

Unit 1

1 Getting to know you

Grammar

Tenses and questions

STARTER

2 Getting to know you

- 1 A Where were you born?
B In Hamburg, Germany. (c)
- 2 A What do you do?
B I'm a student. (e)
- 3 A Are you married?
B No, I'm not. (d)
- 4 A Why are you learning English?
B Because I need it for my job. (f)
- 5 A When did you start learning English?
B Two years ago. (a)
- 6 A How often do you have English classes?
B Twice a week. (b)

My life up to now!

- 1 She comes from Portrush, Northern Ireland. She is in London now. A 'busker' sings or plays a musical instrument on the streets and people give them money if they like it.

Possible answer for things in her present, past, and future:

She is studying at the Royal College of Music.
She was born in a seaside town in Northern Ireland.
Next year, she is going to study in Milan.

2 PRESENT

- 2 'm living
- 3 'm studying
- 4 like
- 5 don't have
- 6 make
- 7 miss
- 8 have
- 9 has

PAST

- 11 left
- 12 didn't want
- 13 won
- 14 couldn't say
- 15 'm going to continue
- 16 'm going to study

She's working as a busker because it's very expensive to live in London and she doesn't have a job, so she makes a bit of money from busking.

She left home because she won a scholarship to study music.
 She's excited because she's going to study at the largest music academy in Italy next year.

In your own words

4 They're Branna's parents.
 They don't work – they're retired teachers.
 An 'empty-nester' is a parent whose grown-up children have left home.
 Conor and Karen are now travelling the world.

5 Brady is their son (Branna's twin brother).

- 6 2 do, have
 3 did
 4 are, doing
 5 didn't, enjoy
 6 did, pay
 7 did, do
 8 are, going

GRAMMAR SPOT

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Present	Past	Future
We have two children they both left home we're going to visit Brana in Italy.

2 Present Simple and Present Continuous. Present Simple is used for facts or for things that are true all the time. Present Continuous refers to now.

- 3 Who ... ? My brother.
 Where ... ? In a seaside town.
 When ... ? Last night.
 Why ... ? Because I wanted to.
 How many ... ? Four.
 How much ... ? €10.
 How long ... ? For two weeks.
 Whose ... ? It's mine.
 Which ... ? The blue one.

Practice

A student in Canada – asking questions

1-2 A student in Canada

- I Hi, nice to meet you Mehmet. Can I ask you one or two questions?
 M Yes, of course.
 I First of all. **Where** do you come from?
 M I'm from Istanbul, in Turkey.
 I And **why** are you here in Toronto?
 M Well, I'm here mainly because I want to improve my English.
 I **How much** English did you know before you came?