PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 7

1 OVERVIEW: Watch the video. What do you have in common with the speakers?

2 Watch the video from 0:11–0:19. Why does Hina feel good about life at the moment? Watch the video two or three times if necessary.

3 Look at the people below and read the things they say. Then watch the video from 0:19–3:17 and match the people to sentences 1–6.

1 My life has changed quite a bit in the last two years.   **D**

2 I enjoy living in the UK, and I've been over here for about nine years – so I do enjoy my life. ☐

3 And then personal life … got married, I had my first child, bought my first property. ☐

4 I've got two lovely children, a great husband and I just finished paying for my house. ☐

5 Ten years ago I was a student and so I used to get up late, and I used to have lots of time. And now I have to go to work. ☐

6 I'd like to go on more holidays. ☐

Glossary: *property* = house/flat

4 *How do they feel about their lives at the moment?* Watch the video from 0:19–1:19. Is anybody not happy with their life?

5 Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video again from 0:19–1:19 and underline the words in *italics* that you hear.

1 I have a *fabulous* / *fantastic* partner, four beautiful children, a great job – and I live in London.

2 I have a job that I really enjoy and I've just *bought* / *moved* into a flat.

3 I *have* / *am* just about to go on holiday so I am, yeah, looking forward to that.

4 I'm happy with *where* / *who* I am, yeah. I've just graduated for two weeks.

5 My *husband* / *life* is great.

6 Started a *new job* / *family* as well. I bought a house. Things like that, you know.

Glossary: *fabulous* = very good/great
 about to (go) = am (going) soon
 as well = also

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6 Look at the people below and read the sentences about them. Then watch the video from 1:20-3:18 and tick (✓) the correct sentence for each person, a or b.

1a) She'd like to travel a lot more.

b) *She'd like to travel a bit more.* ✓

2a) She really wants to get into graphic design.

b) She wants to change her job.

3a) He'd like more children.

b) His wife's recently had a baby.

4a) She's recently stopped work.

b) She's recently started work again.

5a) She's moved to a different part of London.

b) She's moved to London.

6a) She sees her friends more now.

b) She doesn't see her friends so much now.

7 *How have their lives changed in the last few years?* Watch the video from 1:50-3:18 and match five people from Exercise 6 to the questions below.

1 Who's moved to the United Kingdom? ☐ *A*

2 Who had a five-year break from work? ☐

3 Who does a lot of family things? ☐

4 Who has a daughter now? ☐

5 Who's living in a new area? ☐

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8 **THE WAY WE SPEAK:** Look at the people below and read what they say about their lives. Then watch the video from 0:19-3:18 and complete phrases 1-6 with words a-f in the box.

| a) ~~circle~~ | b) full-time | c) get | d) on | e) career | f) afford |

I'm enjoying my life at the moment because I have a good ¹*circle of friends*.

I'd like to ²*be able to*_____to join a gym so that I could ³_____ *fitter*.

Specifically in that I had a five-year break from work, ⁴*put my career* _____*hold* and returned back to ⁵_____ *employment*.

Yeah, I've changed in every possible way really. ⁶_____-*wise*, I made a big decision of changing my career, coming to HSBC.

9 **VOCABULARY:** Match definitions a-f to phrases 1-6 in Exercise 8.

- **a)** group of friends `1`
- **b)** stopped working
- **c)** talking about my career
- **d)** get healthier and stronger
- **e)** work for eight hours a day, five days a week
- **f)** have enough money

10 **PERSONALISATION:** How do you feel about your life? Write sentences using the prompts below.

1 At the moment, my life is _____

_____.

2 I'd like to _____

_____.

3 In the last few years, _____

_____.

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