

The Past - Reading about childhood

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My name is Fatou. I was born in Ivory Coast in 1975. I lived in a city. I didn't go to school. I helped my parents at home.

My name is Sabah. I was born in 1970. I lived in Somalia. I started school when I was 8 and I left school when I was 10. I helped my mother.

My name is Hamida. I was born in Afghanistan in 1968. I didn't go to school because there was war. I helped my family at home.

My name is Mayasa. I was born in Iraq in 1975. I started school when I was 7 and I left school when I was 11.

My name is Mohamed. I was born in Morocco in 1972. I lived in a small village near Tangiers. I started school when I was seven and left when I was ten.

Read about the students. Choose a name.

1. Who was born in Afghanistan?
2. Who left school at the age of eleven?
3. Who worked in a market?
4. Who was born in Morocco?
5. Who helped their mother?
6. Who lived in a small village?
7. Who was born in 1968?
8. Who is now 50 years old?
9. Who started school at eight years old?
- 10 Who was born in Iraq?

Past tense verbs

Read the text again and write the past tense verbs

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work		is	
live		help	
start		don't	
leave		sell	

Answer the questions.

1. What did Abshir sell?
2. Where did Fatou live?
3. Who did Sabah help?
4. How old is Abshir now?
5. How old is Fatou now?