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 froward to it. I'm sure we'll have a great time. ☐



3.1. Listen and check

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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***.

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. _____

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