

Read my dad's story! by Josh

'In 1990 I was a young boy. It was an autumn day in town. I was walking down the High Street with my mum when I stopped because I wanted to look in a shop window. I was feeling very excited because I saw something very special in the shop.

That special thing was a new games console. But it wasn't just a normal games console. It was the first portable games console.

That day was my birthday. I had some money to spend and I was looking for a present to buy when I saw that games console.

I bought it and I was really happy. The games console had four buttons on it, it took headphones and it also had a battery pack that you plugged in. There weren't a lot of games at first – in fact, I had only two. I loved computer games, so I played a lot!'



And now my dad has a fantastic job! He is a game tester! He plays games before they sell them in the shops. Amazing! So, he still loves computer games and he plays a lot.

2 Read the text. Tick (✓) the people and the things from the text.

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| 1 a birthday present | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 5 Josh's father | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 a television | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 Josh's grandma | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 a phone | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 Josh's mother | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 a shop | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 Josh's grandad | <input type="checkbox"/> |

3 Read the text again and answer the questions.

- 1 What year was it? It was 1990.
- 2 Where was the young boy walking?

- 3 Why did he stop? _____
- 4 What day was it? _____
- 5 Were there a lot of games for the console?

4 These sentences are wrong. Read the text again and correct them.

- 1 It was winter. It was autumn.
- 2 The boy was excited about an old games console in the shop.

- 3 The games console had five buttons.

- 4 Josh's dad had three games.
