

## Functional language

### Give and respond to news

#### 1 Complete the conversation with responses a–f.

A: Allen! Hi!  
 B: 1. d  
 A: Good, thanks. I've just sold my house.  
 B: 2.  
 A: I wanted to move somewhere quieter, with more green spaces.  
 B: 3.  
 A: Why? I thought you liked living here.  
 B: I did! But we have new neighbours and they party all night, every night!  
 A: 4.  
 B: Yes, I have. But they won't stop.  
 A: Oh no, sorry to hear that.  
 B: 5. We have some good news.  
 A: What?  
 B: Rebecca and I are having a baby!  
 A: 6.  
 B: Thanks! We don't know yet!  
 a. Lucky you! I'd love to move, too!  
 b. Really? Congratulations! Boy or girl?  
 c. That's fantastic news! Why did you sell?  
 d. Hi, Stuart! How are things?  
 e. That's awful! Have you spoken to them about it?  
 f. Guess what!

#### 2 Match sentences 1–8 with responses a–h.

1 I've lost my phone. I can't find it anywhere! \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 Did you hear about Pam and Kevin? They've sold their house. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 Guess what! George asked me to marry him! \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 Have you heard about Hugo? He lost his job. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 I got a cold last week and I had to stay in bed for two days. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6 Sorry, but I have to cancel our plans for tonight. I have to work late. \_\_\_\_\_  
 7 Did you hear that a new sushi restaurant has opened in our area? \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 We've booked our holiday! We're going to Malta for two weeks! \_\_\_\_\_  
 a. Oh, that's fantastic news! When's the big day?  
 b. Sounds amazing! You'll have a fantastic time!  
 c. That's a shame. Are you free tomorrow night?  
 d. Oh, no, sorry to hear that! Maybe you left it at home?  
 e. That's great! We need more restaurants around here.  
 f. That's awful! He was so happy working there.  
 g. Really? That's a surprise! I thought they loved living in Cambridge.  
 h. Oh, what a shame! How are you feeling now?

## Listening

#### 1 3.0 Listen to Jen and Angus discussing a holiday. Write Jen (J), Angus (A) or both (J/A).

1 \_\_\_\_\_ has been on holiday.  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_ likes skiing.  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_ has friends who like hot weather.  
 4 \_\_\_\_\_ likes being alone.  
 5 \_\_\_\_\_ likes talking to people.  
 6 \_\_\_\_\_ took lots of photos.

#### 2 Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

1 Angus is unhappy his holiday has ended. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 He has been on a skiing holiday to Ben Nevis. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 He spent a week there. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 He liked the holiday because he could practise his skiing and be alone. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5 The ski centre is not cheap. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6 There are lots of places to eat. \_\_\_\_\_  
 7 There are wonderful views. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 It is about four hours' drive from Edinburgh. \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3a Choose the correct option, a or b.

1 Angus went to Fort William ...  
 a. by plane. b. by train.  
 2 Jen ...  
 a. has been skiing before.  
 b. has never been skiing before.  
 3 Jen is surprised that ...  
 a. Angus went skiing. b. Angus went alone.  
 4 Angus ...  
 a. doesn't go skiing often. b. goes skiing regularly.  
 5 At the end of the conversation ...  
 a. Jen wants to go skiing for her next holiday.  
 b. Jen doesn't want to go skiing for her next holiday.

#### b Listen again and check.

