

EVERYDAY ENGLISH

Good news, bad news

1 Look at the pictures. What is the good news? What is the bad news?

2 **T 11.7** Work with a partner. Complete the conversations with words in the box. After each one listen and check.



Congratulations
had
Give her my love
doing
weigh

A My wife ¹ _____ a baby last night.

B ² _____! Was it a boy or girl?

A A boy! William James.

B How much did he ³ _____?

A 4.1 kilos.

B Ooh! A big boy. How are mother and baby ⁴ _____?

A They're fine.

B That's wonderful. ⁵ _____ when you see her.



wedding
engaged
fantastic news
bridesmaid
ring
beautiful

A Alfie and I have got ¹ _____.

B That's ² _____! Congratulations!

A Do you like my ³ _____?

B Wow! Diamonds! It's ⁴ _____. When's the ⁵ _____?

A We're thinking of getting married next spring.

B I hope I'm invited.

A Of course you are. I want you to be a ⁶ _____.

B Really? I'd love that. I've never been one before.



tough time
split up
getting on well
What's happened
shame
sorry to hear

A Have you heard about Bill and Josie?

B No! ¹ _____?

A Well, they've been having a ² _____ recently.

B I know, they haven't been ³ _____ at all.

A Mm. Well, they've finally decided to ⁴ _____.

B I'm so ⁵ _____ that. What a ⁶ _____!

A Yes, I always thought they were so good together.



lovely man
memories
together
coping
so sorry
fond of him

A We lost Grandpa last week.

B I know. Your dad told me. I'm ¹ _____. He was a
² _____. Everyone was really ³ _____.

A He and Grandma were ⁴ _____ nearly sixty years.

B That's incredible! How old was he?

A Eighty-eight.

B And how's your Grandma ⁵ _____?

A She's OK. She's got her family around her.

B Well, I'm sure you all have wonderful ⁶ _____ of him.

3 Choose two of the conversations and practise them with your partner. Act them out to the class.