# 1 Lifestyle



Actor Potter

### **Vocabulary 1: Lifestyle**

**a** Look at the verbs and adjectives that can all be used with the noun *lifestyle* to form collocations. Collocations are pairs or groups of words that are often used together.

	alternative	luxurious	
have	busy	quiet	
live a/an	chaotic	relaxing	lifestyle
lead	comfortable	sedentary	
	exciting	simple	
	healthy	stressful	

Underline those adjectives which could be used to describe *your* lifestyle.

**b** Work in pairs. Compare your adjectives with your partner, explaining your choices.

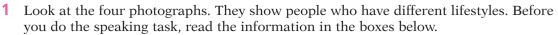
### Example:

I have quite a healthy lifestyle at the moment. I'm eating sensibly and doing a lot of exercise.

- Discuss the following questions. As in other parts of this book, common collocations are shown in **bold**.
  - Would you like to **change your lifestyle**? Why/Why not?
  - Do you lead an active social life? What kinds of things do you do?
  - What do you think is meant by the **American way of life**? How would you describe the **way of life** in your country to a foreigner?
  - What are some of the positive and negative aspects of our **modern way of life**? In what ways, if any, was the **traditional way of life** in your country better?
  - Why are people so interested in the **private lives** of celebrities? Do they interest you?



### Talking about photos



**Student A** Compare photographs **1** and **2** and say what you think the people might find difficult about their lifestyles.

**Student B** When your partner has finished, say which lifestyle you would prefer to lead.

Now change roles. Follow the instructions above using photographs **3** and **4**.

### How to go about it

### Student A

 In Part 2 of the speaking exam you are not asked to describe the photographs in detail, but to compare them. When doing this, comment on the similarities and differences:

Similarities: Both pictures show ...

**Differences:** In the first picture ... whereas in the second one ...

 When talking about what the people might find difficult about their lifestyles, give reasons for your opinions. You could comment on some of the following:

 daily routine
 working hours
 leisure time
 type of home
 friends

 eating habits
 health
 travel
 family life

### Student B

In the exam you have time to develop your answer fully and give reasons for your choice.

### Useful language

I get the impression it's a stressful life.

I expect/imagine she has to get up early.

He probably spends a long time away from home.

I doubt that she has much time for a social life.

Perhaps he doesn't see his family very often.

**She might/may** get lonely during the day.

What might the people find difficult about their lifestyles?





Fisherman

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Part 7

### Multiple matching

You are going to read an article in which four people talk about their lifestyles. For questions **1–10**, choose from the people (**A–D**). The people may be chosen more than once.

### How to go about it

- Read all the questions to see the kind of information you are looking for.
- Read section A, then look again at the questions, answering any that you can.
   To help you, one part of section A has been underlined. Match this part to one of the questions.
   Then look in the rest of section A for any more answers.
- Do the same for the other three sections. Underline the relevant parts of the text as you answer the
  questions.
- If there are any questions you have not answered, scan the whole text again looking for the information
  you need.

### Which person

admits to having an untidy house?	1
could not imagine doing any other type of work?	2
likes the unpredictable nature of their work?	3
is not particularly keen on taking exercise?	4
says they start the day like many other people?	5
does not have to go far to get to their place of work?	6
never has any trouble getting to sleep?	7
used to feel lonely while working?	8
says that people have the wrong idea about their work?	9
would prefer to go to bed earlier on many occasions?	10

### This is your life

Four more personal accounts in our series on different lifestyles

### A Colin Dobson: television and stage actor

Normally I get out of bed around midday. <u>I'll</u> sometimes go for a run after I get up, though it's not really my idea of fun. I'm not a fitness fan, but I realize it's important.

When I'm not rehearsing or on tour, afternoons usually involve reading scripts or learning lines. My wife and two sons are also actors, so at home there are usually scripts lying all over the place. It's a bit of a mess, I'm ashamed to say. I'm passionate about history, and if I'm working away from home, I spend the afternoons in museums or historic buildings. I always get to the theatre at the last minute, which annoys my co-actors, but I don't like arriving anywhere early.

After a performance I eat and spend a few hours unwinding, so bedtime is often two or three in the morning. I always fall asleep as soon as my head hits the pillow.





### **B Jodie Miller: potter**

Before I started renting the workshop at the open-air museum, I would crawl out of bed in the morning, get 20 dressed and go straight into the garage, which I'd converted into a studio. Now I get the train and a bus, so I have to get up early and my morning routine is dull and conventional, the same one that's played out in millions of households.

25 On the plus side, though, I get to meet lots of people: there are the museum visitors that come into the workshop every day to watch me working, the other craftspeople – the broom maker, the blacksmith or the glassblower – and I also give classes. Working at 30 home was a solitary business and I hated the fact that I would often go for days without speaking to anyone.
I get lots of requests for personalized mugs, and evenings are spent packaging up orders to send out the next day. I often get to bed later than I would like.

### C Janie Collins: farm vet

I used to have a dog and we'd go running together most mornings, but I gave him to my mum in the end. I tend to be out all day visiting farms and it wasn't fair to leave him alone. So now I don't get as much exercise as I'd like to.

I love my job, especially the variety and not knowing what you'll be doing from one day to the next. But being a vet – any type of vet – is not what people think. It's not all cuddly lambs and cute little pigs. We have to do some pretty unpleasant things sometimes, things which would put you off working with animals for life.

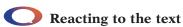
My mum wants to know when I'm going to settle down with someone, but there's no room for a dog in my life, so I don't see how I'll be able to fit marriage in.



### D Mark Fudge: fisherman

50 My flat overlooks the port, so it's just a short walk to the *Ellie May*. That's our boat, the place I think of as home. I get lonely if I'm away from her for longer than a week or so – the crew is like a family to me.

I'm one of four deckhands, which means that the first
55 mate – the second in command after the captain – gets
us to do cleaning and maintenance work as well as
pulling in the nets, then washing, salting, icing and
storing the fish. We work hard – six hours on, six
hours off, six hours on, six hours off – every day for
60 seven weeks. It's tough, but I can't see myself in any
other profession. There's nothing else I'd rather do.



If you had to choose, which of the four people would you prefer to change places with for a month? Why?

### Language focus 1: Habitual behaviour

### A General tendencies

**1** Which of the alternatives in this sentence is not possible? I tend to be/use to be/am usually out all day visiting

Look at the Grammar reference on page 209 to see how tend to is used.

- 2 Make three general statements about some of the following groups of people in your country using tend to.
  - football players
- teachers
- teenagers
- people in cities
- elderly people
- people in villages

The best football players in my country tend to go abroad. They can earn much more money playing for foreign

### **B** Frequency adverbs

1 a Look at the following extracts from the reading text. In what position is the frequency adverb placed in relation to the verb?

I'll sometimes go for a run after I get up.

At home there are *usually* scripts lying all over the place.

I always get to the theatre at the last minute.

**b** In this sentence, two of the adverbs are in the correct position and two are not. Cross out the two incorrectly placed

Normally/Always/Sometimes/Never I get out of bed around midday.



Check your ideas in the Grammar reference on page 209.

- 2 For sentences 1–6, decide if the position of the adverb is possible. If it is not possible, correct the sentence.
  - 1 I rarely go out on weekday evenings.
  - 2 I have usually my dinner in front of the television.
  - 3 Never I spend more than ten minutes doing my English
  - 4 Companies are always phoning me in the evening, trying to sell me something – I get so annoyed.
  - 5 Hardly I ever play computer games I prefer reading.
  - 6 It's rare for me to go to bed before midnight, and guite often I'll stay up until two in the morning.
- 3 Say whether or not the sentences in exercise 2 are true for you. Use frequency adverbs and the alternatives in the Grammar reference on page 209.

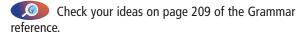
### Example:

1 It's rare for me to stay at home on weekday evenings. I usually do some type of sport; I tend to go running if it's not raining, and if it is, I'll often go swimming or play badminton.

### C Used to and would

- **1** *Used to* and *would* can be used to talk about past habits. Look at these sentences from the reading text and answer the auestion.
  - a I would crawl out of bed and go straight into the
  - **b** I would sometimes go for days without speaking to
  - **c** I **used to** have a dog and we'**d** go running together most mornings.

In all three sentences, used to could be used instead of would/'d before the verbs crawl and go, but in sentence c, it is **not** possible to say *I* would have a dog. Why is this?



- 2 In the following paragraph, decide whether the underlined verbs can be used with:
  - a both used to and would
  - **b** only used to
  - c neither used to nor would



In the bad old days my mum (1) had an executive position in a pharmaceutical company. She often (2) worked long hours and sometimes (3) went away on business trips for two or three days at a time. Our dear old gran (4) looked after us on those occasions, but it wasn't the same as having a mum around. My brother and I (5) didn't like her being away from home, but we never once (6) said anything, because we always (7) thought she was happy in her work. Then one day she (8) announced she was giving up her job to spend more time with her family. We (9) were delighted at the change in lifestyle, but I'm not sure about my mum: she often (10) said afterwards that being a full-time mother was harder than being a business executive!

**3** Write six sentences comparing your life now with your life five years ago. Write about things which have changed.

### Example:

I didn't use to have a job, but now I work on Saturdays so I have more money.

### Vocabulary 2: Get

- **a** Look at these sentences from the reading text on pages 8 and 9 and try to remember who said each one. The first one has been done for you.
  - a I get to meet lots of people. the potter
  - **b** Normally I **get out of bed** around midday.
  - c I don't get as much exercise as I'd like to.
  - **d** I **get lonely** if I'm away from her for longer than a week or so.
  - e I get the train and a bus.
  - **f** I always **get to the theatre** at the last minute.
  - g The first mate gets us to do cleaning and maintenance work ...
  - **h** I **get** lots of **requests** for personalized mugs.

Check your answers on pages 8 and 9.

**b** What is the meaning of the words in **bold** in sentences **a-h** above?

**Example:** a have the opportunity to meet

- 2 The following sentences all contain phrasal verbs or expressions with *get*. Underline the correct alternative. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**.
  - **0** That jumper looks so old and dirty. When are you going to **get** away/along/lost/<u>rid</u> **of** it?
  - 1 Here's my telephone number. If you have any problems, just **get in** *talk/speak/touch/tact* **with** me.
  - **2** I heard she was a lovely woman. Unfortunately I never **got the** *occasion/event/ ability/chance* **to** meet her.
  - **3** I asked him how much he **got** *paid/earned/money/salary* but he refused to tell me.
  - **4** Come on, hurry up and **get** *moved/ready/ordered/fit!* Your bus leaves in five minutes.
  - **5** His parents are concerned about his behaviour. He's always **getting into** *problem/trouble/punishment/damage* at school.
  - **6** His girlfriend left him in March and he still hasn't **got** *past/off/by/over* it.
  - 7 I can't speak French very well, but I always manage to **get** *across/through/by/over* with a dictionary and a few gestures.
  - **8** They wanted to get to the opera house but they **got** *up/out of/on/off* the wrong bus and ended up at the football stadium.



- 3 Discuss the following questions.
  - How quickly do you get ready for school/work in the morning?
  - How do you get to school/work? How long does it take you to get there?
  - Did/Do you often **get into trouble** at school? What was the worst thing you ever did?
  - Did/Do your parents ever **get you to do any jobs** around the house? How did/do you feel about this?
  - What sort of things do you do when you **get angry**? How quickly do you **get over your anger**?

### **Vocabulary 3: Clothes**

How many of the items of clothing in the photographs can you name?



The following adjectives can be used to describe clothes. Which of them can you match to the photographs?

tight-fitting	formal	tasteful	trendy
baggy	colourful	unfashionable	scruffy
casual	plain	smart	sleeveless

## Listening 1

## Multiple matching 1.1–1.5



You will hear five different people talking about occasions when a person's clothes and appearance caused surprise or concern. For questions 1-5, match the speaker to the correct occasion in the list **A–H** on page 13. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

Before you do the task ...

### **Prediction**

guest spectator audience competitor witness star candidate host invigilator opponent

Match each of the people in the box to the appropriate occasion **A-H** in the listening task on page 13. More than one word may be used for each occasion and some words may be used twice.

e.g. A wedding: guest, witness

What other people might you also find in each of the situations?

e.g. At a wedding the people who get married are the bride and groom.

- 2 Where does each occasion take place? e.g. A wedding usually takes place in a church or a registry office.
- 3 What clothes would you personally wear on the occasions A-H mentioned in the listening task on page 13?

e.g. If I was going to a wedding, I would buy an expensive dress. I would probably wear highheeled shoes.

Now you are ready to do the task.

### What to expect in the exam

- You will have 30 seconds to read the eight options. Use this time to try to predict some of the ideas and language you might hear, as you did on page 12.
- Some of the extracts may contain distractors (key words or expressions which could cause you to make the wrong decision). Pay close attention both times you hear the recording.

A a wedding		
<b>B</b> a friend's birthday party	C., l 1	1
C a classical ballet	Speaker 1	1
C a classical ballet	Speaker 2	2
<b>D</b> a sporting event		
1 0	Speaker 3	3
<b>E</b> a film premiere	Speaker 4	4
<b>F</b> an examination	Speaker 4	4
1 an examination	Speaker 5	5
<b>G</b> a job interview	- P	



Have you ever been in a situation where someone's appearance caused surprise?

# Language focus 2: Be used to, get used to and used to

**H** a special family meal

- **1** Look at the following sentences from the listening. In which of them does *used to* 
  - a mean 'accustomed to'?
  - **b** refer to a past state which has now finished?
  - 1 Her unconventional, yet practical clothing shocked spectators, who were used to seeing women play in the long, heavy dresses which were typical of that period.
  - 2 And he **used to** live in France, which means he probably wouldn't mind changing countries if we needed him to.
  - 3 ...he will have to **get used to** wearing something a little more formal.
- **2** What is the difference in meaning between *be used to* and *get used to*?
- **3** What form of the verb is used after be used to and get used to?

Check your answers on page 209 of the Grammar reference.

- 4 Talk about all the things you have to *get used to* in the following situations:
  - you get your first job
  - you become famous
  - you go on a diet
  - · you get married
  - · you have children
  - · you retire

### Example:

In a new job, you might have to get used to working together with other people.

- **5 a** If you went to live in Britain, what aspects of life there would you find it difficult to *get used to*?
  - **b** Read the following text about Juan, who moved from Spain to live in England. Ignore the gaps for the moment. How many of the things which you spoke about in **a** are mentioned?

Now that Juan has been living in England for five years he

(0) \_\_is\_\_\_ used to \_\_doing\_ (do) things differently, but it hasn't always been the case. When he first moved there he couldn't (1) \_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_ (have) lunch at 1pm, so he often (2) \_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_ (cook) for himself in his flat and eat at 3pm, as his family does in Spain. Even now I don't think he (3) \_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_ (eat) English food, because when he comes home to Madrid, he buys Spanish 'delicacies' to take back with him.

I remember how he **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_\_ (write) to me and complain about the shop closing times. It took him a long time to **(5)** \_\_\_\_ used to not \_\_\_\_\_ (be) able to buy anything after about five o'clock. Most shops in Spain close at eight or nine in the evening.

He bought an English car a year ago, so he should **(6)** \_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_ (drive) on the left by now. I wonder if he'll ever be able to **(7)** \_\_\_\_ used to \_\_\_\_ (drive) on the right again when, or if, he comes back to live in Spain!

c Read the text again.

In the first gap write either be, is, get, or leave it blank. In the second gap write the correct form of the verb in brackets.

There is an example at the beginning (0).

**d** What do you think a British person coming to your country might find it difficult to *get used to*?



### Informal letter

Read the following letter, which you have received from your English friend, Mark.

What two things does he ask you to tell him?

Would you accept Mark's invitation? Why/Why not?



Dear,

a) Many thanks for your last letter. The new house sounds brilliant – how are you settling in? b) I'm sorry I haven't written sooner, but I've been really busy helping my parents out on the farm.

It's great fun, though I still haven't got used to getting up at six every morning to milk the cows! We often have the radio on while we're doing it, so it's not too bad. Then, once we've had breakfast, we tend to spend the rest of the day outside, either in the fields or looking after the sheep.

c) That reminds me, do you remember Lady, our oldest sheepdog? Well, she's just had puppies! If you're free in the summer, you could come and see them all and help with the harvest as well. d) Let me know if you can make it - we'd love to see you again.

Anyway, e) I must go, as it's getting late and tomorrow we've got another early start. f) Can't wait to hear from you.

g) Best wishes

Mark

2 What is the purpose of each of the four paragraphs?

### Example:

Paragraph 1: To say thank you for the letter and to apologize for not writing before.

Match each underlined expression **a–g** from Mark's letter with an appropriate alternative from **1–10**. Which three phrases cannot be used and why are they inappropriate?

### Example: 1 e)

- 1 I'd better close now
- **2** Thanks a lot for the letter
- **3** Yours sincerely
- **4** By the way
- **5** All the best

- **6** I would be most grateful if you could inform me
- **7** I look forward to your prompt reply
- 8 Please write and tell me
- **9** I'm sorry it's taken me so long to write to you
- 10 I'm looking forward to hearing from you

Notice the use of contractions in Mark's letter: *I'm, it's* and *haven't*. These are typical of informal writing.

4 Find and circle the following linking words in Mark's letter. Then use an appropriate linker from the box to complete the gaps in sentences **1–5** on page 15. Each linker can be used more than once.

but while so and as well as

1	You'll never guess what happened to me I was shopping in the centre o town the other day!
2	I'm writing to ask you to do me a favour I've got myself into trouble.
3	We're having a party next Saturday we were wondering if you'd like to come. Bring a friend
4	I'd love to accept your invitation, I'm afraid I'm going to be busy.
5	I haven't got any plans  I'll certainly be able to go.

5 Read the following instructions.

Six months ago you moved to a new house in another part of your country. Write a reply to Mark's letter giving news about how you are settling in to your new surroundings and what a typical day is like. You should also say whether or not you can accept his invitation to go and stay on his farm in the summer.

Write your letter in 140-190 words.

### How to go about it

- Begin by referring in some way to the letter you have received from Mark.
- Use some of the informal language and linkers that you have just studied.
- Organize your letter into logical paragraphs, as in the letter from Mark.

Listening 2

### Multiple choice 1.6–1.13

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1–8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

### What to expect in the exam

- The eight recorded extracts are either monologues or conversations. You hear each one twice.
- You will hear distractors. Listen carefully both times to the whole of each extract.
- 1 You hear two people talking about a friend of theirs. What does the woman say about the friend?
  - **A** He talks a lot about his lifestyle.
  - **B** He leads a comfortable lifestyle.
  - **C** He may change his lifestyle.
- **2** You overhear a man talking to a friend on his mobile phone. Why is he phoning?
  - A to persuade his friend to do something
  - **B** to ask for some information
  - C to change an arrangement
- **3** You hear a woman talking about her family's financial situation. What is she going to do?
  - A ask someone to help her
  - **B** try to find a job
  - **C** sell something valuable
- **4** You overhear a man and a woman talking about their morning routine.
  - How does the man feel about his mornings?
  - A He hates travelling to work.
  - **B** He does not like getting up early.
  - **C** He finds it difficult to talk to other people.

- **5** You hear a woman on the radio talking about her experiences in a foreign country.
  - What surprised her about the people?
  - **A** the importance they give to clothes
  - **B** the type of food they eat
  - **C** their attitude to work
- **6** You turn on the radio and hear the following. What is it?
  - **A** a review
  - **B** a news report
  - C an advertisement
- **7** You hear two people talking about the village they both live in.
  - What does the woman think of the village?
  - **A** People are not always very friendly.
  - **B** Some of the roads are dangerous.
  - C There are not enough children.
- **8** You hear a man talking about his job. Who is the man?
  - A a hotel doorman
  - **B** a hotel receptionist
  - C a hotel manager

# 1 Review



### **Transformations**

For questions **1–6**, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given. Here is an example **(0)**.

**0** How long was your journey from London to Manchester?

### **TAKE**

How long \_\_DID IT TAKE YOU TO\_ get from London to Manchester?

Write the missing words **IN CAPITAL LETTERS**.

### What to expect in the exam

- The second sentence of a transformation is a paraphrase of the first sentence; it expresses the same idea but with different words.
- Transformations test your knowledge of grammar, vocabulary and collocation.
  - In the transformations below, all the language which is tested appears in Unit 1, including the Grammar reference on page 209.
- More than one feature of grammar and/ or vocabulary may be tested in a single transformation.

In number **1** below, for example, consider:

- the verb and preposition used with the word *rid*.
- the form of the verb after How about.

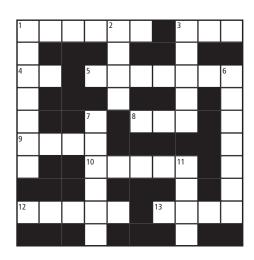
1	Why don't you throw away that old blouse? <b>RID</b> How about	that old blouse?
2	I still find it strange to wear glasses. <b>USED</b> I still haven't	glasses.
3	He never asks when he borrows my things! <b>ALWAYS</b> He is	asking!
4	Simon doesn't usually drink coffee.  UNUSUAL  It	drink coffee.
5	Helen is not usually so pessimistic. <b>LIKE</b> It is	so pessimistic.
6	I can't wait to see you again.  FORWARD I'm really	you again.

### **Vocabulary**

### A Adjectives

For questions **1–6**, decide which of the three words is not normally used with the word in capitals at the end of the line. The first one has been done for you.

1	evening	<u>afternoon</u>	fancy	DRESS
2	high-heeled	expensive	tasteful	HAT
3	scruffy	plain	tight-fitting	SCARF
4	unfashionable	sleeveless	trendy	SHOES
5	stressful	baggy	chaotic	LIFESTYLE
6	long-sleeved	modern	traditional	WAY OF LIFE



### **Expressions crossword**

Expressions for use in informal letters Across 1 Many \_\_\_\_\_ for your letter. 5 I'm looking \_\_\_\_\_ to hearing from you.8 By the \_\_\_\_\_ , how did the exam go? **9** Write back soon. Susie 12 I'm sorry it's \_\_\_\_\_ me so long to write to you. Down 2 Let me \_\_\_\_\_ if you can make it. 7 Anyway, I'd \_\_\_\_\_ close now. 11 Can't wait to \_\_\_\_\_ from you.

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- 3 Chewing gum is forbidden in class get \_\_\_\_\_ of it now! 4 If you don't get \_\_\_\_\_ the train now, it'll leave without you!

  10 They said they'd get in \_\_\_\_ with me, but so far they haven't written or phoned. 13 How much do you get \_\_\_\_\_ a week in your job?
- **Down** 
  - 1 He's always getting into \_\_\_\_\_ with the police.
  - **3** Turn off the television right now and get \_\_\_\_\_ for school.
  - **6** I had a shower, got \_\_\_\_\_ and then went out for a walk.

### C People

Each of the words for people **1–6** has a relationship of some kind with one of the words a-f. Match the words and then use them to complete the sentences below. You may need to use plural forms.

**1** invigilator a groom 2 host c patient **b** spectator **3** bride 4 competitor d audience **5** performer **e** candidate **f** guest **6** doctor

I	The youngest	_ in the stadium surprised	tne	by winning
	the 400 metres in record t	ime.		
2	The only person I recognize	zed at the party was the $\_$	; I did	ln't know any

of the other \_\_\_\_ 3 The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ looked very happy as they walked back down the aisle after the ceremony.

4 Many members of the \_\_\_\_\_ left the theatre before the end of the play, disappointed at the acting of some of the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

5 After a thorough examination the \_\_\_\_\_ could find nothing wrong with his

**6** One of the \_\_\_\_\_ was caught cheating in the exam by the \_\_\_\_\_

### Writing

Write a short article of 140-190 words about your lifestyle. Use texts A-D in the article on pages 8 and 9 as models. Include some of the vocabulary and grammatical structures you have studied in this unit.