## The Past - Reading about childhood

My name is Abshir. I was born in Somalia in 1957. I lived in Mogadishu. I didn't go to school. I worked in the market. I sold food.

My name is Fatou. I was born in Ivory Coast in 1975. I lived in a city. I didn't go to school. I helped my parents at home.

My name is Sabah. I was born in 1970. I lived in Somalia. I started school when I was 8 and I left school when I was 10. I helped my mother.

My name is Hamida. I was born in Afghanistan in 1968. I didn't go to school because there was war. I helped my family at home.

My name is Mayasa. I was born in Iraq in 1975. I started school when I was 7 and I left school when I was 11.

My name is Mohamed. I was born in Morocco in 1972. I lived in a small village near Tangiers. I started school when I was seven and left when I was ten.

## Read about the students. Choose a name.

- 1. Who was born in Afghanistan?
- 2. Who left school at the age of eleven?
- 3. Who worked in a market?
- 4. Who was born in Morocco?
- 5. Who helped their mother?
- 6. Who lived in a small village?
- 7. Who was born in 1968?
- 8. Who is now 50 years old?
- 9. Who started school at eight years old?
- 10 Who was born in Iraq?

## Past tense verbs

Read the text again and write the past tense verbs

My name is Abshir. I was born in Somalia in 1957. I lived in Mogadishu. I didn't go to school. I worked in the market. I sold food.

My name is Fatou. I was born in Ivory Coast in 1975. I lived in a city. I didn't go to school. I helped my parents at home.

My name is Sabah. I was born in 1970. I lived in Somalia. I started school when I was 8 and I left school when I was 10. I helped my mother.

PRESENT	PAST
work	
live	
start	
leave	

PRESENT	PAST
is	
help	
don't	
sell	

## Answer the questions.

- 1. What did Abshir sell?
- 2. Where did Fatou live?
- 3. Who did Sabah help?
- 4. How old is Abshir now?
- 5. How old is Fatou now?