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## Language focus 1

### Questions and short answers

1 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.



1 London / first / your / to / Is / visit / this ?

*Is this your first visit to London?*

2 your / is / going / How / job ?

3 here / When / you / did / get ?

4 all / family / is / your / How ?

5 do / do / you / How ?

6 journey / you / here / a / good / Did / have ?

7 things / you / How / are / with ?

8 staying / you / are / Where / while / here / you / are ?

2 Complete the questions in the conversation with the correct form of *be*, *have* or *do*.

A: What <sup>1</sup> 's your friend's name?

B: Masako.

A: <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that a Japanese name?

B: Yes, that's right.

A: Which part of Japan <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she come from?

B: Osaka.

A: Uh-huh ... so <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you speak Japanese?

B: No. 'Hello' and 'thank you', but that's it!

A: Oh, right. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she doing that English course with you last month?

B: No, her English is much better than mine.

A: Well, how <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you meet her, then?

B: At the bus stop – she lives near me.

A: I see. <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she got her own flat here?

B: Well, it's her parents' flat.

A: Oh. <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ they living here, too?

B: Some of the time, yes.

3a Match questions 1–10 with short answers a–j below.

1 Do you like our new teacher?

g

2 Have you got the time?

3 Is it cold outside today?

4 Did you have a good holiday?

5 Was there a lot of traffic on the roads this morning?

6 Are your neighbours nice?

7 Were you at the football match on Saturday?

8 Has your brother got a friend?

9 Does it take long to do this exercise?

10 Was the film good?

a Yes, they are.

b No, he hasn't.

c Yes, I did.

d Yes, I was.

e No, it wasn't.


f No, it isn't.

g ~~Yes, I do.~~

h No, it doesn't.

i Yes, there was.

j No, I haven't.

- b  1.1 Listen to the questions and answers. Notice that the auxiliaries *do/does, has/have, is/are* and *was/were* are weak in the questions, but strong in the short answers.

/ də /

A: Do you like our new teacher?

/ du: /

B: Yes, I do.

- c Listen again and repeat the questions and answers, paying attention to the strong and weak sounds.

4 Look at the answers. Write the question for each one.

1 What's your full name?

Mark Thomas Williams.

2 \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I do. I live with my family.

3 \_\_\_\_\_

They're looking at page 7.

4 \_\_\_\_\_

He lives in the centre of town, opposite the cinema.

5 \_\_\_\_\_

My holiday was great, thanks. We had lovely weather and food.

6 \_\_\_\_\_

I usually get up around 8 o'clock.

7 \_\_\_\_\_

No, she doesn't. My English teacher doesn't speak my language.

8 \_\_\_\_\_

I went to university in New York.

5 Find and correct the mistakes in questions 1–9.

1 How to pronounce 'b-u-s-i-n-e-s-s'?

How do you pronounce 'b-u-s-i-n-e-s-s'?

2 Can you writing 'customer' on the board, please?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 What's English word for this?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 Which page we are on?

\_\_\_\_\_

5 Have anybody got a spare pen?

\_\_\_\_\_

6 Can you say again that, please?

\_\_\_\_\_

7 What are tonight's homework?

\_\_\_\_\_

8 How you spell 'journey'?

\_\_\_\_\_

9 What means 'colleague'?

\_\_\_\_\_

## Pronunciation

### Sentence stress in questions

- 6a Underline the stressed words in the questions and short answers below.

1 Where exactly do you live?

2 How do you spell your name?

3 Have you got any brothers and sisters?

4 No, I haven't.

5 Which one would you like?


6 Does your mother speak English?

7 Yes, actually she does.

8 How was your weekend?

9 What's your date of birth?

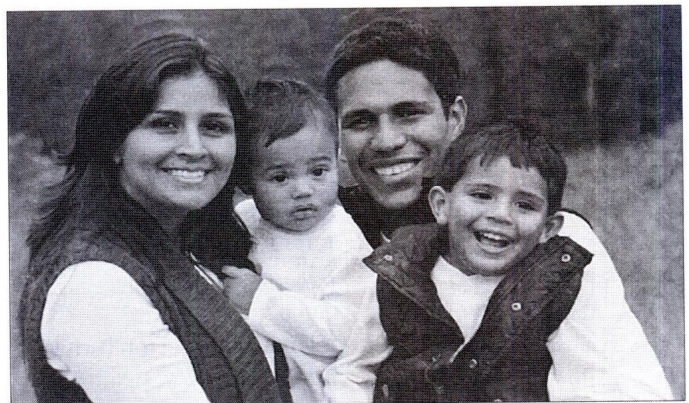
10 What time do you usually get up in the morning?

- b  1.2 Listen and check. Practise saying the questions.

## Vocabulary

### People around you

- 7 Add letters to complete the words.



1 n i e c e

2 p \_ r \_ \_ t

3 \_ \_ l \_ t \_ v \_

4 \_ t \_ a \_ g \_ \_

5 c \_ u \_ i \_

6 a \_ q \_ a \_ \_ t \_ n \_ \_

7 c \_ a \_ \_ m \_ t \_

8 \_ o \_ \_ e \_ g \_ e

9 s \_ e \_ m \_ t \_ e \_

10 n \_ i \_ h \_ \_ \_ r

# Language focus 2

## Present simple and Present continuous

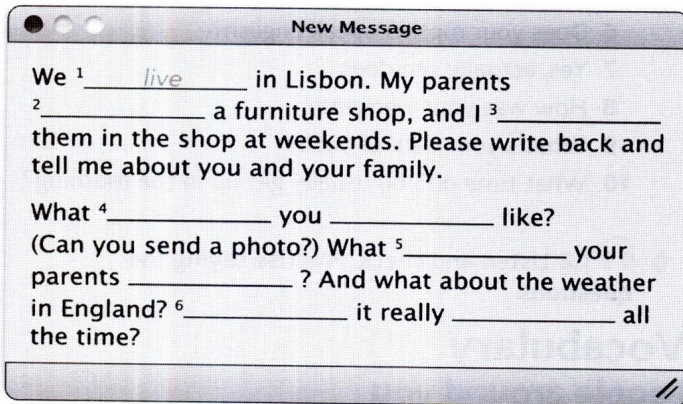
8a Read the three extracts A–C below. Which is from:

- 1 a detective story? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 an encyclopaedia? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 an email to a pen friend? \_\_\_\_\_

b Complete the extracts with the Present simple form of the verbs in the boxes.

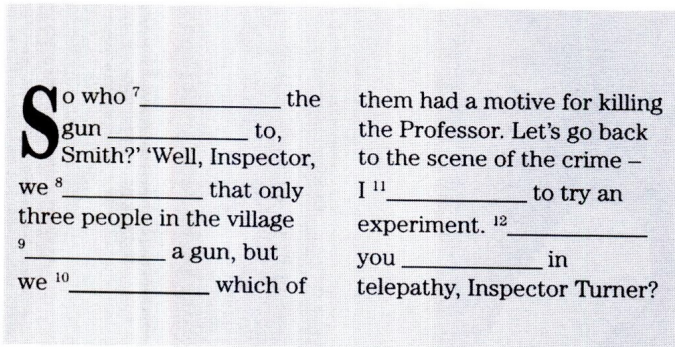
A

live do (x3) help look own rain



B

believe belong not know own want know



C

come get not drink have not have spend

### Koala



The koala is an Australian mammal. It <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ thick fur and round ears but it <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a tail, like a teddy bear. Koalas <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ most of the day sleeping. They <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ water, but they <sup>17</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ liquids from eating eucalyptus leaves. The word *koala* <sup>18</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ from the Aborigine word meaning 'no drink'.

9 Complete the sentences with the Present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

visit breathe clean die eat get (x2)  
have not get not set spend  
stay suffer talk use watch

'This is Sandra Wise with the news headlines: the president <sup>1</sup> is visiting the UK this week. He and his wife <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at London's famous Savoy Hotel. Today he <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a meeting with the British prime minister, and later in the week ...'

'... later on Ten News Tonight: why we as a nation <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ fat. A nutrition expert says that our children <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ too much junk food and <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ enough exercise, and as parents we <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a good example: we <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ more time than ever in the car or in front of the TV ...'

'... and finally, <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ your health \_\_\_\_\_ because of indoor pollution? <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in dangerous chemicals while you sit at home watching this programme? According to a report by the Clean Air Society, this is a serious problem for millions of people. The president of the society even claims that people <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ because of the air they breathe in their own homes.'



A: Hi, Robin, it's Kris. <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the news on TV?

B: No, actually I <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the kitchen! I <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ready for Sammy's party tomorrow.

A: <sup>15</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ a cleaner with chemicals in it?


B: Well, yes, I suppose. Kris, what <sup>16</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ about?

A: Oh, it's just that there was an item about indoor pollution, and ...

## 10 Complete the conversation with the Present simple or continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- A:** How can I help you, Mr Daniels?  
**B:** Well, I started having bad headaches a couple of weeks ago and they <sup>1</sup> 're getting (get) worse. I can't sleep, I'm tired all the time, and the worst thing is my hair <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) grey and I'm only 31!  
**A:** I see. Let me ask you some questions.  
<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you smoke)?  
**B:** No, I gave up a month ago.  
**A:** Right. I see you're a salesman. How many hours a week <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you work)?  
**B:** Well, I normally <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (do) eight hours a day, but at the moment I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at least ten hours and some Saturdays.  
**A:** That is a lot. How <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you relax)?  
**B:** Well, I usually <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in front of the TV with a pizza and a few drinks.  
**A:** Hmm. <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you do) any exercise at the moment?  
**B:** Not really, but I'm losing a lot of weight and I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not know) why.  
**A:** I think you <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (suffer) from stress. I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (want) you to eat a more varied diet and to do some exercise. Come back and see me in four weeks and I'll check you again.

## Listen and read Ordinary heroes

- 11a**  **1.3** A TV station is doing some research for a programme about ordinary people who are considered 'heroes' by people around them. Listen and read the emails and answer the questions.

Whose hero is:

- 1 a stranger? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 a relative? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 a colleague? \_\_\_\_\_

- b** Listen and read again and answer the questions.

Who:

- 1 is very brave? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 nearly left her job? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 nearly lost a lot of money? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 was terrified of her boss? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 is in a lot of pain? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 told his boss what he thought of him? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 is more generous than many adults? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 wants to contact his/her hero? \_\_\_\_\_

New Message

My 'hero' at the moment is Ricky.

We work together. I was thinking of leaving the place where I work because of our horrible new boss. He's always in a bad mood and he never has a good word to say to anyone. He also picks on young female members of staff: there's a girl called Kimberley who's terrified of him. Or at least she was. When Ricky joined us, everything changed. First he covered for me when I was late back from lunch by telling the boss that I was downstairs in the photocopying room.

Then a couple of days later, the boss was standing at Kimberley's desk, shouting at her, telling her she was lazy and would have to stay late to finish her work ... Anyway, Ricky marched straight up to him and told him he was a pathetic coward for talking to his staff like that. Well, the boss was stunned to silence - he just walked off without saying another word and he's left us alone since then.

**Charlotte, Bristol**

New Message

I'm writing to tell you about my niece, Mary.

She's only seven and she's in hospital at the moment. She was in a bad car accident two weeks ago and she broke both her legs. She's had one operation and now she's waiting for another, then she'll have to be in a wheelchair for quite a while. Anyway, I am constantly amazed by this little girl's courage: she never cries when she has an injection, and very rarely complains about the considerable pain that she must be in.

When I go in to visit her, she always has a smile for me, and last time I went she was comforting another girl who was upset because her parents couldn't come and visit her. I've also noticed that she shares all the chocolates and toys that people have given her with the other children in her ward. I don't know how many adults would be as generous as that!

**Dan, Newcastle**

New Message

I'm hoping that by writing to you, I might be able to get in touch with my 'hero' again.

I don't know him - I don't even know his name - but what he did was unbelievably kind and honest. I went shopping at my local supermarket last Friday, and I met an old friend at the checkout desk. We chatted for a while, then I loaded up the car and came home.

It was only then that I realised I'd lost my purse: I thought maybe I'd dropped it in the car park. I started to panic when I also remembered that I had quite a lot of money in it. Then someone knocked at the door and it was a complete stranger, holding out my purse! He said he was in the queue behind me at the supermarket checkout and that's where he found my purse. He got my address from my driving licence. I was so grateful, but I didn't know what to say.

Anyway, he just walked off, and I haven't been able to thank him properly.

**Annette, Leeds**

# Vocabulary

## Everyday activities

12 Match questions 1–10 with answers a–j. Then complete the sentences with the words/phrases in the box.

go to the gym    looking after children    commuting  
 playing video games    texting  
 going on social networking sites    doing paperwork  
 going shopping    tidying up    doing nothing

- 1 Have you lost weight? You look amazing!
- 2 Do you enjoy being a teacher?
- 3 I'm really nervous about the exam next week.
- 4 We have a cleaner who comes in once a week.
- 5 I haven't seen Luc and Sophie for weeks, have you?
- 6 What do you like doing at the weekend?
- 7 Why was your computer so expensive?
- 8 Are you happy you moved to the countryside?
- 9 Oh no, my phone bill is huge!
- 10 Are you looking forward to your holiday?

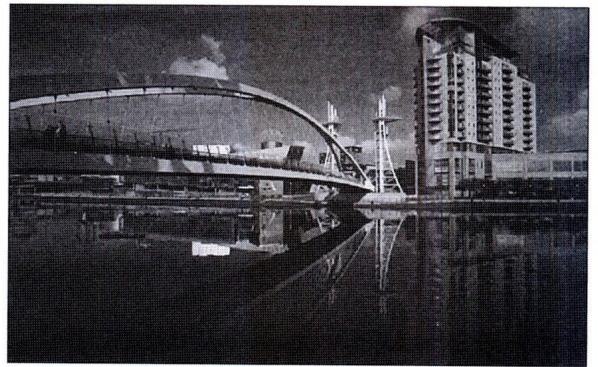
- a I wish we had someone like that. I hate \_\_\_\_\_!
- b Oh yes, it's much quieter here, but I do spend a lot of time \_\_\_\_\_ to work.
- c Thanks! I go to the gym three times a week.
- d I love \_\_\_\_\_ with my friends and buying new clothes.
- e Oh yes. Three weeks of lying on the beach and \_\_\_\_\_ . I can't wait!
- f If you spend less time \_\_\_\_\_ and more time studying, I'm sure you'll be fine.
- g You shouldn't do so much \_\_\_\_\_ . It's cheaper and you can say more by calling.
- h It needs to be powerful because I like \_\_\_\_\_ on it.
- i Well, I love being in the classroom but I don't like all the administration – I hate \_\_\_\_\_ .
- j No, now that they're parents they spend most of their time \_\_\_\_\_ .

# Writing

## An informal email

13a Read Grace's reply to an email from Katarina. In which paragraph does she do the following?

- a Write about her own news. 2
- b Respond to Katarina's news. \_\_\_\_\_
- c Respond to Katarina's request. \_\_\_\_\_



### Re: A message from Katarina

Hi Katarina!

<sup>1</sup>What a lovely surprise to get your message! Of course I remember you – how could I forget? It was great to hear all your news. You look great in your photos, you haven't changed a bit. I loved looking at them and remembering all the times we had together. I'm pleased that you're happy in Bratislava, and Hendrik looks really nice, too. You must tell me all about him! Your job sounds really interesting, I always knew you would end up doing something exciting. I miss our time at university, too. It was such fun!

<sup>2</sup>As for my news, well, I'm also very busy these days. I'm still in Manchester and I'm working as an English teacher in a private language school. The job's stressful, but I really love it as I meet people from all over the world. I'm married now to a guy I met at work called Jack. We've got a little girl called Charlotte (but everyone calls her Charlie), who is lovely but a bit naughty at times! It's funny that you asked about Tom. He finished his studies, then decided he didn't want to be a lawyer and went travelling round the world! I think he's in Thailand at the moment, but we don't hear from him very often. As for my parents, mum retired a few years ago and dad retired last year, and now they spend a lot of time in the garden. They both seem very happy.

<sup>3</sup>It was great to hear that you're coming to Manchester next week. It would be fantastic to see you again, and I can't wait to meet Hendrik! I want you to meet Jack and Charlie too, and we can catch up on all our news. Let me know which days you are going to be here and we can plan something special.

Great to hear from you.  
 Take care, and lots of love,

Grace