

Future plans and ambitions:
be going to **G5.2**

2 Change the incorrect words in bold.

- are you
- A When ¹**you are** going to retire?
- B I'm going to ²**retired** next month.
- A Are you going to ³**learned** anything new?
- B I don't know, but I ⁴**not am** going to do anything difficult.
- A Is your wife ⁵**going retire**?
- B Yes, she ⁶**going**. Next year.
- A And ⁷**what you** going to do then?
- B I'm going to ⁸**spending** a lot more time out of the house!

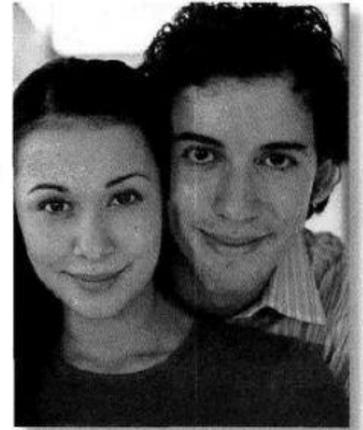
3 Choose the best meaning for each sentence.

- 1 We're looking forward to meeting you.
- a) We're going to enjoy meeting you.
- b) We're thinking of meeting you.
- c) We might enjoy meeting you.
- 2 I'm planning to live abroad.
- a) I might live abroad.
- b) I'd like to live abroad.
- c) I'm going to live abroad.
- 3 He's hoping to retire early.
- a) He's going to retire early.
- b) He'd like to retire early.
- c) He's sure he will retire early.
- 4 I'm thinking of buying a computer.
- a) I might buy a new computer.
- b) I'm going to buy a new computer.
- c) I'm planning to buy a new computer.

4 Read about five people's plans. Then fill in the gaps in sentences 1–10.



LORNA I might retire early. I don't know. I'm 55 now and my husband retired last year. He spends most of his time in the garden. I'd really like to be there with him. I'm definitely going to learn a new language. I hate going abroad and speaking English.



CASS I'm only 26 so I'm not going to retire soon! Jamie and I are going to have a baby next year and we're really excited about that. We want to have a big family and live in a big house. Then my children and grandchildren will all be able to stay.



SUE Well, Roger and I don't agree about this. I love work and I don't want to retire! I know I won't have anything to do.

ROGER I asked my boss at work recently and I might be able to retire next year. We might buy a house in France. I'd like to live there one day.

- 1 Lorna is thinking of retiring early.
- 2 She's looking forward to more time with her husband.
- 3 She's planning to a new language.
- 4 Cass and Jamie are planning to a big family.
- 5 They're looking forward to their first child.
- 6 Cass would like to in a big house.
- 7 Sue isn't looking forward to
- 8 Sue is sure she will bored.
- 9 Roger is hoping to early.
- 10 They're thinking of a house in France.