

WELCOME





interests
OR hobbies



1 Read the information about part of a school website. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Have you got something similar in your school?
- 2 What do you think of the idea?



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Would you like to meet other students at Bryans High School who share your hobbies and interests? It's easy with all.about.me.

- 1 Click [here](#) and create an account.
- 2 Post a photo and your profile – tell everyone about you, your interests and your plans.
- 3 Read about other students and click on 'Connect' to make new friends.



Hi everyone. I'm Lucas. I live with my parents, my sister and my two brothers. Some of my classmates think I'm quite serious, but I don't agree. I'm just a bit shy, and I'm quite independent. My main interest outside of school is computers and gaming. But I'm not just a gamer. Right now, I'm **taking part** in a competition for young game designers. So at weekends, I'm learning to **code** with my aunt. She's a professional coder. She's also a really **patient** teacher – I'm finding coding impossible at the moment!



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technology fitness



Hello! I'm Grace. I live with my mum and dad. I'm an **only child** – so no brothers or sisters. My friends and family say I'm a cheerful person. And they're right. I think there's always something to smile about! In my free time, **I'm into** various typical teenage hobbies, but my favourite is sport. I'm in the school hockey and football teams. And this year I'm having tennis lessons. I'm really **making progress**, I think. In a few months, I'm going on a kayaking trip with my cousin. We've never done it before but we're really excited.



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My name's Alfie. I live with my mum, dad and sister, Melissa, right opposite the school. I'm quite friendly and funny, but I ¹ _____ be quite serious at times, too. One ² _____ my biggest interests is film: thrillers, drama, science fiction – I don't mind. I like watching ³ _____ all. One day, I think I'd like to work ⁴ _____ film.

This year, I want to visit a film studio. There's ⁵ _____ near London where all eight Harry Potter films were made. My dream is ⁶ _____ fly to Hollywood and see a studio there.

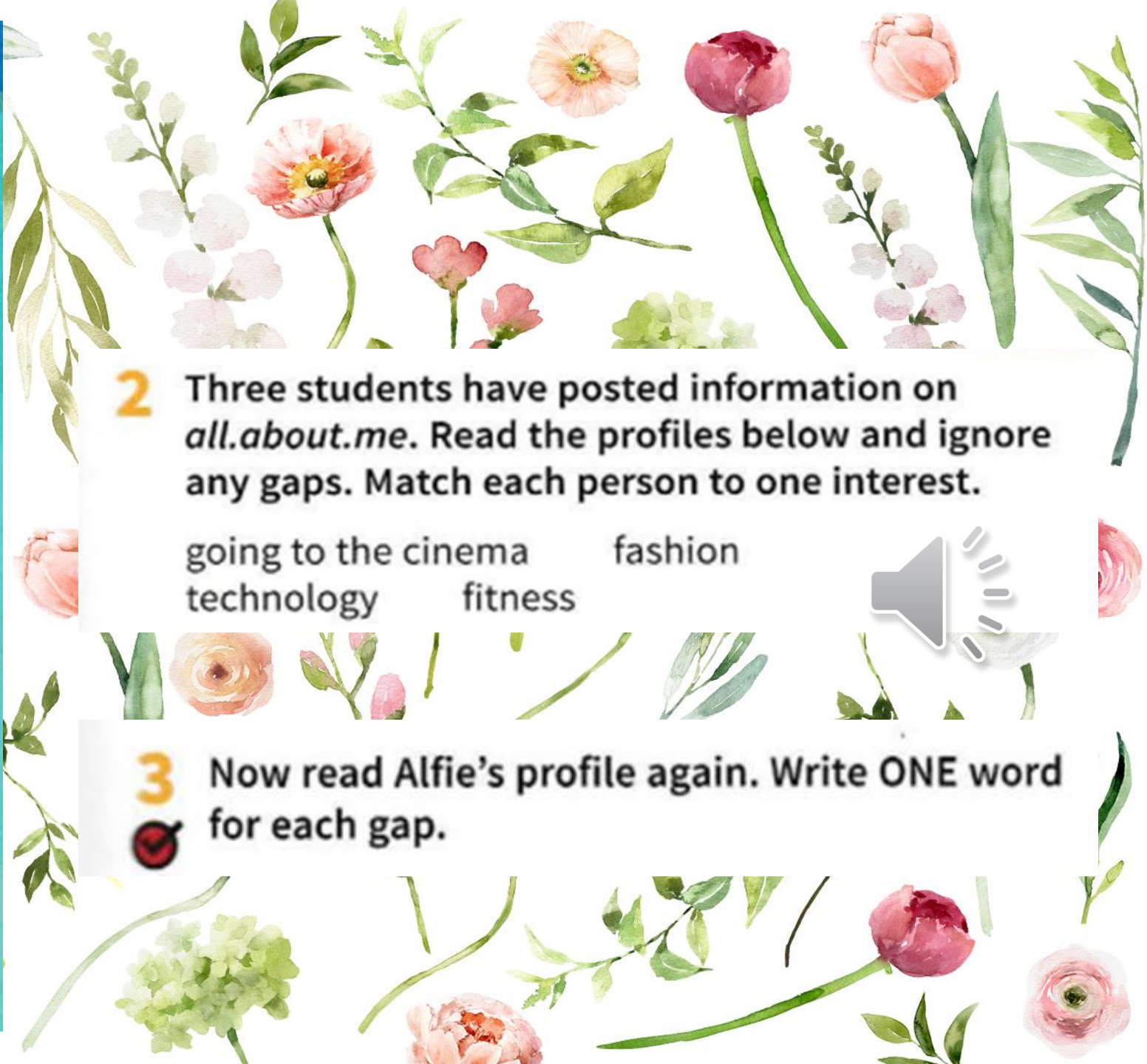


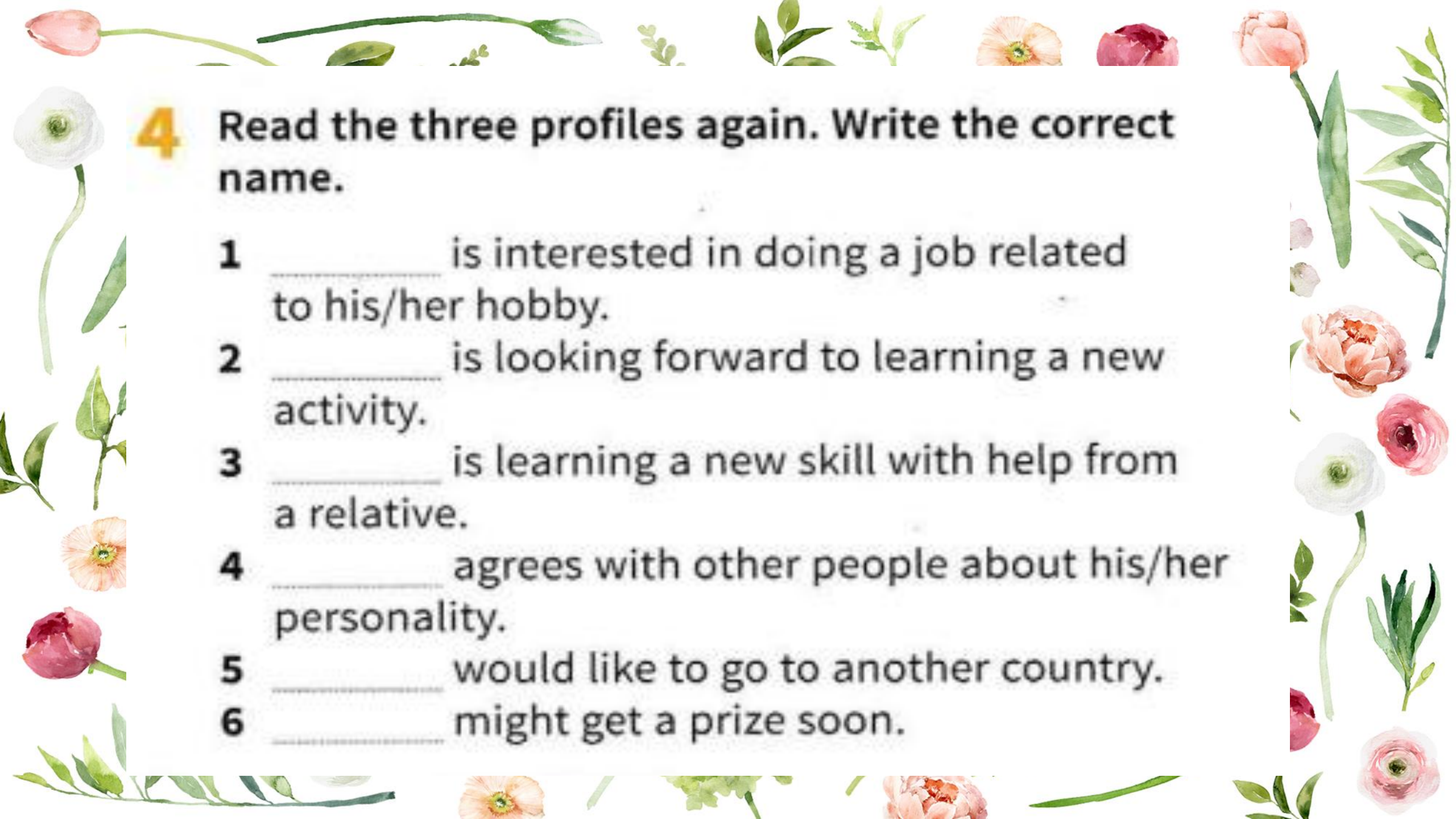
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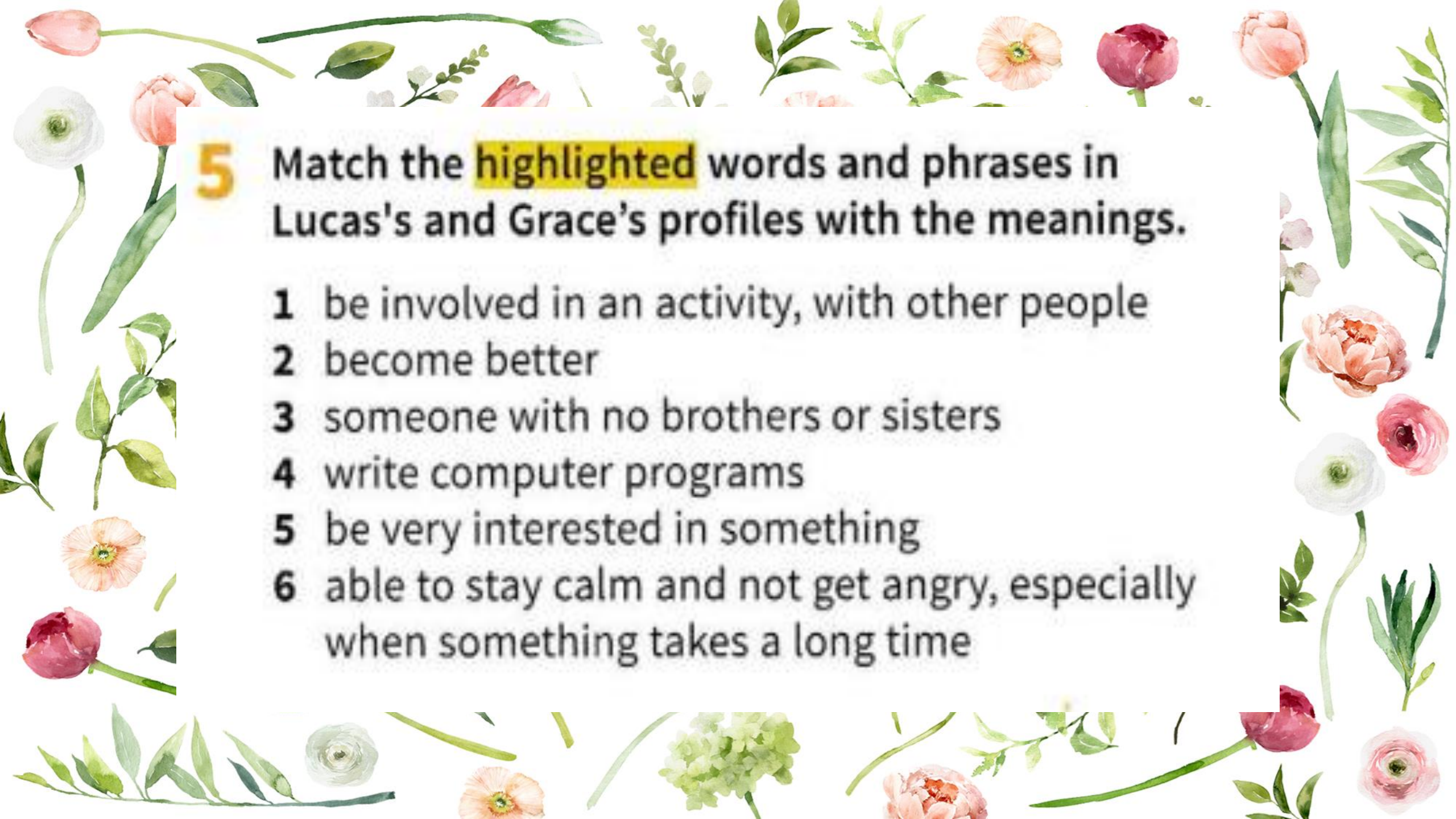
3 Now read Alfie's profile again. Write **ONE** word for each gap.





4 Read the three profiles again. Write the correct name.

- 1** _____ is interested in doing a job related to his/her hobby.
- 2** _____ is looking forward to learning a new activity.
- 3** _____ is learning a new skill with help from a relative.
- 4** _____ agrees with other people about his/her personality.
- 5** _____ would like to go to another country.
- 6** _____ might get a prize soon.



5 Match the **highlighted** words and phrases in Lucas's and Grace's profiles with the meanings.

- 1 be involved in an activity, with other people
- 2 become better
- 3 someone with no brothers or sisters
- 4 write computer programs
- 5 be very interested in something
- 6 able to stay calm and not get angry, especially when something takes a long time



**IT'S TIME
TO TALK!**



TALKING POINTS

Who would you most like to spend time with – Alfie, Lucas or Grace? Why?

Is it important to have the same interests as your friends? Why? / Why not?