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.

done great kidding ~~no~~ poor shame that's

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!

LIVEWORKSHEETS