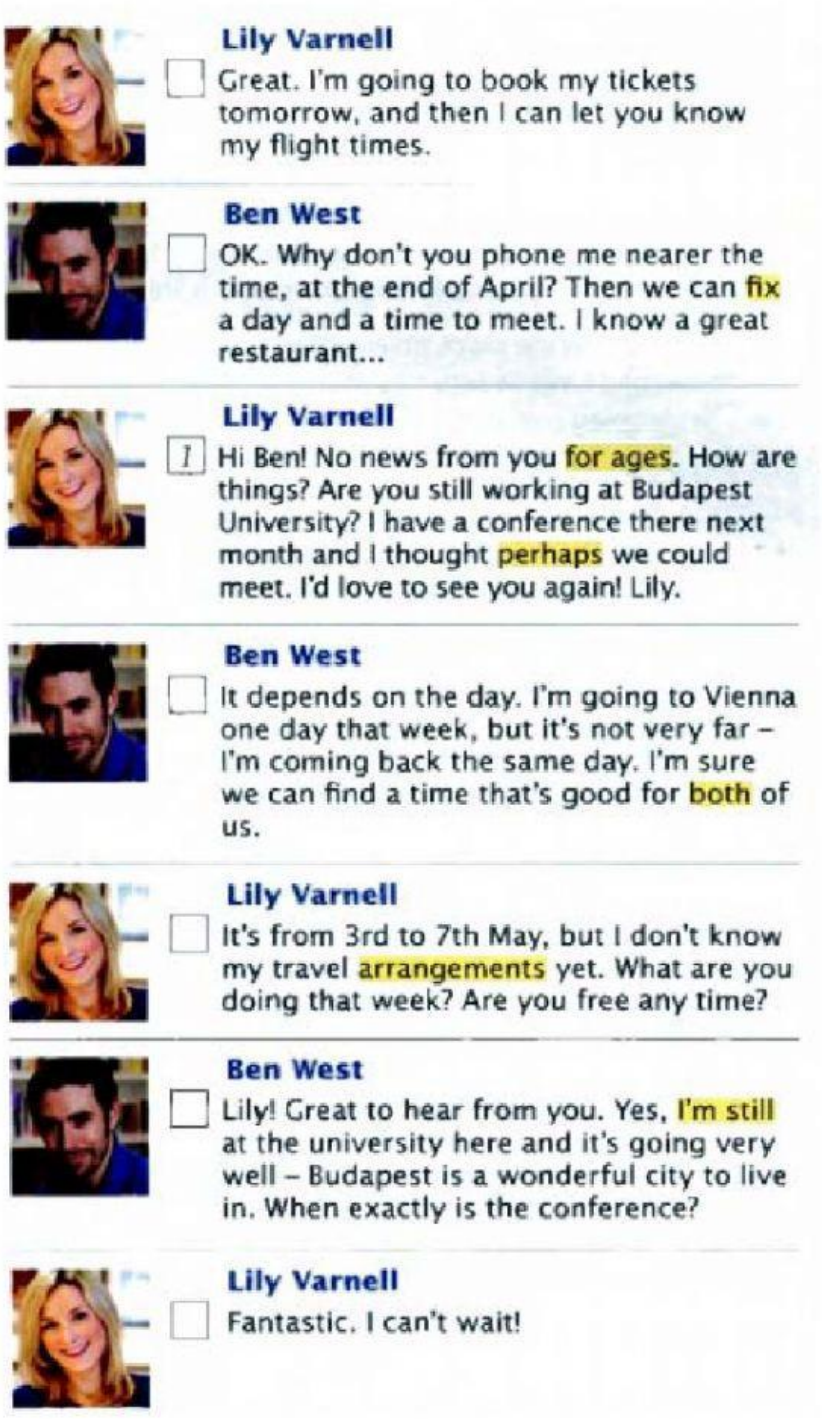
ACTIVITY 2. READING & LISTENING: BEN & LILY PLANS

Ben and Lily are old friends from university.

1) **Read their Facebook messages and number them in order.**



Lily Varnell

[ ] Great. I'm going to book my tickets tomorrow, and then I can let you know my flight times.

Ben West

[ ] OK. Why don't you phone me nearer the time, at the end of April? Then we can fix a day and a time to meet. I know a great restaurant...

Lily Varnell

[1] Hi Ben! No news from you for ages. How are things? Are you still working at Budapest University? I have a conference there next month and I thought perhaps we could meet. I'd love to see you again! Lily.

Ben West

[ ] It depends on the day. I'm going to Vienna one day that week, but it's not very far – I'm coming back the same day. I'm sure we can find a time that's good for both of us.

Lily Varnell

[ ] It's from 3rd to 7th May, but I don't know my travel arrangements yet. What are you doing that week? Are you free any time?

Ben West

[ ] Lily! Great to hear from you. Yes, I'm still at the university here and it's going very well – Budapest is a wonderful city to live in. When exactly is the conference?

Lily Varnell

[ ] Fantastic. I can't wait!

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2) **Read the message again in the right order. Answer the questions:**
   1. Why does Lily get in touch with Ben?
   2. What are they planning to do?

3) **Match the highlighted words and phrases to their meaning.**
   1. _____for a long time
   2. _____definite plans for the future
   3. _____ I continue to be
   4. _____maybe
   5. _____ the two
   6. _____ to decide sth (e.g. a day/ date)

4) **Play recording 1. Lily phones Ben and leaves him a message.** Listen and complete her flight details.

Thank you for booking with easyJet

YOUR RESERVATION NUMBER IS: **I5C52L**

Going out: Flight EZY4587 **Date:** _____

Depart London Gatwick at 11.10.

Arrive Budapest at _____.

Going back: Flight EZY4588 **Date:** _____

Depart Budapest at _____.

Arrive London Gatwick at 18.10.

Hotel reservations:

Six nights at Hotel _____.

5) In pairs, underline five present continuous verbs in the Facebook messages. Which two are about now? What time period do the other three refer to?

6) **Play recording 2**. Lily phones Ben when she arrives at the hotel. Listen to the conversation. What day do they arrange to meet?

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7) **Play recording 2 again**. Listen to the conversation between Lily and Ben. Complete Ben's diary for the week.



8) **Play recording 3**. What happens when Ben and Lily meet?

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