

# 1

# Getting together

STEP 1

## The present and the past 1. 2. 8a

Underline the verbs in the text and then write them in the correct list: Present or Past.

Martin loves old films. He watches them on DVD. Yesterday he bought *The Third Man*, and he's watching it at the moment. The British film director Carol Reed made the film in 1949. The English writer Graham Greene wrote the story and Orson Welles, the great American actor, played the main role. A lot of people think it was the best British film of the 20th century. The action takes place in the Austrian capital, Vienna, in the 1940s. *The Third Man* is very exciting, full of mystery and surprise. Martin is really enjoying it.



### Present

..... loves .....

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### Past

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## 2 What's happening? 2

This picture is called *Welcome!* It shows a scene in a London café in the 1960s. Complete the description of the picture. Use the verbs in the box in the present continuous.

wear sit (x 2) eat laugh drink  
 come wash look at carry play

A woman <sup>1</sup> is coming into the café. She <sup>2</sup> ..... a dark suit and a big hat. She <sup>3</sup> ..... a dog under her arm. Two men <sup>4</sup> ..... at a table near the window. They <sup>5</sup> ..... cards. Two teenage girls <sup>6</sup> ..... ice cream. They <sup>7</sup> ..... . A man <sup>8</sup> ..... at a table near the counter. He <sup>9</sup> ..... coffee. The café owner <sup>10</sup> ..... cups and plates behind the counter. They <sup>11</sup> ..... all ..... the woman with the dog.



### 3 Reading *The fans are still crying*

Read the text about Elvis Presley. Then read the sentences and write *T* (true) or *F* (false) or *?* (the answer isn't in the text).



There's a long queue of people outside Graceland, a large house in Memphis, Tennessee.

This was the home of Elvis Presley, a man who, in the 1950s, changed popular music for ever. In 1956 he recorded a song called *Heartbreak Hotel*, and when young people heard it they were amazed.

His style of music was new and exciting. Suddenly, everyone wanted to listen to rock and roll and, thanks to Elvis Presley, it spread all over the world.

Hundreds of fans are here this morning. Some of them are carrying photos of Elvis; some of them are listening to his music on their headphones; some of them are crying. Every year thousands of people visit Graceland to say their personal goodbye to the man they call 'the King'.

When he left school, Elvis became a truck driver. Then in 1954 he started to make records. He was tall, dark and good-looking. Girls fell in love with him. Boys wanted to look like him – they copied his hairstyle and the way he moved.

During the last years of his life Elvis's health wasn't good. He died of a heart attack in 1977 when he was only 42. But for many people he's still 'the King', and the fans are still crying.



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|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| 1 Elvis lived at Graceland in Memphis. ....              | 5 Elvis's first job wasn't as a singer. .... |
| 2 Elvis created a different style of popular music. .... | 6 He made hundreds of records. ....          |
| 3 There aren't many people in the queue. ....            | 7 He ate very unhealthy food. ....           |
| 4 All the fans are carrying photos of Elvis. ....        | 8 He wasn't very old when he died. ....      |

### 4 A biography

Imagine you're Gemma Finch. Write sentences, using your fact file.

#### FACT FILE

- NAME:** Gemma Finch  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 1976 **PLACE OF BIRTH:** London  
**PROFESSION:** Writer
- Worked for BBC Television (1998 – 2001)
  - Most famous book: *Alone in the City* (2005)
  - Present project: a book about children in China

My name's <sup>1</sup>..... . I'm a <sup>2</sup>..... .  
 I'm <sup>3</sup>..... years old. I <sup>4</sup>..... in London.  
 I <sup>5</sup>..... BBC Television for <sup>6</sup>..... years.  
 I <sup>7</sup>..... my most famous book, *Alone in the City*, <sup>8</sup>..... 2005.  
 At the moment I <sup>9</sup>..... a book about children in China.

### 5 Extension

#### Word game

Add the first and the last letter to make complete nouns.

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|----------|--------------------|
| 1 UITA   | ..... GUITAR ..... |
| 2 OSTCAR | .....              |
| 3 ICKE   | .....              |
| 4 RIEN   | .....              |
| 5 CTO    | .....              |
| 6 INGE   | .....              |
| 7 AITE   | .....              |
| 8 OUNTE  | .....              |

STEP 2

**1 Key vocabulary Verbs + prepositions** 26

Write the sentences in a different way. Use the verbs in brackets + the correct preposition (about, at, for, from or to).

- She often has a conversation with her neighbour. (talk) She often talks to her neighbour .....
- When they talk about pop music, they never agree. (argue) They always .....
- I'm trying to find my bag. (look) I'm .....
- Shall I show you my holiday photos? (look) Do you want to .....
- Yasuko is from Japan. (come) Yasuko .....
- Tom always turns on the radio at 7 o'clock. (listen) Tom always .....
- I want an answer and I'm waiting. (wait) I'm .....
- I can't forget you! (think) I ..... every day.

**2 Present continuous: affirmative and negative** 2

Complete the sentences. Use the affirmative or the negative form of the present continuous.

- Jack isn't listening to the teacher because he 's thinking (think) about his new computer game.
- I ..... (enjoy) this party very much. Shall we go home?
- Kate's friends ..... (wait) for her because she isn't ready.
- I'm looking for my mobile, but you ..... (help) me!
- Harry's mum is trying to choose a jacket for him, but he ..... (look) at the jackets.  
 He ..... (look) at the DVDs.

**3 Present continuous: questions and short answers** 2

Make questions in the present continuous and complete the short answers.



1 A: I/hurt/you?  
Am I hurting you?  
 B: Yes, you are .....



2 A: you/make/a cake?  
 B: Yes, .....



3 A: we/move?  
 B: No, .....



4 A: the rain/come in?  
 B: Yes, .....



5 A: your brother/win?  
 B: No, .....



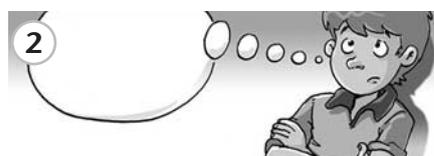
6 A: they/play well?  
 B: No, .....

## 4 Verbs + prepositions: questions with *What* and *Who* 26

Ask these people questions. Use *What* or *Who* + verb + preposition. Use verbs from Exercise 1.



1 *What are you listening to?*



## 5 Key expressions *Contradictions* 29

Complete the conversations. A contradicts B each time.

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| 1 A: Ugh! This pizza's terrible.<br>B: No, it isn't!<br>A: <i>Yes, it is!</i> ..... It's awful. | 3 A: You've got my sunglasses.<br>B: No, I haven't!<br>A: ..... ! They're mine.          |
| 2 A: I'm 17.<br>B: No, you aren't!<br>A: ..... ! It was my birthday yesterday.                  | 4 A: Sarah doesn't play volleyball.<br>B: Yes, she does!<br>A: ..... ! She plays hockey. |

## 6 Listening *What are they talking about?*

 Listen to the three conversations. Then answer these questions.

### Conversation 1

- 1 What are they waiting for?  
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- 2 What time is it now?  
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### Conversation 2

- 1 What are they looking at?  
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- 2 Is the girl in Paris now?  
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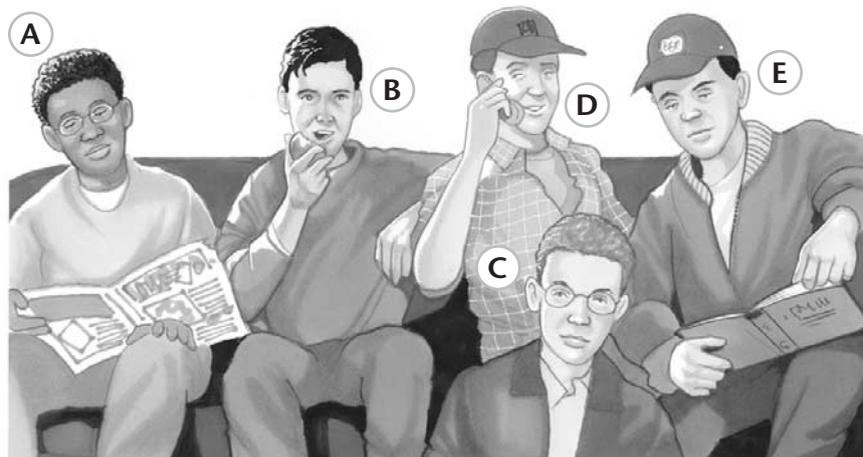
### Conversation 3

- 1 Where are they?  
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- 2 What are they looking for?  
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## 7 Extension *A puzzle*

Look at the picture and read the sentences. Can you find the boys' names?



Leo's wearing glasses. Rob isn't eating. Max and Rob aren't wearing baseball caps. Charlie isn't talking on his mobile. Leo and Dave aren't reading.

- A = .....  
 B = .....  
 C = .....  
 D = .....  
 E = .....

**STEP 3** 'Postcards': Vocabulary check

**1** Look at the words in the box. Can you find four nouns?

full moon    halfway    headphones    low  
 it sounds    nice and warm    right now  
 sunset    I wonder    tour

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 .....

**2** Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box in Exercise 1.



- 1 New York was wonderful. We got a bus and did a ..... of Manhattan.
- 2 It's a beautiful night. There's a .....
- 3 Dave has had an accident. I don't know what happened but ..... serious.
- 4 I can't talk to you ..... I'm very busy.
- 5 Paul's on holiday. .... what he's doing at the moment.
- 6 The lights in the club were ..... and I couldn't see very well.
- 7 There was a fabulous ..... this evening. The sky was red and gold.
- 8 A: That's a good coat for the winter.  
 B: Yes, it's .....
- 9 The stereo's too loud. Why don't you listen to your music on your ..... ?
- 10 The boat was in the middle of the Atlantic, ..... between England and America.

**3** Translate these sentences into your language.

- 1 A: What are you looking for?  
 B: My keys. I think I left them on the counter at the sports shop.

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- 2 A: The tickets are on the table.  
 B: No, they aren't. Where are they?

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- 3 A: Sorry I'm late.  
 B: Hurry up! We're meeting Lisa outside the café at half past six.

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- 4 Martin's living somewhere in Japan at the moment.

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- 5 A: Look at Nick! He's wearing a suit and a tie.  
 B: You're joking! I wonder where he's going.

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- 6 You aren't listening to me. You're thinking about something. What are you thinking about?

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# Unit 1 Learning diary

Date .....

## Now I know how to:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>use the present continuous to describe a picture.<br/>                     The picture shows a scene in a café. A man and a woman ..... sitting at a table, but they ..... talking to each other. A waiter ..... working behind the counter.</li> </ul> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>give a short biography of a famous person in the past.<br/>                     James Dean was an American actor. He ..... born in 1931. He ..... three films. He ..... only 24 when he ..... in 1955.</li> </ul>                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>make questions with verbs + prepositions.<br/>                     I'm waiting for someone. Who are you waiting ..... ?<br/>                     I talked to some interesting people. Who did you talk ..... ?</li> </ul>                               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>contradict someone.<br/>                     You never listen to me. Yes, I do!<br/>                     You're scared. No, ..... !<br/>                     You haven't got my address. Yes, ..... !</li> </ul>                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>write a postcard.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### KEY WORDS

#### Verbs + prepositions

- look at something = ..... (in my language)
- look for something = .....
- talk about something = .....
- think about something = .....
- wait for something = .....
- argue about something = .....
- come from (place of birth) = .....

### WORD WORK

- some ..., every ...
- some *one* .....
- some .....
- some .....
- every .....
- every .....
- every *where* .....