6.10 - *koníčky* - hobbies

Let’s learn about hobbies in Czech. First, we need to learn the word for hoby, which is *koníček.*

| *některé typické koníčky* | *tohle je taky koníček* |
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**Interesting Etymology**

|  | You already know the word *kůň* (*jezdit na koni* - to ride a horse). Well, it turns out the word *koníček* is a little horse (diminutive form). While they are unrelated, I always remember the term hobby horse (pictured right) as a way to remember the word *koníček*. Interestingly, some Czechs treat koníček as animate. Obviously a hobby itself is not animate, but since it also means little horse, they will treat it as such – *mám zajímavého koníčka (MA) / mám zajímavý koníček* (MI) or *To jsou moji koníčci (MA)* or *To jsou moje koníčky* (MI). You can do it either way and be ok, but just be aware this is why the endings change on it. |
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One useful word to talk about hobbies (as well as tons of other stuff) is *různý* - ‘various’:

| *Já mám různé koníčky, například ježdění na skateboardu, videohry, kytara a skákání s padákem.* | |
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