

1B Charlotte's choice

1 GRAMMAR simple present

a Write negative sentences.

- 1 You get up early. *You don't get up early.*
- 2 It rains a lot here. _____.
- 3 We live in a house. _____.
- 4 I play tennis. _____.
- 5 He has a beard. _____.
- 6 They go to the gym. _____.
- 7 She writes a blog. _____.

b Complete the questions with *do* or *does*.

- 1 When do you meet your friends?
- 2 _____ your laptop have a webcam?
- 3 What time _____ we need to leave?
- 4 _____ your mother work from home?
- 5 Which websites _____ you use most?
- 6 _____ your best friend like action movies?
- 7 _____ your brother spend a lot of time on Facebook?

c Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

not come earn get along study invite not like
live prefer not see share want work



I am very different from my best friend, Tabitha. Tabitha ¹ works as a nurse, and she ² _____ a lot of money. I'm a student, and I ³ _____ music in college. I ⁴ _____ to be a music teacher.

Tabitha ⁵ _____ in a small house in the country, and I ⁶ _____ an apartment with some friends in the city. We often ⁷ _____ friends for dinner, but Tabitha ⁸ _____. She's really shy, so she ⁹ _____ being with other people. I'm very extroverted, so I ¹⁰ _____ to be in a group. I ¹¹ _____ Tabitha much because she's usually busy. But when we're together, we always ¹² _____ really well. Some people say that opposites attract, and for me and my best friend Tabitha, it's true.

2 VOCABULARY describing people

Appearance

a Complete the sentences.

- 1 Does your sister have brown eyes or blue eyes?
- 2 Tanya's dad doesn't have any hair. He's b _____.
- 3 My best friend's hair isn't str _____. It's c _____.
- 4 Andy doesn't shave. He has a b _____ and a m _____.
- 5 You aren't f _____ at all. I think you're very sl _____.
- 6 When Jake was young, he was very th _____, but now he's a little ov _____.
- 7 My hair isn't brown, it's r _____. And I'm not short, I'm m _____ h _____.

Personality

b Complete the opposites.

- 1 talkative _____ quiet
- 2 shy _____
- 3 generous _____
- 4 friendly _____
- 5 hardworking _____
- 6 kind _____
- 7 serious _____
- 8 stupid _____

c Match the questions 1–6 with the answers a–f.

- 1 What did you look like when you were a child? ☒ c
- 2 What does your husband look like? ☐
- 3 What's your best friend like? ☐
- 4 What does your sister look like? ☐
- 5 What's George like? ☐
- 6 What were you like when you were at school? ☐

- a She's tall and slim with long blond hair.
- b He's very kind and hardworking.
- c ~~Had short curly hair, and I was overweight.~~
- d He has short dark hair and a mustache.
- e She's smart and really extroverted.
- f I was very talkative and a little lazy.

3 PRONUNCIATION final -s / -es

- a **iChecker** Listen and circle the verb with a different sound.

1  s snake	2  s snake	3  z zebra	4  z zebra	5 /IZ/ leaves dresses washes	6 /IZ/ teaches cooks misses
works laughs <u>watches</u>	lives thinks drinks	knows rains likes	runs starts goes		

4 READING

- a Read the article. What happens on "Singles' Day" in Shanghai?



November 11 is "Singles' Day" in Shanghai, and every year a dating event takes place where all the single men and women of the city have the chance to meet a partner. Last year, it was so popular that the organizers had to close online registration because there were no more places.

Between 10,000 and 40,000 people attend the event every year. It's held in a district of Shanghai called Thames Town. At least 50 dating agencies take part. They set up stands in the town hall with billboards displaying cards with the height, birth date, education, and annual income of thousands of clients. People who did not manage to register for the event organize their own unofficial dating system by writing their names and phone numbers on pieces of paper and attaching them to the fence outside the town hall.

More people take part in "Singles' Day" every year because of the growing number of single adults in Shanghai. In the city, more than 24 percent of people over the age of 15 are unmarried.

- b Read the article again. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

- The people who take part in "Singles' Day" aren't married. T
- Many people register for the event on the Internet. —
- All of the dating events are in the town hall. —
- People who don't register for the event can't find a partner on "Singles' Day." —
- Every year, there are more single adults in Shanghai. —

- c Underline five words you don't know. Check their meaning and pronunciation with a dictionary.

5 LISTENING

- a **iChecker** Listen to a radio program about online dating. How many people call the program? —
- b **iChecker** Listen again and match the callers with the sentences A–F.

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| 1 Alan | <u>C</u> | — |
| 2 Kate | — | — |
| 3 Paolo | — | — |

- A He / She doesn't have time for a social life.
 B He / She made a mistake.
 C ~~He / She got engaged with the partner he / she met online.~~
 D He / She married someone who was married before.
 E He / She doesn't like meeting new people.
 F He / She is happily married now, but doesn't have any children.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

guy /gai/
 partner /'pɑ:tnə/
 single person /'sɪŋgl 'pɜ:sn/
 smile /smaɪl/
 sociable /'səʊʃəbl/
 be into (sth) /bi 'ɪntə/
 feel like (doing something) /fɪl laɪk/
 get along well (with) /get ə'lɒŋ wel/
 go on a date /gəʊ ən ə deɪt/
 sense of humor /sens əv 'hyʊmər/