

8B Life stages

- 1 8.7 Match the words and phrases in the box with pictures 1–12. Listen and check.

be born meet someone get divorced finish school go to college retire
have a baby/family start school get married get a job get a degree die

1 *be born* 3 5 7 9 11

2 4 6 8 10 12 *die*

- 2 Complete the sentences with phrases in the correct form.

- My dad _____ last year. But he's still really busy all the time!
- My sister and my brother-in-law want to buy a big house with lots of bedrooms before they _____.
- In the U.S., children _____ when they are five years old.
- These days, a lot of people use the Internet to try to _____ special.

- Dani doesn't want to _____ after he finishes school. He wants to start working, instead.
- Jenny is in college. She wants to _____ in French and Russian.
- My friends Emily and Martyn _____ last year on a beach in the Caribbean! It was beautiful!
- Most women have babies in the hospital, but my dad _____ at home.

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8B Irregular verbs

- 1 8.9 Match the irregular simple past forms in the box with the verbs. Listen and check.

spoke heard said began had ate drank left
thought gave drove did saw got came took
went met wrote knew

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| 1 begin _____ | 11 say _____ |
| 2 come _____ | 12 see _____ |
| 3 do _____ | 13 leave _____ |
| 4 drink _____ | 14 speak _____ |
| 5 drive _____ | 15 get _____ |
| 6 eat _____ | 16 take _____ |
| 7 go _____ | 17 think _____ |
| 8 give _____ | 18 write _____ |
| 9 hear _____ | 19 meet _____ |
| 10 know _____ | 20 have _____ |

- 2 Complete the text with the simple past forms of the verbs in the box.

have drive leave come do get (x2) know take meet

This is my family, and I'm Australian, but my dad is British. He ¹ _____ the UK, and ² _____ here in 1985. He ³ _____ a job in Sydney because he ⁴ _____ some people there. He ⁵ _____ my mom. They ⁶ _____ married and ⁷ _____ two children – my brother and me. They ⁸ _____ a lot of things with us and ⁹ _____ us to lots of beautiful places. We ¹⁰ _____ from Sydney to Melbourne once, and another time from Sydney to Brisbane, in our old car!

