

Check and reflect

1 a Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 I *have/passed* a degree in economics from Oxford.
- 2 I'd like to *get/take* a course in education, *get/study* a qualification and maybe *run/train* to be a teacher.
- 3 I recently *got/took* some important exams. I *finished/passed* them all!
- 4 I *have/work* part-time in a café and I also *study/train* biology and chemistry at college.
- 5 I'd like to *run/work* my own company one day.
- 6 I'm working *as/like* an accountant.
- 7 I want to do a course *at/in* ancient history.

b Work in pairs and discuss which sentences are true for you. Say why or why not.

2 a Complete the questions with *you* and the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 What _____ (do) in your free time? _____ (have) any hobbies?
- 2 _____ (read) a book at the moment?
- 3 Why _____ (learn) English? _____ (enjoy) it?
- 4 How many languages _____ (know)? _____ (learn) any other languages at the moment?
- 5 _____ (have) a job at the moment or _____ (study) full time?
- 6 In the future, what _____ (want) to do for a job?
- 7 _____ (go) to the gym much at the moment?
- 8 _____ (have) a lot of work to do this week?

b Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions in Exercise 2a. Find out more information.

3 a Write three sentences about things you plan or intend to do and three sentences about things which are arranged. Use the phrases in the box.

at the weekend in the next few years
later this year later today next week tomorrow

I'm going to the cinema this evening.

b Work in pairs. Discuss your future plans and arrangements. Give more information.

4 a Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

ambitious calm creative hard-working
honest lazy reliable shy

- 1 She finds it difficult to speak to people she doesn't know. She's actually quite _____.
- 2 He never does any work or makes much effort. To be honest, he's really _____.
- 3 He's a(n) _____ person. He always tells the truth.
- 4 She has lots of interesting ideas. She's very _____.
- 5 She's very _____. She'll be successful in her career.
- 6 She's a very _____ person. She never gets angry or loses her temper.
- 7 She always does what she says she will do, she's really _____.
- 8 He's very _____, he always finishes work later than the others.

b Work in pairs. Choose the three adjectives that best describe you and three that least describe you. Explain why you chose your adjectives.

5 a Complete the predictions with *will* and the verbs in the box.

be able to become be delivered go learn
live not go order

- 1 People _____ to be 150 years old.
- 2 Humans _____ to the Moon again.
- 3 English _____ less important as a language.
- 4 We _____ to 'talk' with animals.
- 5 We _____ fly from the UK to Australia in just two hours.
- 6 We _____ to shops. We _____ everything online and it _____ immediately.

b Work in pairs and discuss the predictions in Exercise 5a. Do you think they will happen? When?

6 a Replace the word or phrase in bold with the correct form of a word or phrase in the box. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

decrease easier fall harder get better
increase rise worse

- 1 Standards of living are **improving** in most countries.
- 2 It's getting **more difficult** to buy your own house.
- 3 Thanks to social media, staying in touch has become much **less difficult**.
- 4 Some people think life will be **less good** for the next generation.
- 5 Unemployment is **going down** in many places.
- 6 The cost of petrol is **going up** all the time.

b Work in pairs. Do you agree with the sentences in Exercise 6a? Discuss other things that are:

- going up/down
- improving
- becoming easier/more difficult, etc.

Reflect

How confident do you feel about the statements below? Write 1–5 (1 = not very confident, 5 = very confident).

- I can get to know someone.
- I can describe future plans and arrangements.
- I can make predictions about the future.
- I can make and respond to suggestions.

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