

UNIT / 01: RELATIONSHIPS

SPEAKING

IN THIS UNIT YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO

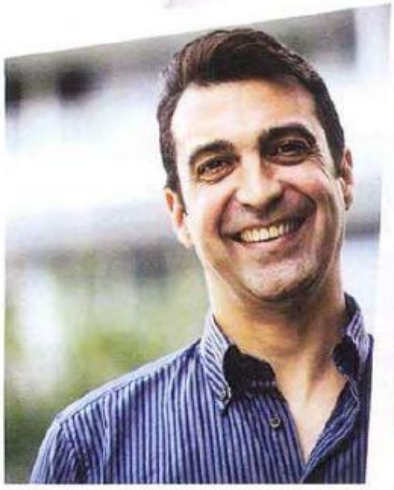
- use simple adjective–noun collocations relating to family
- answer simple questions about your family
- give full answers to Part 1 questions.

LEAD-IN

01 **Talk to a partner about these members of your family for 20 seconds each. Try to keep talking for the full 20 seconds.**

father	mother	brother	sister	grandmother	grandfather









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USING ADJECTIVES AND NOUNS TO DESCRIBE YOUR FAMILY

02 Listen to Hoi Chin talking about her family and read the first part of what she says. Which collocations does she use to describe her family?

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Examiner Let's talk about family. So, tell me about your family.

Hoi Chin My family? Well, my family isn't a large family. It's quite a small family, in fact – and quite a typical family for my country. Just my parents, my older brother and me. So, I'm the baby of the family! I think we're a close, happy family. We do a lot of things together, particularly preparing food – and eating it of course!

03 Which adjective in the box can you NOT use in this sentence?

We are a _____ family.

best	close	happy
large	small	typical

With a partner, describe your family using the collocations in the box.

Many words in English often 'go together' with other words. This is called 'collocation'. For example, we say *a **fast** car*, but we **don't** say *a **quick** car*.

TIP 02

It is a good idea to use collocations in the Speaking test. This shows the examiner that you have a good vocabulary.

TIP 03

It is a good idea to make a list of useful words and add to the list as you meet new words when you read and listen, and also to write down words which go together. You may want to group words under headings to help you remember them.

GRAMMAR FOCUS: ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY *SOMETIMES, OFTEN, NEVER, RARELY AND ALWAYS*

04 Listen to a candidate talking about the things he does with his family. Answer the questions.

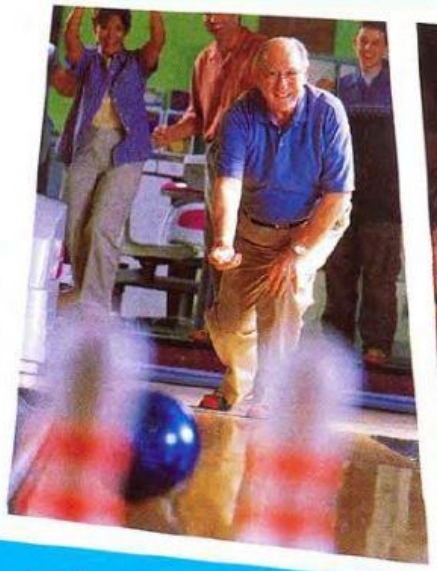
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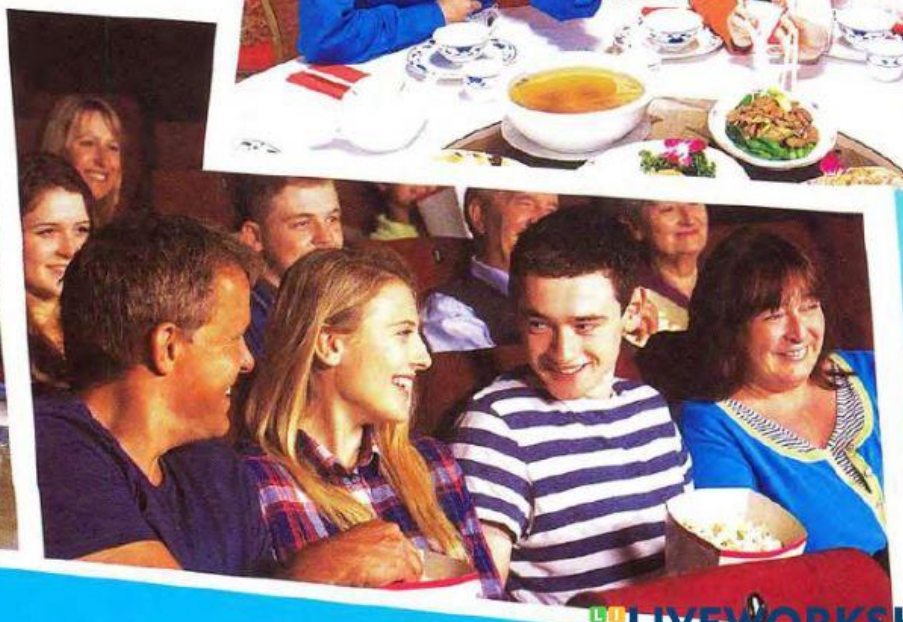
1 How often does he go out with his family?
2 What days of the week does he go out with his family?
3 Where do they often go?
4 What do they usually do when they get to the park?
5 Who sometimes comes with them?

05 With a partner, use the questions above to discuss how often you do these things with your family.

eat out	go bowling	go to the cinema







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ANSWERING PART 1 QUESTIONS

06 **Look at questions a–c below on the topic of family. Which question:**

1 asks you about your likes and dislikes?
2 asks you about your personal preferences?
3 asks you how regularly you do something?
4 asks you to talk about who you are like in your family?

a Are you more similar to your mother or your father?
b How often do you go out with your family?
c What do you enjoy doing with your family?
d Do you prefer spending time with your family or your friends?

Now, ask and answer these questions with a partner.

In Part 1 of the Speaking test the examiner will ask you a few questions about yourself, for example about your family, your likes and dislikes, where you live.

TIP 06

It is important to listen carefully to the questions that the examiner uses. Make sure you answer the question that is asked.



07 **Listen again to Hoi Chin talking about her family and giving more information. Complete the notes below.**

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- Her parents and 1 _____ older _____ brother
- They are a 2 _____, happy family.
- They like preparing food and 3 _____ it.
- Her father is a better 4 _____ than her mother.
- Her brother is getting 5 _____ next year.
- Hoi Chin would like to have a 6 _____ or 7 _____ one day.

Tell your partner what you remember about Hoi Chin's family. Is your family similar or very different to hers?

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EXTENDING YOUR ANSWERS IN SPEAKING PART 1

08 **Listen to three students answering the question *Who are you most similar to in your family?***

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1 Which student's answer was too short?
2 Which student didn't answer the question?
3 Which student's answer was the best?

You can add information to your answer by adding a reason, extra details or combining information:

*I don't see my grandparents very often **because** they live in the north of the country.*
*I don't see my family very often **but** I miss them very much.*
*I have a twin brother, **so** I am very close to him.*
*I look very much like my father, **although** we have very different personalities.*

09 **Use one of the words in the box to help you complete the sentences with ideas of your own. Try to use a different word from the box in each sentence.**

also	and	because	but	so	even though

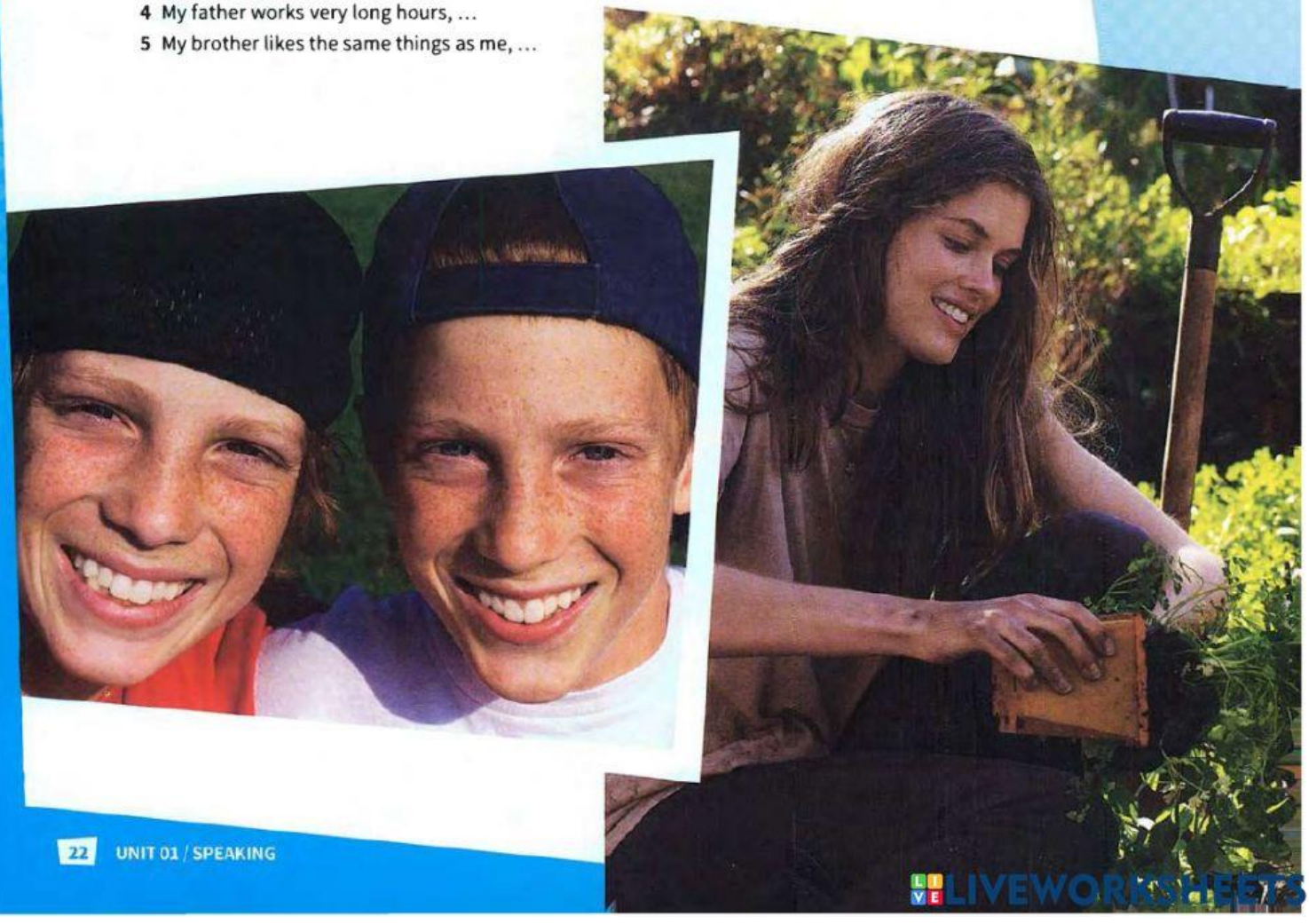
1 I visit my parents every weekend …
2 We have a large family …
3 My sister is getting married next year …
4 My father works very long hours, …
5 My brother likes the same things as me, …

TIP 08

In Speaking Part 1:
- keep to the topic
- extend your answers
- don't speak too much
- do not try to memorise answers to questions.

TIP 08

In Part 1 you need to give full answers to the questions, but don't talk for too long. Three sentences is plenty. You have chances to speak for longer in Parts 2 and 3.



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PRONUNCIATION

10 **What is the third person singular form of the words in the box?**

Example: *have – has She **has** a small family.*

ask	choose	enjoy	keep	play	talk	want	watch

13 **Listen to the words and group them under /z/, /s/ or /ɪz/ according to how the end is pronounced.**

/s/ _____

/z/ _____

/ɪz/ _____

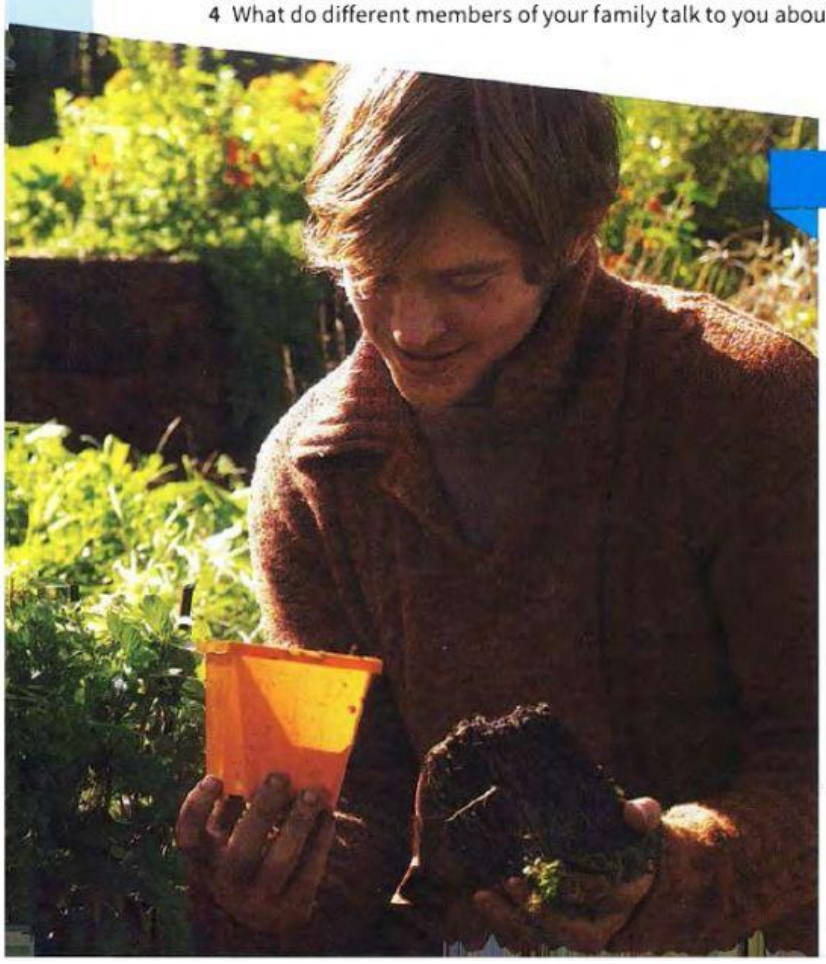
11 **Listen and repeat the sentences. Be careful of the pronunciation of verbs with 's' endings.**

14 *Is there anyone in your family who annoys you sometimes?*

- My father watches football on TV and shouts a lot.
- My brother plays on the computer all the time.
- My mother keeps telling me to tidy my room.

12 **With a partner, ask and answer the following questions.**

1 What activities do different members of your family enjoy doing?
My father enjoys mending old cars. My mother enjoys running and reading books.
2 What do your mother and father want you to do in the future?
3 What type of films do different members of your family watch?
4 What do different members of your family talk to you about?



EXAM SKILLS

13 **With a partner, ask and answer the questions below about *your* family. Try to talk for about 20 seconds for each question.**

1 Do you come from a large family?
2 Is there anything you usually do together with your family?
3 How often do you see your grandparents?
4 Who do you like the most in your family?
5 Would you like to spend more time with your family?

When your partner is speaking, make notes about any interesting vocabulary (particularly collocations) that you hear. Then, ask and answer the questions again.

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