

English Plus 2

Workbook

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Family talk

My grandson by Fred Barker



Ollie is my only grandson. He's thirteen now and he doesn't live far from me. He's a friendly boy and after school, he often visits me at home. We spend a lot of time talking about different things: sport, cars, films and his day at school. Ollie studies for an hour or two every evening and he always gets good marks in class.

But there's one bad thing about Ollie: he spends too much time in front of a screen. I sometimes say, 'Why are you on your phone when it's a nice day outside?' But maybe all these screens are normal for Ollie and his friends.

My grandfather by Ollie Barker



I like spending time with my grandfather – he's really nice. He lives alone in the next street and I see him most days after school. He sometimes helps with my homework – he's very good at maths.

He doesn't work now, but he's got a lot of hobbies. He listens to music and he enjoys doing sport – he runs every day. He's very interested in photography and he lets me use his new camera.

We've got very different ideas about one thing: phones! Sometimes, when I'm on my phone, he says, 'Why don't you play football in the park with your friends?' Who knows? Maybe he's got the right idea!

1 ★ Read the text. Choose the correct answer.

Ollie lives ...

a very near his grandfather.

b with his grandfather.

c in a different town from his grandfather.

2 ★★ Read the text again and write *true* or *false*.

Ollie's grandfather has got three grandsons. false

1 Ollie and his grandfather always talk about one thing.

2 Ollie is a good student.

3 Ollie spends a lot of time in front of a screen.

4 Ollie's grandfather works at a school.

5 Ollie's grandfather likes photography.

6 Ollie's grandfather is happy when Ollie is on his phone.


3



Read the text again. Complete the sentence with one word from the text.

Ollie is thirteen years old.

- 1 Ollie often visits his grandfather at
- 2 Every evening, Ollie for one or two hours.
- 3 Ollie is often on his
- 4 Ollie's grandfather has got a lot of different
.....
- 5 Ollie sometimes uses his grandfather's
.....
- 6 Ollie and his grandfather have got different
..... about phones.

4  Answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

What is Ollie like? *He's friendly.*

1 When does Ollie visit his grandfather?

2 What do Ollie and his grandfather talk about?

3 What is Ollie's grandfather good at?

4 What does Ollie's grandfather do every day?

5 Who do you often visit? What do you do at their home?

6 Do you spend a lot of time in front of a screen? Why / Why not?

5 **★★** **VOCABULARY PLUS** Complete the sentence with one of the verbs in brackets.

Our school doesn't allow food in the science labs.
(doesn't allow / doesn't let)

1 My mum and dad only me watch TV when I finish all my homework. (allow / let)

2 Our parents us to play video games for more than an hour a day.
(don't allow / let)

3 Our school phones in class.
(lets / bans)

4 Our dad TVs in our bedrooms.
We always watch the TV downstairs together.
(doesn't allow / doesn't let)

Jamie What are you doing today?

Lisa Nothing much. **1 Shall we do something?**

Jamie I don't want to stay at home all day. It's boring.

Lisa Well, what do you want to do?

Jamie I don't know. I just want to go out.

Lisa **Why don't we go for a bike ride?** We can take a sandwich.

Jamie It's really cold. **I don't feel like cycling.** when it's cold.

Lisa Mmm. Well, I don't want to play computer games all day.

Jamie **How about going into town?** There's a new café on the High Street. They say it's very good.

Lisa **That sounds like a good idea.** We can go to the shopping centre, too.

Jamie I don't know about the shopping centre, but the café sounds good.

Let's finish our homework now. and then get the bus into town.

Lisa OK.

Based on the dialogue on page 14 and key phrases write a new dialogue and send it.

KEY PHRASES

Making and responding to suggestions (1)

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| 1 Shall we do something? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 That sounds like a good idea. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 Let's finish our homework now. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 How about going into town? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 Why don't we go for a bike ride? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 I don't feel like cycling. | <input type="checkbox"/> |