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MY WAY OF LIFE



ABOUT YOU

03 Watch the video and then answer the questions.
When did you learn to walk and talk?
How old were you when you learned to swim?
What are the most important events in a person's life?



VOCABULARY

Life events

1 Match six of the phrases to the photos.

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A



B



C



D



E



F



2 Put the life events in Exercise 1 in order. There is more than one possible answer. Then compare your answers.

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3 Read the quiz. Which four events in Exercise 1 are not mentioned in the questions?

Around the world: Age and events

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A 14 **B** 16 **C** 18
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A 33 **B** 43 **C** 53
- 5** In almost all European countries, _____ leave home before _____.
A men, women **B** women, men
- 6** In the UK, children of _____ are allowed to get a part-time job.
A any age **B** 13 or over **C** 16 or over
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A Spain **B** India **C** Japan
- 8** In Brazil you can vote in elections from the age of _____.
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- ☐ move home ☐ start school ☐ vote

4 Listen and choose Charlie's answers to the quiz.

- 5 >> In pairs, choose *your* answers to the quiz. Then check your answers on page 120. Did you get more points than Charlie?

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- 6 Look at the events in Exercise 1 again. Make six sentences with *I want to ...*

I want to leave home before I'm 25. I want to retire before I'm 40!

- 7 Discuss the questions.

- 1 When can you leave school in your country?
- 2 At what age can you get a job?
- 3 How old do you have to be to get a driving licence?
- 4 What do you think is the best age to get married?
- 5 Is it important to go to university and get a degree? Why? / Why not?
- 6 Which of your relatives have retired?

1 Add the missing vowels (a, e, i, o, u) to complete these life events.

- 1 b__ b__ rn
- 2 g__ t__ d__ gr__
- 3 g__ t__ dr__ v__ ng l__ c__ nc__
- 4 g__ t__ j__ b
- 5 h__ v__ ch__ ldr__ n
- 6 r__ t__ r__
- 7 l__ v__ h__ m__
- 8 st__ rt sch__ l
- 9 g__ t m__ rr__ d
- 10 g__ t__ n__ v__ rs__ ty
- 11 l__ v__ sch__ l
- 12 m__ v__ h__ m__
- 13 v__ t__

2 Look at the pictures. What are they celebrating? Write a life event from Exercise 1 in each space.



1 _____



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words from Exercise 1.

- 1 I want to _____ in London and study history.
- 2 I _____ for my local politician last week.
- 3 My dad _____ in the last century.
- 4 I've just _____ because I like this house more than my last one.
- 5 In my country, all children _____ when they are between 16 and 18.
- 6 I want to _____ and then buy a second-hand car.
- 7 My sister _____ after working at the bookshop for 50 years.
- 8 My friend's older brother _____ as a car mechanic.

4 Match the questions and the answers.

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| 1 What is Charlie going to study at university? | a Definitely not before I am 30! |
| 2 When were you born? | b On 30th May 2006. |
| 3 When did you start school? | c He wants to get a degree in English. |
| 4 Do you think you will have children? | d We need more space for the baby. |
| 5 Is your sister going to leave school next year? | e I don't think so, and anyway she's only 16. |
| 6 Why are you moving home? | f I went to school when I was six years old. |
| 7 When do you think you will retire? | g Probably when I am 70! |
| 8 When did you first vote? | h In the general election just after my 18th birthday. |