

# Check and reflect

**1 a** Complete the words with the correct endings, *-ed* or *-ing*.

- 1 The news was surpris\_\_\_\_\_. I was really surpris\_\_\_\_\_ when I heard it.
- 2 I was quite disappoint\_\_\_\_ with the film. The story was really disappoint\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 I had a really tir\_\_\_\_ day. I was so tir\_\_\_\_ when I finally got to bed.
- 4 I was so embarrass\_\_\_\_\_. It was a really embarrass\_\_\_\_\_ situation.

**b** Work in pairs. Talk about times when you experienced the things in Exercise 1a.

**2 a** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) my husband while I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) at university. We \_\_\_\_\_ (be) at the same party one night.
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (break) my leg while I \_\_\_\_\_ (ski). I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) down a difficult route and I \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) over.
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) my best friend at primary school. We \_\_\_\_\_ (paint) a picture together and we just \_\_\_\_\_ (not / stop) talking. We're still best friends today.
- 4 While I \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) around South America just after I \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) university, I \_\_\_\_\_ (start) to learn Spanish. I then \_\_\_\_\_ (become) a Spanish teacher.

**b** Write sentences about three significant events in your life. Work in pairs and discuss them.

**3 a** Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

forget have reminds smile think

- 1 Saturday evening TV always \_\_\_\_\_ me of my childhood.
- 2 The smell of chocolate always makes me \_\_\_\_\_ of my grandparents.
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ very happy memories of my primary school. I loved every second.
- 4 I'll never \_\_\_\_\_ the first time I rode a bike by myself. I felt so happy.
- 5 The song *Perfect Day* always makes me \_\_\_\_\_. It's such a great song.

**4 a** Complete the sentences with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs in the box.

be be able not be play

- 1 There \_\_\_\_\_ a big shopping centre. It opened just a few months ago, actually.
- 2 There \_\_\_\_\_ more small independent shops, but many of them have now closed.
- 3 We \_\_\_\_\_ football in the park, but they built offices there.
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ to drive in the city centre. Now cars are not allowed there.

**b** Think about a place you know well. Write three sentences about how it used to be different.

**5 a** Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

cheerful dull enjoyable extraordinary  
homesick optimistic peaceful stressful

- 1 I never feel \_\_\_\_\_, unless I'm away from home for a long time and then I sometimes do.
- 2 To be honest, I find reality TV quite \_\_\_\_\_ and boring, but I love watching action films and documentaries.
- 3 There are some lovely, \_\_\_\_\_, quiet places near where I live. I go walking there quite often.
- 4 I usually get nervous before an exam. I find them quite \_\_\_\_\_, to be honest.
- 5 I think there are some amazing buildings where I live. Some of them are quite \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 I find cooking very \_\_\_\_\_. If I've got time, I really like preparing nice meals for my friends and family.
- 7 I love spending time with Denise, she's always really \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 The exam was really difficult but I feel \_\_\_\_\_ and think I'll pass!

**b** Work in pairs. Decide if the sentences in Exercise 5a are true or false for your partner. Then check and find out more information.

**6 a** Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 It's *a* such/such a great city.
- 2 It was *so/such* boring!
- 3 I spent *so/such* much money.
- 4 We were having *so/such* a good time that we didn't want it to end.
- 5 I'm *too/enough* young to remember it.
- 6 I'm not *enough good/good enough* yet. I need to improve at it.
- 7 It was *too/such* expensive. I didn't have *enough money/money enough* to buy it.

**b** Replace *it* in the sentences in Exercise 6a to make true sentences. Work in pairs and compare your ideas.