

UNIT 14

1 Read the statements 1-7. Listen to the text and tick the right statements.

The Rose of Turaida

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| 1 Mr Grief brought Maija up. | |
| 2 Victor Heil fell in love with Maija. | |
| 3 Victor was a soldier. | |
| 4 Adam Jakubovsky tried to trick Maija into marriage. | |
| 5 Maija gave Victor her red scarf. | |
| 6 Victor dropped his axe by the cave. | |
| 7 Peter Skudritz saved Victor from prison. | |

2 Complete the sentences using the verbs in the present perfect simple or the present perfect continuous form.

- 1 I have to change before I can come out. I (work) in the garden all the afternoon.
- 2 The kids (play) inside since morning. Let's send them out.
- 3 How long (Helen and Harry / be) married?
- 4 You look so tired. I wonder what you (do).
- 5 Thanks, I'm not hungry. I (eat) a sandwich.
- 6 Harris (try) to open the tin for half an hour now.
- 7 I (not finish) this exercise yet. Just give me a minute, will you?
- 8 How long (you / think) about moving house, Dad?
- 9 The boys (tell) the story over and over again.
- 10 It's nice to see you again. We (not speak) for a while. How (you / be)?

3 Read the text and do two tasks.

Each romantic relationship is unique. What works for your friend, might not be good for you and your girlfriend or boyfriend. When it comes to your relationship, it's probably better not to keep up with the couples from TV reality shows. Instead, use the following **guidelines** to make sure you have a healthy relationship.

1

It's natural to be a bit **uncertain** at the beginning of a new relationship but as you get to know each other, you should be able to trust your partner. Trust means knowing that your partner can always count on you and **vice versa**. A huge part of trust is knowing and respecting each other's **boundaries**. When your partner is out with friends, don't get **jelaous** or asume they're cheating on you. Everyone needs their personal space.

2

If you openly talk about what you each want from your relationship, you can be together without fear that the other will ignore or make fun of you. Don't forget that neither of you is a mind reader. You explain what's upsetting you rather than **assuming** your partner should know what you're thinking.

3

The beginning of a relationship is exciting, and you may want to spend all of your time together. It's easy to let other friendship and interests take a back seat during this time, but your relationship can't be your everything. That puts too much pressure on your partner and can be **suffocating**. Instead, you each have your own interests and friendships. Spending time away from each other can **strengthen** a relationship. It builds trust and lets you grow independently.

4

You and your partner support each other. When life gets hard, your partner helps you get through it. Your relationship may change as time passes. Instead of letting the fear of change control you, work through it together and support each other's **goals**. You both win if you recognize the other's need to grow.

TASK 1 Give the paragraphs (1 – 4) a title (A – E). There is one extra title.

- A** Give each other space. **C** Keep up your dreams **E** Be honest about expectations
B Build up trust. **D** Don't be afraid of change

TASK 2 Match the bold words in the text with their dictionary definitions below. There is one extra word.

1 *adj.* not completely confident or sure of something

2 *adj.* upset because someone that you love seems to be interested in another person.....

3 *adverb* what you have just said is also true in the opposite order

4 *noun* a general rule, a piece of advice

5 *noun* a real or imagined line that marks the edge or limit of something

6 *noun* an aim or purpose

7 *verb* to accept something as true without question or proof

8 *verb* to make something stronger or more effective