Adele

When We Were Young

From the album *25* (2015)

A Listen to the chorus of the song. Why are these words mentioned?

movie *song* *photograph* *young* *old*

B Now listen to the whole song. Tick (✔) the chunks you hear.

the way you talk *the way you smile* *a dream come true*

Can I have a moment? *all night long* *all day long*

I used to know *face my fears* *moved overseas*

when you left me *before you went away* *it's hard to win me back*

just in case *are you still scared?* *do you still care?*

C What is the song about?

Look at the statements below. Put a tick (✔) next to it if you think is true, a cross (X) if it's not or a question mark (?) if it's not clear.

The protagonist of the song (Adele) meets someone after many years.

She was enjoying the evening / party / gathering until she bumped into him.

She used to be in love with this person.

Seeing this person takes her back to her past, possibly her childhood.

She didn't expect to see him again.

Their relationship ended badly.

He lied to her.

She wants things to be the same way they were in the past.

The song is about remembering the past.

The song is about a love that was lost.

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D Complete these expressions with *like*

1. This job is killing him. These last few weeks he's been working like a_____.
2. Her voice is amazing. She sings like a(n) _____
3. I don't like eating out with him because he eats like a _____.
4. Her eyes sparkled like _____
5. Their 5-year old son is growing like _____. He's become so tall.
6. Pull yourself together and stop crying like a _____.
7. They are so rude and impatient. How can you put up with them? They act like _____.
8. No, I didn't hear anything last night. I usually sleep like a(n)_____.

D *As* or *Like*?

1. I tried using salt ____ you suggested but the stain still didn't come out.
2. She looks just _____ her mother.
3. I worked ____ a shop assistant for 2 years when I was a student.
4. Their house is the same _____ ours.
5. My relatives from the States are staying with me now so I'm very busy, _____ you can imagine.
6. _____ your father, I'll help you as much I can.

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