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Vocabulary

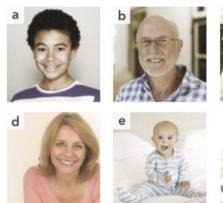
Ages and stages of life

1 Work with a partner. Match these words to the photos. What ages go with each stage of life?

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baby • child • middle-aged (man/woman) senior citizen • teenager • young adult

e baby, 0 to 3 approximately



2 Put the stages of life in order. Begin with birth.

adolescence • birth • childhood death • middle age • old age

3 🔘 01 Listen, check and repeat.

The family

4 Divide these words into three lists as below.

aunt • brother-in-law • cousin • daughter grandfather • grandson • husband • nephew niece • stepfather • uncle • wife

Male	Female	Male or Female
husband	daughter	
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5 Match the words in 4 with these descriptions.

- 1 the man that a woman is married to husband
- 2 the brother of one of your parents
- **3** your mother's new husband in a second or later marriage
- 4 a daughter of your brother or sister
- 5 the son of one of your children
- 6 the brother of your husband or wife
- SPEAKING Work with a partner. Take it in turns to define the other words in 4. Can your partner say the family member?

It's the son of your brother or sister.

Nephew.

Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

born • divorced • one-parent only child • partner • single

- 1 If you are , you aren't married.
- 2 An _____ doesn't have brothers or sisters.
- **3** The word describes your husband, wife, or the person that you live with.
- 4 If you are married and then you end the marriage, you are _____.
- **5** In ______ families only the father or the mother lives with the children.
- 6 Approximately 800,000 babies are every year in the UK.

8 LISTENING (2) 02 Listen to three people talking about their families. Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 Joshua is <u>a child/a teenager</u>. He has a <u>big/small</u> family.
- 2 Olivia is <u>a child/a teenager</u>. She has got a <u>big/small</u> family. She lives with her <u>father/grandfather</u>. She spends a lot of time with her <u>aunt/cousin</u>.
- **3** Jessica is a senior citizen. She's got <u>four/twelve</u> grandchildren. She is <u>married/divorced</u>.
- **SPEAKING** Work with a partner. Tell them about your family using words from this page.

Reading

1 Work with a partner. What types of things do teenagers argue about with their parents? Make a list.

clothes, music ...

2 Read this post on a website that helps teenagers with problems. Does Zoe talk about any of the things in your list in 1?



- Work with a partner. Think of good advice to give Zoe.
- 4 Now read advice from an expert. Do they mention any of your ideas in 3?



A You want your parents to treat you with respect. But show them respect, too. You say you have a lot to do but I'm sure your mother is also busy. You don't want to tidy your bedroom when you're doing your homework. So, decide on a time that is convenient for you. Tell your mum what time that is. Then make sure you do it! As for the music, parents and teenagers always argue about music. Speak to your mum calmly. Explain that it helps you to study. But keep it to a reasonable volume or use headphones. And finally, your bedroom. Maybe your parents don't realise that you're not a little child any more. Explain why you think it's important to have a private space. Maybe you're spending a lot of time in your bedroom and your parents don't see you or get a chance to speak to you. When you talk to parents it makes a big difference. Tell them what's happening in your life.

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EXAM SUCCESS

Here is a multiple-choice reading activity. In this type of exercise you have three or four options. You choose the option that is best according to the information in the text. If you aren't sure of the correct answer, what can you do?

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5 Read the text again and choose the best answers.

- 1 Zoe is angry with her mum because she says her mum doesn't ...
 - **a** tidy Zoe's bedroom.
 - **b** realise how busy Zoe is.
 - c want Zoe to do her homework.
- **2** Zoe's mum has a problem with Zoe's music because she ...
 - a doesn't think it helps Zoe concentrate.
 - **b** doesn't like the style of music.
 - c can't do her work with loud music.
- 3 The expert thinks that Zoe's mum ...
 - **a** is right to tell Zoe to tidy her room.
 - **b** is right to stop Zoe in the middle of her homework.
 - **c** is right to decide what time Zoe should clean her room.
- 4 The expert thinks that Zoe can do what she likes with her music ...
 - a because parents are never happy with their children's music.
 - **b** if she talks to them about it.
 - c within certain limits.
- 5 The expert says that ...
 - **a** it's normal for Zoe's parents to enter her bedroom without knocking.
 - **b** maybe Zoe's parents want her to communicate with them more.
 - c Zoe's parents don't want her to have a private space because she's too young.

O[®]CRITICAL THINKING

Think! Then compare ideas with your class.

- What do you think is good advice for when you have disagreements with your parents?
- 7 What do the <u>underlined</u> words in the text mean? Guess and then check in your dictionary.

8 SPEAKING What about you?

Do you ever argue with your parents? What about?

Grammar in context



Flipped classroom: watch the grammar presentation video.



Present simple and present continuous

la Look at these sentences. Which sentences are in the present simple and which are in the present continuous?

- 1 I'm writing to you because of my problems at home.
- 2 My mum and dad never knock before coming into my bedroom!
- 3 Parents and teenagers always argue about music.
- 4 I don't know what to do.

1b Match the sentences in 1a with the explanation of their uses in a-d.

- **a** With certain verbs like love, like, hate, think, believe, know, understand, want, need.
- **b** For regular or routine actions.
- c For things that are always or generally true.
- **d** For actions that are happening now or temporary actions.

1c Complete the sentences with the correct form of study. Present simple Affirmative: He bistory. Negative: He physics. Question: he English? Present continuous Affirmative: She English now. Negative: She maths now. Question: she French? She

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2 Look at the picture. Write sentences about what the different members of the family are doing or not doing. Use the present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

cry • drink • laugh • listen • play • read • sit • sleep • stand • talk • watch

The daughter is talking on the phone.

3 Complete the dialogue about the picture using the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs given.

Molly:	Hi, Julia. What (a) you
	(do)? Are you at home?
Julia:	Yes. I never (b)
	Wednesdays.
Molly:	(c) you (watch)
	TV?

Julia: No, right now my mum (d) (watch) her favourite series. She always (e) (watch) it on Wednesdays.

Molly: What's that sound? (f)

Julia: Yeah. It's my baby cousin. Molly: (g) she always (cry) like that?! Julia: No, she (h) (i) you _____ (know) what my dad (j) (do) at the moment? Molly: No, I (k) Julia: He (I) (listen) to loud music because he (m) (hate) the sound of crying! And the amazing thing is that now my grandfather (n) (sleep). He usually (o) (sleep) in the afternoon. I don't know how he's doing it!





Developing vocabulary

4 Find these words and phrases in the dialogue in3. Which go with the present simple and which go with the present continuous?

7 usually

- 1 at the moment 5 now
- 2 never 6 right now
- 3 normally
- 4 on Wednesdays

at the moment = present continuous

5 Complete the sentences with the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in the box.

help • lie • need • not understand • shout • work

- 1 I can't come out at the moment because I my sister with her homework.
- 2 Why you ? My grandfather can hear you.
- **3** My cousin always in a restaurant on Saturday afternoons.
- 4 Can you say that again? I
- 5 Can I help you, Dad? you anything?
- **6** My sister down right now because she doesn't feel well.

6 Write questions for these answers.

- 1 What do you do on Fridays? I play basketball on Fridays.
- 2

My mum is working at the moment.

- 3
 - My uncle and aunt live in Liverpool.
- 4

No, my cousin isn't studying at university.

- 5
- My grandparents <u>go for a walk</u> in the mornings. **6**

My family and I usually <u>go to the cinema</u> at the weekend.

7 SPEAKING Use the questions in 6 to interview your partner. When you finish, think of similar questions to ask.

What do you do on Fridays? I go out with my friends.

Noun suffixes -ment, -ion, -ence

1 Look at these words from the text on page 7.

argu**ment** • concentration • difference

The parts of the word in **bold** are suffixes. Suffixes change the type of word, e.g. from an adjective or a verb to a noun.

2 Complete the words in the table and then use your dictionary to check the words.

-ment	
Verb	Noun
1 argue	argument
move	2
improve	3
4	retirement
-ion	
Verb	Noun
concentrate	5
6	information
describe	7
8	discussion
-ence	
Adjective	Noun
9	difference
10	adolescence
11	independence
confident	12

3a Choose the correct alternative.

- 1 How can you *improve/improvement* your English this year?
- 2 Do you think you are an <u>independent/</u> independence learner?
- **3** Have you got a lot of <u>confident/confidence</u> when you speak in English?
- **4** Are there many <u>different/differences</u> between English and your language?
- 5 Do you like having *discuss/discussions* in English?
- **3b SPEAKING** Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions in 3a.

Contributing to FAMILY LI

LIFE SKILLS OBJECTIVES

KEY CONCEPTS



- To think about rights and responsibilities in a family.
- To learn about different ways of helping with family life.
- To decide positive steps to take to contribute to family life.

right, rights [n]: We all have a right to express our opinions. responsibility, responsibilities [n]: When you have a pet, you must take responsibility for what it does. respect [v]: Children need to respect their parents and grandparents. independent [adj]: She's very independent. She is able to make her own decisions.

1a SPEAKING Work with a partner. Ask and answer these questions.

- 1 Who prepares your school bag each morning?
- 2 Who makes your dinner?
- 3 Who buys the food you have for dinner?
- 4 Who puts clean towels in the bathroom?
- 5 Who cleans the table after you eat?
- 6 Who empties the rubbish bin in your bedroom?
- 7 Who provides the money if you need some to go out?



1b Count how many times your answer was 'I do' in 1a.

2 **READING** Read the essay. Choose the best title.

- a Teenagers have rights AND responsibilities.
- **b** Teenagers have the power.
- c Wait until you are an adult.

We all have rights. Sometimes we feel angry if people don't respect our rights. Teenagers usually feel strongly that they have a right to say what they think. Or they have a right to choose what they do in their free time. Maybe they feel that they have a strong right to privacy.

These rights are all important. They are part of becoming an independent adult. But, when we are changing from a child into an adult, it is easy to forget that there are two sides to this. We have rights, but we also have responsibilities at home. Can we demand our independence if other people do the shopping for us, make our meals, clean the bathroom and give us pocket money to go out?

As we get older, we feel we have more rights. And we want others to respect our rights. But to become an independent adult we need to accept our own responsibilities and begin to do things for ourselves. After all, parents have rights, too.

- **3** SPEAKING Answer these questions.
 - 1 Do you agree with the examples of rights in the first paragraph? Why/Why not?
 - 2 What other rights do you think teenagers have at home? Make a list.
 - **3** Look at the question at the end of the second paragraph. What is your answer to this question? Explain.
 - 4 What rights and responsibilities do you think parents have?



LISTENING (2) 03 Three teenagers talk about their special responsibilities. Watch the video or listen and write down each person's special responsibility.

Grace	
Louis	
Jessica	

- 5 3 Watch or listen again and write the name of the person who says these things.
 - 1 I'm an only child.
 - 2 I chose to take on my responsibility.
 - 3 I have a new opinion about my mum.
 - 4 I can do more in my free time because of my responsibility.
 - **5** I can now have something I want.
 - 6 I have to help because my mum is busy studying.

6a Work with a partner. Look at the list of jobs around the house. Check that you understand the words in the list. Use a dictionary if necessary.

	A Who usu this in yo	ally does our house?	B How often do you do this?
1	clean the kitchen		
2	clean the bathroom		
3	cook		
4	do the shopping		
5	do the washing		
6	lay the table		
7	make your bed		
8	take the rubbish out		
9	tidy your bedroom		
10	wash the dishes		

6b SPEAKING Interview your partner to find out who usually does these jobs in their house.

Who usually cleans the kitchen in your house?

6c SPEAKING Now find out how often your partner does these jobs (every day, once/twice/three times a week, at the weekends, never).

How often do you clean the kitchen?

LIFE TASK

You want to contribute more to your family life. Follow this plan:

- 1 Work in a small group. Apart from the list of jobs in 6 and the ideas in the videos, make a list of any other ideas, big or small, to help at home.
- 2 Individually, make a list of things that you think you could do to make a positive contribution to your family life.
- 3 Make a 'Helping out' timetable in your notebook to plan when you can do these things. Use your school timetable to help.
- **4** Compare and comment on your timetables.
- 5 Tell your family about your plans!

Listening



- SPEAKING Work with a partner. Describe the photos.
- 2 LISTENING (2) 04 Listen to a radio programme about family dinners. Match the people with their situations.

1	Mike	3	Sally	5	Jennifer	
2	Chris	4	Alice	6	Daniel	

- A eats with the family just once a week
- **B** eats with the family but they don't talk
- **C** makes dinner for the family every day
- **D** never arrives home in time for dinner
- E eats and talks with the family every day
- **F** usually eats with the family but isn't eating with them today
- **G** always eats alone because their parents work
- H has to order pizza because nobody has time to cook

3 LISTENING O 04 Answer these questions. Listen again if necessary.

- 1 How many hours a week does Mike work?
- 2 Where does he go in his job?
- 3 What does Chris usually eat?
- 4 When does Sally eat?
- **5** How many children and grandchildren does Alice have?
- 6 When does Alice eat with her family?
- 7 Where are Jennifer's parents tonight?
- 8 What's the problem with Daniel's family dinners?

4 SPEAKING What about you?

Do you think it's important to eat with your family? Why/Why not?

Grammar in context

Articles

- 1 Look at these sentences and then complete rules 1–5 with *a/an*, the or no article.
 - **a** I think family dinners are great.
 - **b** Family dinners are **an** important moment for us.
 - **c** The dinner I'm eating today isn't good.
 - **d** The government talks a lot about family dinners.
 - e l'm a computer technician.
 - 1 We use <u>no article</u> when we talk about things in general.
 - 2 We use to talk about a singular, countable person or thing for the first time, or to say that the person or thing is one of a number of things or people.
 - **3** We use ______ to talk about a specific person or thing or a person or thing mentioned before.
 - **4** We use _____ to talk about someone or something that is unique.
 - 5 We use to say what somebody's profession is.
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2a PRONUNCIATION (2) 05 Listen to how we pronounce the in List A and List B below. What is the difference in pronunciation? Why is this?

List A: the problem the dinner the government the weekend

List B: the end the important thing the evening the afternoon

2b () 05 Listen again and repeat.

3 Complete the sentences with the if necessary.

- 1 Today on programme we're talking about family dinners.
- **2** I'm going to ______ fridge to see if there's anything to eat.
- **3** I think communication is essential.
- 4 In my house breakfast isn't an important meal.
- 5 Adults can't always arrive on time because of work.
- 6 I don't like food at school.
- 7 In films they often show
 - families eating together.

Unit 1





4 Read the text and choose the correct alternative.

(a) A/The report by the National Literacy Trust in the UK says that talking at home during meals can help (b) the/- children to be more confident and to communicate well. (c) A/The report says that 87% of (d) the/- young people sit down with their family at mealtimes. But 7.1% of those young people never or rarely talk to their family while they are eating. (e) A/An interesting thing the Literacy Trust discovered is that talking at mealtimes makes you more confident about speaking in (f) the/- class discussions or in front of your classmates. Most young people who talk at mealtimes think that (g) the/- good communication skills are important for finding (h) <u>a/the</u> good job. (i) <u>A/The</u> British Government is interested in this report because they want to improve children's speaking and listening skills. And (j) the/- families can help to do this just by talking at dinnertime.

5 Find and correct a mistake with articles in each sentence.

- 1 I'm a vegetarian. I never eat the meat.
- 2 My mum is the doctor in a big hospital.
- 3 Could you pass me potatoes?
- 4 I had a cat but a cat disappeared last month.
- 5 He's a student at University of Edinburgh.
- 6 She's got a brother and the sister.
- 7 I haven't got a watch can you tell me a time?

- 6a Look at these questions. Add *a*, *an*, the or if no article is necessary.
 - 1 Do you think family dinners are important?
 - 2 Are family dinners important part of life in your country?
 - 3 Do you think _____ children and _____ parents talk a lot in your country?
 - 4 Do you talk about important things when you have dinner?
 - 5 Do you listen to music at dinnertime?
 - **6** Do you think food you eat makes a difference to your school marks?
 - 7 Do you like food at your school?



6b SPEAKING Interview your partner using the correct questions in 6a.

Do you think family dinners are important?

Yes, I do. You can talk and find out how everybody is.

Asking for personal information

1 Complete with information about you and your brothers, sisters or best friend.

Brothers/sisters/best friend: Age: What they do: How often you see them: What you usually do on Saturdays: What you usually do on Sundays: Your likes/dislikes:

2 SPEAKING Look at these four people and their personal information files. Tell your partner which people are similar to you. Explain why.

Oliver is similar to me because he's got one brother and he does sport on Sundays.

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Liam	 one brother, one sister brother at university, sister works goes out with friends on Saturdays plays tennis on Sundays
Oliver	 no brothers or sisters best friend studies at school goes out with friends on Saturdays does sport on Sundays
Emma	 one brother brother at school watches films on Saturdays doesn't like sport
Phillipa	 one sister sister lives in the US plays tennis on Saturdays plays computer games on Sundays

- **3 LISTENING ()** 06 Listen to two teenagers meeting for the first time. Look at the information in 2. Which two people are talking?
- 4 Work with a partner. Complete the dialogue with the correct questions. Look at the Speaking bank for help.
 - A: (a)
 B: Yes, I've got one brother.
 A: Me too. (b)
 B: He's 22.
 - D: neszz.
 - A: (c)
 - B: No, he doesn't. He's at university in Manchester.

- A: (d)
- **B:** About once a month, when he comes home for the weekend.
- A: That's good! I see my brother every day because he's only 14. (e)
- B: I usually go out with my friends on Saturdays and we sometimes play football on Sundays.
 (f)
- A: My brother and I often go to the cinema on Saturdays. But I never play football because I don't like sport.

🗭 SPEAKING BANK

Useful questions to ask for personal information

- Have you got any brothers or sisters?
- What do you do at the weekend/in the evenings/ on Wednesdays?
- What about you?
- Do you like …?
- What do you think of ...?
- How often do you ...?
- **5a PRONUNCIATION ()** 07 Which questions in the dialogue go with diagram A? Which go with diagram B? Listen again and check.



- **5b O** 07 Listen and repeat the questions.
- **6 SPEAKING** Practise the completed dialogue in 4 with your partner. Pay special attention to the correct intonation in questions.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT I

7a SPEAKING Work with a partner. Do this role-play using the dialogue in 4 and the Speaking bank to help you.

You meet an English boy/girl at a summer camp.

- Find out if he/she has brothers or sisters.
- Tell him/her about your family.
- Find out what he/she does at the weekend.
- Tell him/her what you do in your free time.

7b SPEAKING Change partners and repeat.

✓ EXAM SUCCESS

In information role-plays, how can you keep the conversation going?

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Developing writing

An informal email e pal. com HOME PALS COMMUNITY 0 Category Language - English Main aim Find an international e-pal I speak English and a little Spanish My interests Music, books, travel Hi! I'm from Dublin. I've got Message Ø two brothers, two sisters and two pets; a cat and a dog! I Name Alanna love travelling and discovering My country Ireland new countries, new music and new books. If you want 15 My age to practise your English and 0 make new friends, write to me.

- 1 Look at this advert from a teenager called Alanna. What does Alanna want? Would you be interested in contacting her? Why/Why not?
- 2 Read this reply to Alanna's advert. Do you think this person is a good e-pal for Alanna? Why/Why not?



Hi Alanna!

- 1 I'm Isabel. I'm from Alicante in Spain. Let me tell you about myself.
- 2 I'm from quite a big family. I've got two brothers and a sister. My sister and I are almost the same age and we go everywhere together. My father is a teacher and my mother works in a hospital. My dad teaches at my school. That's often a good thing, but sometimes it can be really bad ^(c).
- **3** I love listening to all types of music, but especially pop and rock. My favourite group is Imagine Dragons. Do you know them? Right now I'm listening to their latest album.
- **4** English is my favourite subject at school. This year I'm doing extra classes and I also read books in English. At the moment I'm reading a book by John Green. Do you know him?
- **5** Anyway, that's all for now. Write back soon if you'd like to be my e-pal.

Best wishes Isabel 😊 3 Look again at the email in 2 and complete the information in the Writing bank.

WRITING BANK

Useful words and expressions in informal emails

- To begin an informal email we usually use Dear (Alanna) or just Hi.
- We use contractions like I'm or _____
- We can use emoticons like ⁽¹⁾ or
- We can use the word ______ to change the subject.
- To finish an informal email we can use:

That's for now, Bye for now!, Write soon, All the best or Best

- ------
- 4 Match the paragraphs in Isabel's email with their content.
 - Paragraph 1 Paragraph 2 Paragraph 3 Paragraph 4 Paragraph 5
- favourite subject at school main interest or hobbybasic personal information asking for a reply family

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

5 Look at the task and write an email. Use Isabel's email and the Writing bank to help you. Follow the paragraph plan in 4.

Write an email with information about yourself to a new e-pal. Tell your e-pal:

- basic personal information
- information about your family
- information about your main hobby
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