

Reading

1- Read the text and complete the sentences. Write one or two words in each gap.

Ima's story

Ima Aguila left her home country of Colombia eight years ago to study English in Australia and she's been there ever since, although her original plan was to study for one year only.

When she left university in Colombia, she found a job as a teacher, but there was always the possibility that she could lose it the next day. There was a lot of unemployment in the city, as well as an increasing amount of violence, so she thought it would be a good idea to get out of the country and improve her English. Working extra hours as often as she could, she saved enough to spend a year in Sydney, Australia.

Her first impressions of Sydney were that it was much cleaner than her own city, with little sign of poverty. She was also surprised by the friendliness of the inhabitants.

When she wasn't studying at college, she did a variety of part-time jobs. She worked as a kitchen hand, a dishwasher, a waitress, a cleaner – in fact, anything that she could find. She saved as much money as possible and, when she realised she didn't want to return home, she had enough saved to register for another course.

She has been an Australian citizen for a year now and has been married for five years to an Australian man. She's been teaching Spanish at university for the last three years and has never regretted her decision.

- 0 Ima lived most of her life in Colombia.
- 1 She first went to Australia to
- 2 She worked as a(n) in her home country.
- 3 What worried Ima was that there was more and more in her home town.
- 4 She thought her home city was and poorer than Sydney.
- 5 The of the people in Sydney surprised her.
- 6 She took on several jobs to earn money.
- 7 Five years ago, she got
- 8 She's been at a university for three years now.

2- Complete the email with modal verbs from the box. There is one extra verb.

don't have • have (x2) • must • mustn't • needn't • ought • should

Hi Sophie,

I promised to tell you about my holiday job in France. I'm enjoying it, but it's very hard work. I⁰ don't have to wear a special uniform, but I¹ wear a white top and a black skirt or trousers. I think they² pay for a uniform, but they don't and I³ to wear my own clothes. Of course, we⁴ smoke in the café, but I don't smoke anyway, so that's not a problem. The manager is hardly ever here, so I⁵ to deal with any problems myself. However, the pay is quite good, so you⁶ worry about me. I've got enough money to live on while I'm here and best of all, my French is improving a lot!

Love,
Diana

3- Choose the correct options.

A: Hi, Emma. You ⁰**never guess** / **'ll never guess** what happened the other day.

B: What? Someone asked you to make a film and you ¹**'re going to be** / **'re being** a famous actress?

A: Don't be silly! I won a holiday in Australia.

B: Wow, that's amazing! When ²**are you about** / **are you** going?

A: I don't know yet. I've got to speak to my parents first. The company ³**calls** / **is calling** me back tomorrow to find out when we want to go. Then, they ⁴**'ll send** / **send** me the tickets when we've decided.

B: When ⁵**are you going to tell** / **will you tell** your parents?

A: Today. It's a holiday for all the family, so I think they ⁶**'ll be** / **are** really excited.

B: Lucky you! I wish I could come too. We ⁷**'ll have** / **'re having** our usual caravan holiday by the sea.

A: Do you want to come with us? It's a holiday for six and there are only four of us in the family. We ⁸**'re having** / **'ll have** a fantastic time together!

B: I don't know if my parents ⁹**will think** / **are thinking** it's such a good idea.

A: My parents can talk to them.

B: Fantastic! I'm sure they'll say yes, then.

A: I'm so excited I'm ¹⁰**about** / **about to** explode!

4 Complete the sentences with words from the box. There are two extra words.

babysitting • cutting • decorating • delivering • stacking • waiting • walking

0 Gemma's got a babysitting job looking after her young nieces.

1 I don't want a job shelves in the supermarket. It's so boring.

2 My friends have got jobs painting and at the weekends.

3 David's got a weekend job grass.

4 The girls have both got jobs in the new café at tables.