

1 SPEAKING Work in pairs. Look at the photos and the chart. Answer the questions.

- Do any of these things make you feel scared? Rate them on a scale of 0–5 (0 = not scared at all, 5 = terrified). Then compare your scores with a partner.
- Did anything score 4 or 5? Can you explain why?

Score	0	1	2	3	4	5
the dark						
small spaces						
large crowds						
heights						
spiders						
public speaking						
flying						
injections						
exams						
open spaces						

Are you afraid of ... ?



- 1.25** Listen to the introduction to a programme about phobias. What is a phobia? Why do people have phobias?
- 1.26** Listen to three people talking about their phobias. Which phobias in exercise 1 do they mention?
- 1.26** Listen again and match speakers A–C to statements 1–8. There are two statements that you do not need.

Speaker A	1 This person thinks their phobia is silly.
Speaker B	2 This person thinks their phobia started in childhood.
Speaker C	3 This person can't stand cold weather.
	4 This person has a fear of heights.
	5 This person has the same fear as a parent.
	6 This person doesn't mind walking up stairs.
	7 This person doesn't like huge open spaces.
	8 This person asked someone for help with their phobia.

V insight Base and strong adjectives

5 1.27 Complete the table. Then listen and check your answers.

■ boiling ■ freezing ■ hilarious ■ huge ■ ridiculous ■ furious ■ terrible ■ tiny

Base adjectives	hot	silly	cold	big	funny	angry	small	bad
Strong adjectives	boiling (=very hot)							

- Which adjectives in exercise 5 would you use to describe these things?

■ the weather in Alaska	■ your favourite joke	■ an unpleasant experience
■ the temperature in the Sahara	■ a baby	■ how you feel when someone has lied to you
- SPEAKING** Work in pairs. Study the unusual phobias and answer the questions.
 - Which do you think is the most ridiculous? Why?
 - Which of these phobias might start when you are

■ a child?	■ a teenager?	■ an adult?
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