1A Ages and stages

Complete the sentences with the words below.

adult centenarian elderly infant middle-aged teens toddler twenties young child

1 My brother is thirteen months old and he's learning how to walk. He's a _____.
2 Last year I was still in my _____, but now I am 30 years old.
3 No children are allowed in this shop without an _____.
4 It is my grandmother's 100th birthday today. She's now a _____.
5 Her new baby is just four weeks old. He's an _____.
6 Young people between the ages of thirteen and nineteen are in their _____.
7 Her aunt is quite _____. She's 86.
8 People aged between 40 and 60 are sometimes called _____.
9 When he was a _____ – about seven years old – he was scared of dogs.

Choose the correct words to complete the article.

Champion surfer and star of Surfing Lives: ***Nicole Treacher*** *tells us about her mother*

My mother **grew up / down** in a small village near Toulouse in France. Her parents split **away / up** when she was just five years old and after that she was brought **up / in** by her father. In 1986, when she was sixteen, she **left / moved** home and went to university in London. She studied languages and **got / had** her first job, working as a translator in London, in 1990.

Two years later, her grandmother passed **away / up** and my mother **retired / inherited** her house in France. She decided to move back to France and **settle / start** her own business.

In 1995, my mother met a tall, handsome Australian. They **got / fell** in love and **got / went** engaged just two months after they first met. In 1998, they **changed / emigrated** to Australia and decided to **start / get** a family. And I was born in 2000!

Play 'Guess the celebrity'

Student A – Think of a famous person. Be prepared to answer questions about the person's age, key events from the person's life. You can only answer Yes or No to the questions.

Student B – Try to guess who your partner is thinking of. Ask yes/no questions about their age, their key life events.

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