

**I. Read the text about childhood memories and match each questions with memories from people A to E.**

1. Who liked to eat sweet things? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who remembers their grandparents? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who has a memory about going to school? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who asked their father to do something for them? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who remembers bad weather caused them trouble? \_\_\_\_\_

## **CHILDHOOD MEMORIES**

Everything is different when you're a child: the trees are higher, the colours are brighter, and every new day is more interesting than the last. Even more importantly, some things happen that stay in our memory for a long time – in fact, sometimes they end up being with us forever.



**A** My dad was always the one who used to take me to kindergarten. One time during winter, the road was covered in ice. After a few unsuccessful attempts we got down on all fours and climbed up the hill. We both arrived just in time – I made it to breakfast at school, and my dad made it to work.

**B** I remember it like it was yesterday. We used to go to my grandfather's bee farm out in the country. We'd travel out there on a bike with an extra seat, pedalling real quick. Grandma would feed us on a gallon of milk and home-made bread. When we arrived, we put leave milk in jars in the mountain river, so it would stay cool and wouldn't go off. We ate freshly harvested honey with bread and drank milk. It was unforgettable.

**C** For me, childhood memories are all made up of recollections of tasty food. I had this sandwich made up of two cookies and just some butter between them. Now that's the taste of childhood! Tomorrow I'm going to grab a can of condensed milk; I just realised how much I miss it. You all know what I'm talking about!

**D** When I was five, I was always convinced that my dad, when he came back from work in the evening, got bored while watching TV. That's why I would always go to my room, grab some toys

and deliberately break them. Then I'd bring them to my dad so he could **fix** them. I thought it made him happier...

**E** My grandma used to work in a garage in a **warehouse**, and often took me with her to work. One time she didn't keep her eye on me, and I **sneaked out**. She found me inside the garage. I was standing next to a barrel of gold grains, **rubbing** the gold into my hair. I thought I would look like Rapunzel! Although we washed my hair several times, I still left traces of gold wherever I went for a few weeks, like a **fairy**.

**II. Which of the highlighted words or phrases in the text means...?**

1 \_\_\_\_\_ an area of land for growing fruits/vegetables and/or

keeping animals

2 \_\_\_\_\_ a large building where things are stored

3 \_\_\_\_\_ to make something work again

4 \_\_\_\_\_ when you try to do something difficult

5 \_\_\_\_\_ an imaginary creature with magic powers that looks

like a small person with wings

6 \_\_\_\_\_ to leave a place quietly and secretly so that no one

can see you or hear you

7 \_\_\_\_\_ the time of your life when you are a kid

8 \_\_\_\_\_ to press and move one object against a surface

9 \_\_\_\_\_ to become bad, not fresh

10 \_\_\_\_\_ to take with your hand(s)

