

Never too old

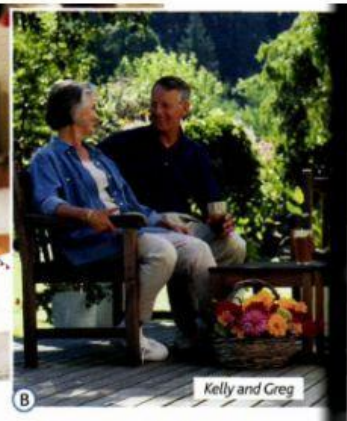
Future plans and ambitions

1. Answer the questions

- a. At what age do people usually retire in your country?
- b. Do you know anyone who is retired? How do they spend their time?
- c. What's the best and worst thing about being retired, do you think?

2. Choose the correct verbs in these phrases.

1. *have / spend* a great time
2. *spend / give* time doing (something)
3. *make / do* a degree (in biology)
4. *take / spend* time with (someone)
5. *live / leave* abroad
6. *take / make* photos
7. *learn / want* how to do (something)
8. *get / do* a suntan



3. Read these people's plans for when they retire. Match them to pictures A-C.

1. I'm going to retire next year. I'm looking forward to spending more time doing the things I enjoy. And I'm thinking of doing a degree in history of art. ☐
2. I'm planning to retire early, before I'm 50. I'm not going to work after that. Then I'd like to live abroad. ☐
3. We're going to drive around Australia. We're hoping to spend about a year traveling and we're really looking forward to it. I'm sure we'll have a great time. ☐



3.1. Listen and check

4. Complete paragraphs 1-3 with the correct form of the verbs in the boxes Which people in photos A-C said them, do you think?

buy write take drive

1. We're going to buy a camper van and _____ across the desert. Kelly's thinking of _____ a book about our journey and I'm going to _____ lots of photographs.

go spend learn visit

2. I'm also hoping to _____ Italian. I'd like to _____ to Italy one day and _____ all their wonderful galleries. And I'm lookin forwards to _____ more time with my grandchildren.

spend learn get go

3. I'm planning to _____ and live somewhere hot, like the Caribbean. I'm really looking forward to _____ every day at the beach and _____ a suntan, and I'd like to _____ how to dive.

4.1. Listen and check

5. Look at these possible plans and ambitions. Make *yes/no* questions with **you**.

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| 1. be going to visit friends next month. | _____ |
| 2. would like to live in a different country. | _____ |
| 3. be planning to move house. | _____ |
| 4. be looking forward to something special. | _____ |
| 5. be thinking of changing their job or course. | _____ |
| 6. would like to write a book. | _____ |
| 7. be hoping to retire early. | _____ |