

Name: _____ Class: A2.1 Date: _____

1. Listen to an interview with Ben, a young musician. Decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect. Choose YES or NO.

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| 1 He formed a band last year. | YES / NO |
| 2 His first band was a rock band. | YES / NO |
| 3 His first gig was two years ago. | YES / NO |
| 4 His first album was an immediate success. | YES / NO |
| 5 He enjoyed performing in different countries. | YES / NO |

2. Read the text and choose the correct word for each space. Choose A, B, or C.
WAS LIFE BETTER IN THE PAST?

Some older people like to say that life ¹ simpler when they ² young. That can be true, but was it better? In the past, people ³ up early and they used to walk a lot. They also ⁴ simpler food and they were probably healthier. On the other hand, if you got sick back then, it could be serious. Before the days of antibiotics, if you got a bacterial infection, it ⁵ kill you. We ⁶ all the medicines we have today, so despite our lifestyle was healthier, people ⁷ so long.

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| 1. A would | B were | C was |
| 2. A had | B was | C were |
| 3. A woke | B wake | C gotten |
| 4. A ate | B eat | C have |
| 5. A can | B could | C will |
| 6. A didn't have | B weren't have | C had |
| 7. A lived | B didn't live | C lives |

3. Complete with be going to or will and the verbs in brackets.

- 1 We _____ to the theatre on Friday. The tickets were £50 each! (go)
- 2 I can't understand this exercise. Don't worry, I _____ it to you. (explain)
- 3 I _____ some new trainers this week. (buy)
- 4 He's riding that moped very fast. I think he _____ (fall off)
- 5 It's a great book. I think it _____ successful. (be)
- 6 We _____ the apartment this weekend. (clean)
- 7 Ted _____ in a concert next Thursday. (play)
- 8 This time next week you _____ on the beach! (be)

4. Read the article and circle T (True) or F (False).

Jumber Lezhava, the world's cyclist

Jumber Lezhava is no ordinary cyclist. For almost ten years, he cycled around the world, alone, and visited almost every country on the planet.

Born in Georgia in 1939, Jumber became seriously ill in 1986. He nearly died, but luckily he went to hospital and an operation saved his life. As he rested after the operation, he made a life-changing decision: to travel around the world by bike.

When Jumber left home in 1993, he was already over 50 years old. However, over the next nine-and-a-half years he cycled more than 260,000 kilometres and visited more than 230 countries. He wanted to show people that it is important to be healthy. He also wanted to meet people from different countries and cultures.

The trip wasn't always easy. Animals chased him, people robbed him and even shot at him. Jumber can't speak English very well, so sometimes it was difficult to communicate.

And it wasn't always easy to find a place to stay: he didn't sleep in hotels every night!

During his trip he slept on beaches and even in hospitals.

There are seven countries that Jumber didn't visit: Libya, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Afghanistan, North Korea, Brunei and the Faroe Islands. He hopes he can visit these countries one day.

In May 2013, at the age of 74, Jumber began a new journey to 30 countries in Asia and Europe, covering 30,000 kilometres. Good luck, Jumber!

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| 1 Jumber cycled around the world with friends. | TRUE / FALSE |
| 2 He was young when he started his journey. | TRUE / FALSE |
| 3 He didn't like the idea of meeting people of different nationalities. | TRUE / FALSE |
| 4 Jumber speaks English well. | TRUE / FALSE |
| 5 Jumber travelled to every country in the world. | TRUE / FALSE |