

2nd Year – Use of English Practice

VOCABULARY

- Match the phrases

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| 1. My grandad was | a. on his 65 th birthday. |
| 2. He went | b. in love with my grand at school. |
| 3. He fell | c. born in 1945. |
| 4. He left | d. to school when he was five. |
| 5. He started | e. work when he was sixteen. |
| 6. They got | f. school in 1960. |
| 7. They had | g. three children |
| 8. He retired | h. married in 1968. |

- GRAMMAR: Present perfect or past simple?

1. Tick the correct option



My mum was born in Plymouth in 1948. When ¹**she left** / **she's left** school, she started work in an office in Plymouth. Later, the company ²**sent** / **has sent** her to a different office in Bristol, where ³**she met** / **she's met** my dad. ⁴**They fell** / **They've fallen** in love, and ⁵**they got** / **they've got** married in 1970. ⁶**They had** / **They've had** three children – I'm the youngest.

⁷**They moved** / **They've moved** back to Plymouth again when my dad retired. They bought a very nice house and ⁸**they lived** / **they've lived** there for two years now. My dad ⁹**just put** / **has just put** a greenhouse in the garden for growing vegetables – ¹⁰**he was** / **he's been** a keen gardener all his life. My parents ¹¹**made** / **have made** a lot of new friends and they're very happy in their new home.

- Write the verbs in the past simple or present perfect.

- 1 A How long have you studied English? (study)
B Since I was little. I started learning it at school.
(start)
- 2 A Are Tom and Gill married?
B Yes, they are.
A When _____ they _____ married? (get)
B Last year. But they _____ together for about
ten years now. (be)
- 3 A Is that man the new accountant?
B Yes, he is.
A How long _____ he _____ here? (work)
B Only for two months. He _____ university in June.
(finish)
- 4 A How long _____ you _____ your car?
(have)
B A long time! I _____ it in 2005, I think. (buy)
- 5 A When _____ Sandra _____ her
boyfriend? (meet)
B When she was at university. She _____ him for
three years now. (know).
- 6 A How long _____ you _____ in London?
(live)
B Not long. I _____ six months ago. (arrive)