

1 2.2 Listen and repeat the phrases.

SPEAKING Giving and responding to news

Giving news

I'm learning (how to speak) Chinese.
I'm spending a lot of time with my friends/in the art club.
I'm feeling annoyed because my phone isn't working.
I'm feeling excited because I'm going to the cinema.
I'm working on a new project.
He/She isn't feeling well.

Responding to news

Well done! Good for you! Awesome! Great! Cool!
That's terrible! What a shame! Poor you!
No way! I don't believe it! You're kidding!

2 Match the sentence halves.

- 1 ☒ e I'm learning
 - 2 ☐ I'm spending
 - 3 ☐ My sister isn't feeling
 - 4 ☐ I'm feeling excited
 - 5 ☐ I'm working
 - 6 ☐ I'm feeling very
- a very well. I think she's ill.
 - b because it's my birthday next week.
 - c tired this morning.
 - d on my dance moves at the moment.
 - e ~~how to play the piano.~~
 - f a lot of time with my cousin.

3 Make sentences from the prompts that give news.

- 1 my sister / enjoy / her new job
My sister is enjoying her new job.
- 2 I / learn / a new language

- 3 my mum / not feel well / these days

- 4 I / spend a lot of time / at school / at the moment

- 5 I'm / work / on / a new story

- 6 my dad / feel / worried because he / have
problems / with his new car

4 2.3 Complete the dialogues with one word in each gap. Then listen and check.

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- 1 A: Mateo has stopped his English lessons!
B: No way!
- 2 A: My Maths results are brilliant!
B: Well _____!
- 3 A: My dog's ill.
B: What a _____!
- 4 A: This new shirt has got a hole in it.
B: _____ terrible!
- 5 A: I've got lots of homework.
B: _____ you!
- 6 A: I'm learning Mandarin Chinese!
B: _____!
- 7 A: We don't have any classes today!
B: You're _____!

5 Choose the correct response.

- 1 I've got free tickets for the concert!
a What a shame!
b Awesome!
c Poor you!
- 2 I can't go to Mike's party.
a Great!
b What a shame!
c Good for you!
- 3 My dad's got a job in China.
a Well done!
b No way!
c Good for you!
- 4 They're cutting down those lovely trees in Forest Road.
a You're kidding!
b Cool!
c Poor you!
- 5 I'm feeling really ill today.
a Well done!
b Cool!
c That's terrible!