

## 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



2 Complete the sentences with phrases in the correct form.

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

5 Dani doesn't want to \_\_\_\_\_ after he finishes school. He wants to start working, instead.  
6 Jenny is in college. She wants to \_\_\_\_\_ in French and Russian.  
7 My friends Emily and Martyn \_\_\_\_\_ last year on a beach in the Caribbean! It was beautiful!  
8 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

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 <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the UK, and <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ here in 1985. He <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a job in Sydney because he <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ some people there. He <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my mom. They <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ married and <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ two children – my brother and me. They <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of things with us and <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ us to lots of beautiful places. We <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ from Sydney to Melbourne once, and another time from Sydney to Brisbane, in our old car!



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