civil and military
- Model cars, including radio-controlled cars
- Model commercial vehicles
- Model houses
- Model figures -- historical and military
- Model military vehicles -- including armored vehicles
- Model nations
- Model railways/railroads
- Model rockets
- Model ships -- civil and military
- Movie and Pop Culture-based models

## **Motor vehicles**

- Antique cars
- Kit cars
- Motorcycles
- Off-roading
- Trucks
- Car washing

## **Music**

- Singing and playing musical instruments
- Musical composition and MIDI composition
- Participating in a choir
- Music history
- Recording old music
- Collecting CDs

## **Observation**

- Amateur astronomy
- Geyser gazing
- Metrophilia
- Train, plane, and bus spotting

## **Outdoor nature activities**

- Backpacking

- Birdfeeding, birding, and birdwatching
- Butterfly watching
- Camping
- Caving
- Canoeing and kayaking
- SCUBA diving
- Gardening, including forest gardening, organic gardening, wildlife gardening, and permaculture
- Hiking
- Kite flying
- Mountain climbing
- Rafting
- Rock climbing
- Stone skipping
- Rockhounding (rock and mineral hunting/collecting)
- Walking

## **Photography**

- Kite photography
- Black and white
- Scenery
- Travel

## **Physics demos or experiments**

### **Puzzles**

- Jigsaw puzzle
- Crossword puzzles
- Word seek puzzles

### **Research-related**

- Genealogy
- Hagiography

### **Restoration of highly entropic artifacts**

- Antique machinery
- Early computers
- Houses
- Sailboats, early motorized boats

## **Sports or other physical activities**

- Baseball, softball, and rounders
- Bowling
- Cycling
- Dance
- Fantasy sports
- Freshwater and saltwater fishing, including fly fishing
- Gliding
- Hunting
- Martial Arts
- Sailing
- Shooting rifles, pistols, and shotguns
- Table tennis where the level of play isn't really hindered by advanced age
- Ultimate frisbee
- Walking

## **Toys of some sophistication**

- LEGO, including Brikwars, and Lego Mindstorms
- Radio control toys

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