Constituency tests

- Can you elide (remove) it?
  - 他喜歡喝奶茶，我也喜歡 ___ 。

Constituency tests

- Can you replace it with a verb, pronoun, or question word?
  - 他喜歡喝奶茶，我也是。
  - *He likes drinking tea, and I do too.*

  - 曉明不喜歡的老師喜歡喝奶茶 / 他喜歡喝奶茶。

  - 李四還沒讀的書 / 哪本書

Constituency tests

- Can you use it as the answer to a question?
  - 喝奶茶 is a constituent:
    - 他喜歡做什麼？ 喝奶茶
  - 喜歡喝 is not:
    - *** 他跟奶茶怎麼樣？ 喜歡喝!

  - *I want two of those apples.*
    - *What do you want? Two of those apples.*
    - ****How many apples do you want? Two of.*

Constituency tests

- Can you topicalize it?
  - 我定了明天去上海的票 / 明天去上海的票我定了。
  - 我定了明天去上海的票 / ***明天去 我定了上海的票。