

## Vox pops

1 Work with a partner. Discuss the meaning of the words in bold. Then match memories 1–4 in column A to memories a–e in column B.

A *I remember ...*

- 1 playing on the front **lawn**
- 2 the hot summer of 1976
- 3 **being dragged to** my first dance class
- 4 sitting on the bottom of the pool

B *I remember ...*

- a **hosepipe** parties
- b liking it in the end
- c the colour of my dad's **trunks**
- d the **dappled** sunlight and the silvery **bark** of a tree

2 Watch the video. Do sections 1 and 2.

*What's your earliest childhood memory?*

- 1 Check your predictions from exercise 1 and note down extra details.

*Do you associate any particular sounds or smells with memories?*

*What are they?*

- 2 Circle the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 Peter associates the smell of the earth with *a work colleague he used to have / a job he used to have / the time he spent in the forest as a child.*
- 2 Deborah remembers the sound of *her mother kicking her old car / her neighbour driving away in his old car / her neighbour having problems with an old car.*
- 3 Devon associates the smell of petrol stations with his grandfather *getting frustrated with having to wait at the petrol station / kicking his old car / standing for ages in a long queue.*
- 4 Emily associates *a special sound / a certain perfume / five different smells* with her late grandmother.

3 Tick the items which trigger positive memory associations for you.

a piece of jewellery   
 cigarette smoke   
 a particular perfume or aftershave   
 a seashell   
 the smell of something cooking   
 a voice or accent   
 a certain item of clothing   
 a particular song

Work in small groups and describe your memory associations. Which are the most moving/the funniest/the happiest memories?

