

Cutting Edge Starter
Unit 10: Famous Lives

Name: _____

Use the words in the box to complete the paragraph below.

(born) (died) (finished) (had)
(loved) (married) (moved) (started)
(studied) (worked) (was)



In this paragraph, I will talk about my maternal grandfather. His name was Jack Hovey. He was 1. _____ in a small village called Green Hill in Eastern Canada in 1910. His father was a farmer and had 5 other children. Jack 2. _____ the youngest child. When he was 5 years old, he 3. _____ going to school with his brothers and sisters. They 4. _____ in a one-room schoolhouse. When he 5. _____ school at the age of 15, he 6. _____ on his father's farm and later started working in the woods, like many men of that time. As a young man, he 7. _____ fishing and caught many big fish. When he was twenty-five years old, he 8. _____ to a bigger town near the capital city where he worked as a carpenter. In 1938, he met and 9. _____ my grandmother. The couple 10. _____ three children. Their youngest daughter was my mother. My grandfather worked in a small company for many years. Unfortunately, I never really knew my grandfather very well because he 11. _____ in 1975 at the age of 65. At that time, I was just six years old. However, I heard he was a kind and hardworking man, and many people liked him.

True or False?

1. _____ Jack was born in a big city.
2. _____ He didn't like fishing.
3. _____ Jack never got married.
4. _____ Jack was a carpenter.
5. _____ He worked hard.
6. _____ Jack started working as a carpenter when he was 15.
7. _____ The writer of this story knew his grandfather very well.

