

## 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  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!