



Families

SO GREW DOESN'T WHEN AND LEFT PARENTS
BUT DIDN'T LIVE BECAUSE THERE MOVED LIVES

My name is John and I live in a typical British family. We _____ in a house with a garden. It's in Bexleyheath, a suburb of London. Our house has got three rooms downstairs – a living room, a dining room and a kitchen. Upstairs _____ are three bedrooms and a bathroom. We _____ live in this house when I was born. We moved here _____ I was five years old, because my parents wanted a bigger garden.

Four people live in our house – my parents, my older brother _____ me. Until two years ago there were five of us, but my older sister _____ home when she was twenty-one. She still lives and works in London, _____ she shares a flat with two friends in another part of the city. It's good because when she moved out, I got her bedroom, _____ I don't share with my brother now! There is one other member of the family in our house, too – our cat.

My _____ don't come from London. My dad is from Scotland and my mum _____ up in Liverpool. They both moved to London after university to get jobs. So, we don't see our aunts and uncles very often, _____ they all live a long way from London.

My mum's parents now live in Cornwall. I call them Nana and Granddad. They _____ to Cornwall when Granddad retired. They've got a small house by the sea. My grandpa (my dad's dad) died a few years ago. Grandma (my dad's mum) lives in Bexleyheath, but she _____ live with us. She _____ in an old people's home.

So that's my family. Of course, not all families are the same. Divorce is common in Britain, so a lot of children live in a single-parent family or in a family with a step-parent and step-brothers and sisters. But we're a very typical British family.

