

1 VOCABULARY

A Complete the sentences using the words in the box.

stepmother
stepson

couple
siblings

ex-girlfriend
roommate

coworkers
fiancé

classmates

1 Dave and Maggie recently got married. Now they are the Rosarios. It was the second marriage for both.

Dave's son, Dan, is now Maggie's _____. Dan likes his _____. Dan has new _____ too. Their names are Amy and Eric.



2 Joseph and Alice are a lovely _____. They have been in a relationship for more than a year and recently got engaged.

However, Joseph got a phone call from his _____ last night. She wanted Joseph to come back to her. Joseph told her that he is Alice's _____ now, but she didn't care. What should Joseph do?



3 Sara is such an outgoing person. She can easily make friends wherever she goes. She lives with a _____. Her name is Christina.

Tonight, she's hanging out with her _____ at a bar after work. While talking to someone familiar to her, she finds out that he was one of her _____ in high school. What a small world!



2 GRAMMAR

A Complete the sentences with the simple past form of each verb.

- 1 I _____ (talk) to Sam last night.
- 2 Kim _____ (plan) the event all by herself.
- 3 I _____ (put) your bag on the table.
- 4 John and Paul _____ (begin) writing songs together.
- 5 Jamie _____ (not read) the novel.
- 6 We _____ (eat) lunch at the cafeteria.
- 7 Dad _____ (buy) me a bicycle for my birthday.
- 8 Kayla _____ (feel) happy about the idea.
- 9 Dean _____ (not go) to school today.
- 10 Laura _____ (have) an accident a week ago.

B Choose the correct answers.

- 1 I **was / were** sorry about the news.
- 2 Freddie Mercury **was / were** a great singer.
- 3 Kevin and I **was / were** at the park.
- 4 It **wasn't / weren't** sunny yesterday.
- 5 There **was / were** a rainstorm last month.
- 6 We **are / were** very busy last weekend.
- 7 They **wasn't / weren't** at the market.
- 8 The exam **was / were** really difficult.
- 9 My mom and dad **was / were** on vacation.
- 10 Bob **is / was** reading a magazine when I called him.



C Complete the conversations with the simple past form of the verbs in the box.

1

do	have	go	meet	get	think	join
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A Carl, how did you meet your friend, Andrew?

B We _____ to college together.

A And did you meet in class?

B No, actually we _____ to know each other in a club.

A What club was it?

B The nursing club.

A But I _____ you studied engineering in college, not nursing.

B I _____. But here's what happened. Andrew wasn't a nursing major either, but he _____ the same idea as me.

A What was it?

B We _____ the club to meet girls. There weren't many girls in the engineering clubs.

A Did it work?

B No. I only _____ Andrew.

2

be	find	change	have
tell	start	know	travel

A I _____ out something interesting about my parents.

B What is it?

A They _____ their jobs for each other.

B That's interesting. You _____ me that they own a small business, right?

A Right. They _____ it before I was born. I already _____ that. But I just found out why they started it.

B So, what was the reason?

A They both _____ too much, and they wanted to spend more time together.

B That's nice. What did they do before?

A My dad was a salesman, and my mom was a flight attendant. They actually met each other on a plane.

B That's interesting. They _____ a good reason to change their jobs though.

A Yeah. They _____ always away from home before that.

3 READING

A Read about good ways to meet new friends. Write the correct heading for each section.

- Use Technology
- Have a Party
- Volunteer
- Take a Class
- Go to Cultural Events

B Read three people's statements. Match each statement to the right paragraph.

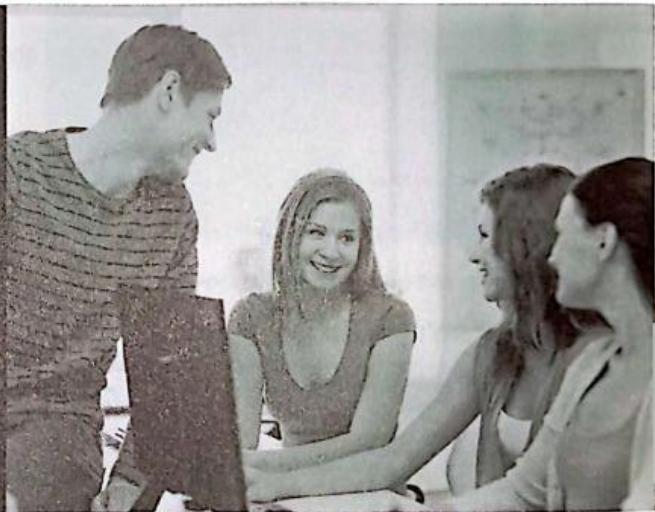
Bella – "I threw a small party last Saturday at my house. I got to know many great people." [paragraph ____]

Joshua – "Jamie and I met at First Friday Art Walks, which is a monthly art event. We found out we both love visual arts." [paragraph ____]

Mathew – "I was so happy that I found that there are many students who care about helping the poor. Most of the volunteers became close friends." [paragraph ____]

How to Meet New Friends

When I moved to a new town, I felt lost. Suddenly, I didn't have any friends! I realized that meeting new people is hard. I had to get creative! Today, I have lots of friends in my town. But finding them took some work. These are the activities that helped me meet new people. I know they'll work for you too. It doesn't matter if you're new to town or if you've lived in one place your whole life!

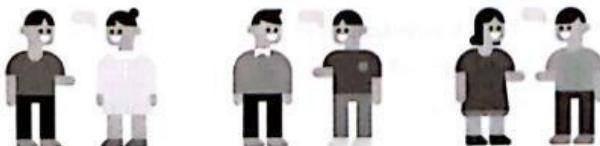


1 _____

What would you like to learn? Look for fun classes at colleges, cultural centers, and art stores. Your city might even offer free classes. Once you find something fun, be sure to talk to your classmates. Invite them to hang out after class too.

2 _____

Many of us don't even know our neighbors. Why not invite them over? Just provide some food and drinks, and be ready to talk. Asking people about their lives and interests is a good way to start.



3 _____

Next time your town has a fair or festival, go to it! Then look for opportunities to start conversations with others. Ask someone to recommend other events to you. Talk to people while waiting in lines or eating in public spaces.

4 _____

There are lots of services to help you find friends with similar interests in your area. Look online for meet-up groups, such as groups that hike together, practice a foreign language, or do whatever you are interested in.

5 _____

All sorts of charities and organizations need volunteers. Ask around or look online to find volunteer opportunities near you. Working together with others is a good way to get to know them. You'll also be supporting a cause you care about and finding other people who care too.

1 VOCABULARY

A Unscramble the words.

1 arkd → d _____ 2 emraird → m _____ 3 wte → w _____ 4 tbeter → b _____
 5 pu → _____ 6 yaerd → r _____ 7 gtoheter → t _____ 8 onalg → a _____

B Look at the pictures and complete the sentences. Use the words from A.



1 When it gets _____, the streetlights turn on.



2 James helps his daughter get _____ to go to school.



3 A couple is getting _____ in a church.



4 They get _____ every weekend.



5 Toby's cell phone got _____.



6 Pamela got much _____ after she got some rest.



7 They don't seem to get _____ well with each other.



8 Chien gets _____ early in the morning.

2 GRAMMAR

A Choose the correct answers.

- 1 A Are you free tonight?
B No, I've got **anything / something** to do.
- 2 A Did you find your cell phone?
B No, I didn't. I can't find it **anywhere / somewhere**.
- 3 A Can **anybody / anything** here speak Spanish?
B Yes, Aaron can.
- 4 A My company is having a hard time finding **somebody / nobody** who can work for us.
B There must be **something / someone** who perfectly fits the job.
- 5 A I think I've seen him **nowhere / somewhere** before.
B Oh yeah? Me too!
- 6 A What did you do during the weekend?
B **Something / Nothing** special. I just stayed at home.

B Correct the underlined part in each sentence.

- 1 I couldn't find my car keys somewhere.
- 2 I got a ride with anybody.
- 3 He is so polite that anybody hates him.
- 4 Anything is strange. There is no sound.
- 5 Don't worry. It's anything to be afraid of.
- 6 I've got anywhere to go this afternoon. I'll just stay at home.
- 7 Let's go nowhere nice for dinner.
- 8 I give up. There's something I can do anymore.



C Complete the conversations with the proper indefinite pronouns in the box.

1 something anything (x2) anybody

A I need to get some grocery shopping done this morning. I'm going to Nicky's Groceries. Do you need _____ from there?

B I had _____ to buy yesterday, but I forgot what it was! Oh, I used up all of the butter when I baked the cakes.

A Did you invite _____? You usually bake cakes when you invite someone special.

B No, I just made them because I was bored.

A OK, do you need _____ else?

B No, that's all. Thanks!

2 anywhere anybody something

A Did you go _____ this weekend?

B Nowhere special, just to a restaurant for dinner.

A Where did you go?

B I went to the Thai restaurant near your office. I was in the mood for _____ spicy.

A Oh, it must be Chao Phraya. Many of my coworkers like that restaurant. Did you see anyone you know there?

B No, I didn't see _____ I know.

3 something somewhere anyone

A Do you know _____ who decorates cakes?

B No, sorry. Why?

A I'm planning a birthday party for a friend. I want to do _____ really special for her.

B Does the party have a theme?

A It's flower-themed.

B I'm sure any cake shop could make a floral-themed cake. Just look for one online.

A Good idea. I want to buy the cake _____ close to her house.