

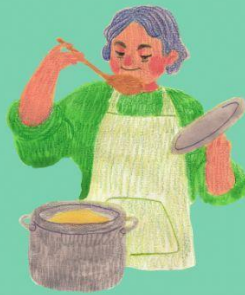
Alzheimer's struck my grandma

INSTRUCTIONS: Read the text and complete the statements below.



When my grandma was 60 years old, she started presenting signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's. She used to lock every door when she left anywhere, but suddenly she forgot to do it. When her grandchildren would come, she would confuse their names and call them as if they were someone else.

At first, we thought that it was because of age, but we took her to a neurological consult and the doctor told us the news. Ever since, we had to get used to doing many things differently for her.



My parents took her to live with us. Before, grandma was used to cooking her own food but we are afraid she might hurt herself by accident, so I help her do it. I am still getting used to her screaming when I burn something by accident.

My mom isn't used to the neighbors looking at grandma. She says it is disrespectful and I think so as well. They will never get used to meeting people with different needs than theirs.

It is really sad looking at grandma because she sometimes does not recognize herself. She wasn't used to being someone independent, but now she needs our help. I will never get used to facing this difficult situation.



Even though she forgets things most of the time, she can remember a few things. She tells us how she used to live with grandpa (before he died) and how they would go on incredible adventures together.

Write (T) for true and (F) for false.

1. Grandma used to lock every door before she went out. -----
2. Grandma wouldn't confuse her grandchildren's names. -----
3. Grandma still cooks her own food without help. -----
4. Neighbors are really friendly to grandma. -----
5. Grandma wasn't used to being independent before. -----
6. Grandpa is not longer alive. -----
7. Grandma and grandpa used to go on adventures together. -----

