Important people. (B1)

Listen to the speakers talking about important people in their lives and do the exercises to practise and improve your listening skills.

1. Check your understanding: matching

Do this exercise before you listen. Match the phrases with the correct definition and write a – f next to the numbers 1 – 6.

1.....	She looked after me.	a.	We have a good, friendly relationship.
2.....	We hang out a lot.	b.	She took care of me.
3.....	We get on well.	c.	He likes the same things as me.
4.....	We fell out.	d.	We have many similarities.
5.....	We have a lot in common.	e.	We stopped being friends. (Especially after an argument.)
6.....	He's into the same things.	f.	We spend a lot of time together.

2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the gaps with a word from the box.

childhood friend	brother	best friend
next-door neighbour	boyfriend	

1. Speaker A is talking about her _____ .
2. Speaker B is talking about his _____ .
3. Speaker C is talking about her _____ .
4. Speaker D is talking about his _____ .
5. Speaker E is talking about her _____ .

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3. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

1.	A – Her next-door neighbour also worked with her mum.	*True*	*False*
2.	A – Her next-door neighbour has a healthier lifestyle now.	*True*	*False*
3.	B – He didn't see his brother after he went to university.	*True*	*False*
4.	B – He supports the same football team as his brother.	*True*	*False*
5.	C – She and her friend argued about a boy.	*True*	*False*
6.	C – She is going to go to the same university as her friend.	*True*	*False*
7.	D – He didn't have much in common with his friend when they were young.	*True*	*False*
8.	E – She didn't like the look of her boyfriend at first.	*True*	*False*

Which people have been important in your life?
Who are you closest to in your family?
Who are your closest friends?
Which other people have been important in your life?

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