



Reading and Writing Level 1



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Complete the sentences with the correct words from the word bank. You do not need to use all the words.

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Martin: Harry, are you OK? You look worried.

Harry: I am worried. My oldest son just turned 18!

Martin: Oh! That's a difficult time for a parent and child.

Harry: Yes, he has so many responsibilities now. He has a job and he's going to college.

Martin: That's wonderful! You should be happy.

Harry: I am happy, but I also worry that he isn't ready. He doesn't know how to organize his time. He's often late for work or class.

Martin: That's normal. My son is the same. He's a legal adult because the law says he's an adult. I still see a child, however.

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Harry: I know. We have to define the word *adult* in a new way. What is an adult?

Martin: Well, my son is fully grown. He looks like an adult. But his judgment is sometimes poor. He makes bad decisions.

Harry: I know what you mean. My son has all of the rights of an adult. He can drive, and he's going to vote in the next election. But does he act and think like an adult? I don't think so.

Martin: The hardest thing for me sometimes is his independence. He drove to Oregon last month and he didn't ask for my permission. He just said, "Dad, I'm going to Oregon. Bye!"

Harry: I guess that's just life. They're like birds. They fly away.

Martin: But they also come back!

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Read the article. Then choose the best answer for each question.

Moving Back Home

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1. What is the main idea of this article?

- Many young people are being lazy.
- The boomerang generation is a big problem.
- People have different ideas about whether there is a boomerang generation.
- When children move out, parents feel sad.

2. According to a Canadian professor, what percentage of young Canadians lived with their parents in 2001?

- 20%
- 29%
- 46%

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✓ 44%

3. According to Michael Rosenfeld, when was there a great number of young adults living with their parents?

- ✓ in the 1940s
- in the 1990s
- in 2005
- in 2001

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4. What is an *empty nest*?

- a home where the children grew up and left
- a house where the parents moved away
- a house where there are a lot of birds
- a home where the children came back home

5. What does a boomerang do when you throw it?

- It always hits birds and kills them.
- It leaves home and then comes back to its parents.
- It goes a very long distance and lands on the ground.

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6. In 2005, in the United States, what percentage of single women between 20 and 29 lived with their parents?

- 44%
- ✓ 39%
- 40%
- 46%

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7. According to the author, what changed?

- the number of adult children at home
- children's ideas about living at home
- children became lazy and dependent

✓ parents' ideas about their children

8. What is the most important reason for adult children to move back home?

- laziness or no motivation
- love for their parents
- doing poorly in universities

✓ not having money for expenses

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1. The reader doesn't understand ____.

why experts don't agree

✓ what a boomerang is

why this generation is lazy

that this generation is lazy

2. The reader doesn't agree that ____.

✓ this generation is being lazy

people lose their jobs in a bad economy

modern children are more independent

children must do their laundry

3. The reader agrees that ____.

there is a boomerang generation

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this generation is being lazy

✓ adult children must do their own laundry

boomerangs come back to you

4. The reader is interested in the fact that ____.

living on your own is expensive

✓ experts don't always agree

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more young adults lived with their families

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✓ the sentence about how many young Canadians lived with their parents

why experts do not agree about how many boomerang children there are

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ceremony century tie participate collect dive village represents

1. I am from a small village . Its population was only 500.
2. To get a good grade in this class, you have to participate actively. You can't be silent.
3. The color green often represents nature, like green trees and grass.
4. Maria and her husband collect stamps. They have stamps from every country in the world.
5. A wedding is usually a beautiful ceremony .
6. I tie my boat to a tree so it doesn't float away.
7. The 17th century was a very exciting time in France. Louis XVI was king for part of it.
8. I like to dive into the pool.

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1. Most people **voted** for John for class president.

definition 1

✓ definition 2

2. The doctors won't **permit** me to leave the hospital yet.

✓ definition 1

definition 2

3. The **vote** was 96 to 85. Martina won the election.

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definition 2

4. I bought a parking **permit** for the college parking lot.

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5. We counted the **votes** after the election.

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definition 2

6. We **permit** her to go to the dance.

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7. You can't work in that country without a **permit**.

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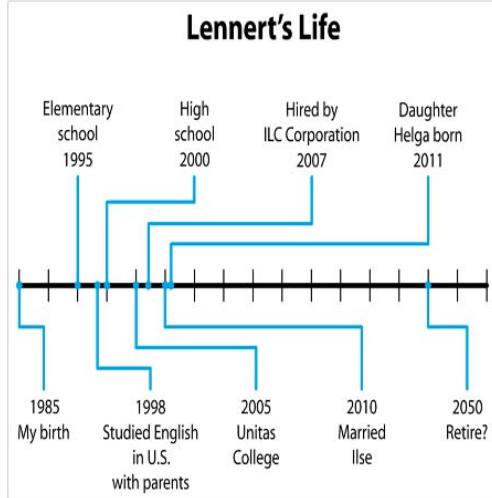


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Look at the timeline of Lennert's life. Then choose the best answer for each question.



1. In what year did Lennert visit the United States in order to study English?

- 1995
- 1998
- 1990
- 1985

2. Where did Lennert get a job?

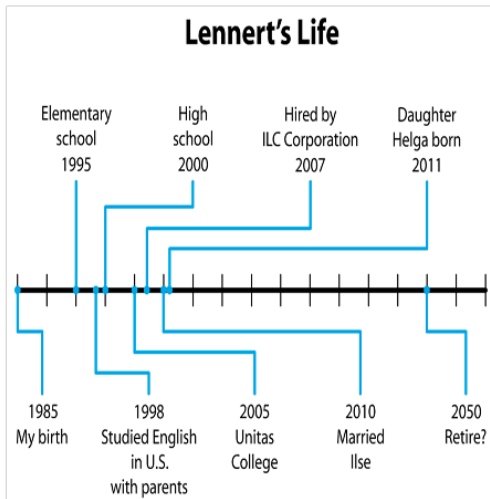
- Elementary School
- Unitas College
- ILC Corporation
- High School

3. When was Lennert born?

- 1995

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3. When was Lennert born?

- 1995
- 1993
- 1990
- 1985

4. What is Lennert hoping to do in 2050?

- study English
- get a better job
- retire from work
- have another child

5. What was Lennert probably doing in 2001?

- going to college

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Lennert's Life

Timeline of Lennert's life:

- 1985: My birth
- 1995: Elementary school
- 1998: Studied English in U.S. with parents
- 2000: High school
- 2005: Unitas College
- 2007: Hired by ILC Corporation
- 2010: Married Ilse
- 2011: Daughter Helga born
- 2050: Retire?

5. What was Lennert probably doing in 2001?

going to college

working in the United States

going to high school

raising a family

6. How old was Lennert when he went to the United States to study English?

13

17

15

10

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7. How old is Lennert going to be in 2050?

50 years old

65 years old

70 years old

55 years old

8. What is the name of Lennert's child?

Unitas

Helga

Ilse

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Choose the correct words or phrases to complete the sentences.

1. We went to the movies yesterday afternoon. , we went out to dinner.
2. I graduated from high school, I moved to New York.
3. My husband and I bought a house I got a good job.
4. In 1995, I graduated with a degree in engineering. I got a great job .
5. Janet moved to Spain, her Spanish improved very quickly.
6. We wanted to start a family we saved enough money to buy a house.
7. We took our son to school for his first day. , we talked about how fast life goes by.
8. I had a really hard time in high school. However, I really enjoyed the years .

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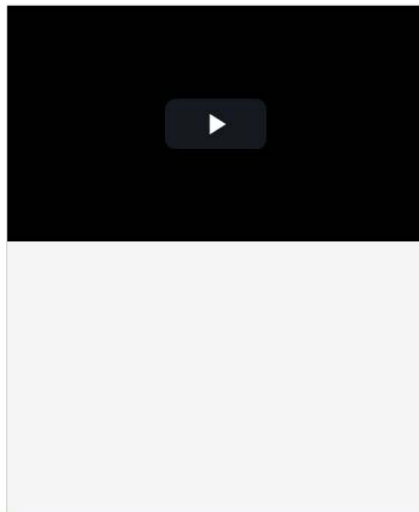
Click **READ** to read about the future with *be going to*. Then choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

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1. We **are going to** go to Beijing for our honeymoon.
2. After I get a job, I'm **going to buy** a new television.
3. I want to have two children. After that, **I'm going to go** back to work.
4. After she arrives, **are you going to** cook dinner?
5. We can watch some television. After that, **I'm going to** study for the test tomorrow.
6. After she finishes this last class, she **is going to graduate** from college.
7. **Is she going to** call tomorrow?
8. After they arrive in England, **are they going to** see Buckingham Palace?

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Watch the video. Choose the best answer to complete the sentences.



1. Michael Wilkie is ____.
 32 years old
 23 years old
2. He works as a ____.
 health teacher
 personal trainer
3. His business was ____.
 not doing well
 very successful
4. He hired Chrissy Carew. She is a ____.
 personal assistant
 life coach
5. She talks to him often to help him feel more ____.
 positive

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	<input type="radio"/> positive
<input checked="" type="radio"/> confident	
6. He is making a new ____.	
<input type="radio"/> health club	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> business plan	
7. Michael is about to ____.	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> graduate from college	
<input type="radio"/> go on a long trip	

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