

AGES AND STAGES

Rewrite the sentences with the words below.

a centenarian an infant in (your) teens in (your) twenties
middle-aged a toddler a young child

1 My niece is only four months old.

2 My little brother is six.

3 My great-grandfather is over a hundred.

4 My cousin Jack is fifteen.

5 My mother is fifty next year.

6 My nephew is two years old.

7 My sister was twenty-three on her last birthday.

Complete the life events with the words below. Use all the words.

be be emigrate fall get get go inherit
learn move split start

1 _____ born 7 _____ to university

2 _____ a business 8 _____ house

3 _____ in love 9 _____ your first job

4 _____ (money, etc.) 10 _____ engaged

5 _____ to drive 11 _____ brought up (by)

6 _____ up 12 _____ from abroad

away a change of career divorced down
a family from work a grandparent home a house or flat
married school school up

13 get _____ 20 become _____

14 leave _____ 21 grow _____

15 start _____ 22 pass _____

16 settle _____ 23 buy _____

17 leave _____ 24 get _____

18 start _____ 25 retire _____

19 have _____

Complete each pair of life events with a suitable verb.

- 1 _____ born / brought up
- 2 _____ a flat / a house
- 3 _____ home / school
- 4 _____ married / engaged
- 5 _____ a business / a family
- 6 _____ a house / money

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs below.

emigrate grow up move pass away retire settle down

- 1 My grandfather is in his seventies, but he has no plans to _____ from his job.
- 2 I missed my friends terribly when we _____ house.
- 3 They're thinking of leaving the UK. They'd like to _____ to Australia.
- 4 My best friend _____ in France, so she's bilingual.
- 5 When I leave university, I want to go travelling before I _____ and have a family.
- 6 Tom's grandmother is ill in hospital. He'll be extremely upset if she _____.

 **1.02** Listen to a teenage girl asking people in the street about the best age to do certain things in life. Complete the table.

Best age to leave home:	
1 Woman	
Best age to learn to drive:	
2 Girl	
Best age to start a family:	
3 Boy	
Best age to buy a house or flat:	
4 Girl	