Module 7

My past life

Module task: Writing about your classmate's past life

Unit 1 I was born in a small village.

Listening and vocabulary

1 Listen and number the questions as you hear them.

a) Who was your first teacher? ☐
b) What was your first school like? ☐
c) Where were you born? ☐
d) Was she strict? ☐

Now answer the questions. Use the words and expressions from the box.

be born friendly nice primary school strict town US

2 Listen again and check (√) the true sentences.

1 Betty was born in the US. ☐
2 Betty was born in a small town. ☐
3 Betty's first school was a big school. ☐
4 There were twenty-two students in Betty's class. ☐
5 Betty's first teacher was strict. ☐

3 Listen and read.

Tony: Hey, Lingling. Where were you born?
Lingling: I was born in a small village in Shanxi Province.
Tony: What was the name of the village?
Lingling: Xucun. Where were you born, Tony?
Tony: I was born in Cambridge. It's a small city in England.
Lingling: What was the name of your first school?
Tony: It was Darwin Primary School.
Lingling: Who was your first teacher?
Tony: My first teacher was Mrs Lane. She was strict but very nice. Who was your first teacher?
Lingling: Ms Yao. She was very friendly. Who were your first friends? What were they like?
Tony: Their names were Becky and Adam. Becky was very good in class but Adam wasn't. He was quite difficult.
Lingling: And what were you like? Were you difficult in class too?
Tony: No, I wasn't. I was very good!

Everyday English

- What were they like?
- I was very good!

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Now choose the correct answer.

1 Was Lingling born in Xucun? Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.
2 Was Tony's first school called Darwin Primary School? Yes, it was. / No, it wasn't.
3 Was his teacher's name Mrs Smith? Yes, it was. / No, it wasn't.
4 Was Mrs Smith Lingling's teacher? Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.
5 Was Ms Yao very friendly? Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.
6 Were Becky and Adam Tony's friends? Yes, they were. / No, they weren't.
7 Was Becky good at school? Yes, she was. / No, she wasn't.
8 Was Tony difficult at school? Yes, he was. / No, he wasn't.

4 Complete the table.

	Born in	First teacher	First school	First friend(s)
Lingling				
Tony				

Pronunciation and speaking

5 Listen and notice the stressed words.

1 — I was born there.
— No, you weren't.
2 — You weren't born in Cambridge.
— Yes, I was.
3 — They were born in China.
— No, they weren't.
4 — He was a teacher.
— No, he wasn't.
5 — She was strict.
— No, she wasn't.

Now listen and repeat.

6 Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions about your past life.

1 Where were you born?
2 What was the name of your primary school?
3 Who was your first teacher?
4 What was he/she like?
5 Who were your first friends?
6 What were they like?
7 What was your favourite subject?
8 How many students were there in your class?

Now tell the rest of the class about your past life.

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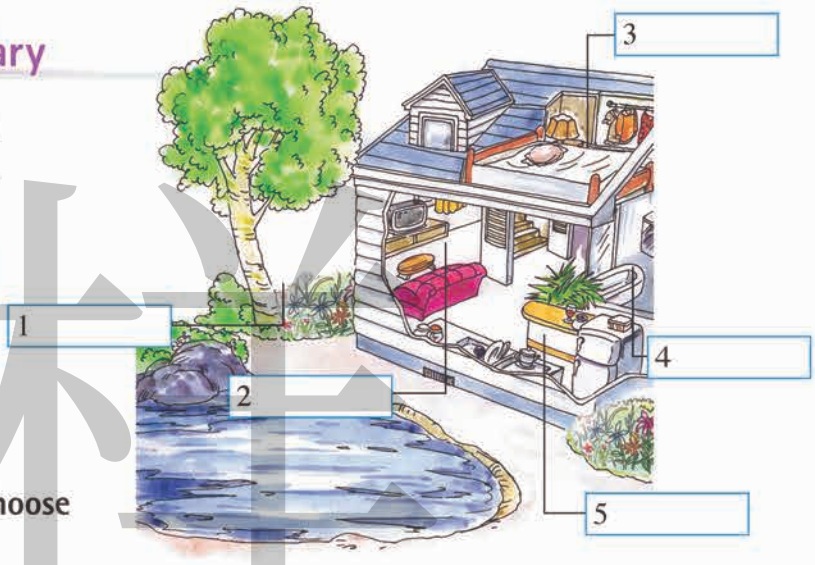
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Unit 2 I was born in Quincy.

Reading and vocabulary

1 Label the picture with the words from the box.

bathroom bedroom
garden kitchen
living room



2 Read the passage and choose the correct answer.

My life in Quincy

By Betty King

I was born in Quincy, a town on the east coast of America, twelve years ago. There were lots of things to do in Quincy, with many stores, two movie theaters, football clubs and basketball teams too. I wasn't bored in Quincy. I was very happy there.

Two presidents of the US, John Adams and his son John Quincy Adams, were born in Quincy. You can visit their old family houses.

Our house was big and comfortable. There was a big living room with a TV, a kitchen, a bathroom and three bedrooms. On my bedroom walls there were pictures of my favorite movie stars.

Behind the house, there was a big garden with lots of trees and there was a small lake with fish in it. It was great to play there.

There were lots of children in Quincy. Many of them were my friends. This was our last home in the US and I was there for the last time in 2010. One day I'll go back, and I'm looking forward to seeing my friends again.

1 Betty was / wasn't happy when she was in Quincy.
2 Two / Three US presidents were born in Quincy.
3 There were / weren't pictures on Betty's bedroom walls.
4 There was / wasn't a small lake in the garden.
5 Betty was / wasn't in Quincy last year.

Learning to learn

Some words in American English (*Am E*) are different in British English (*Br E*).

Am E	*Br E*
movie theater	cinema
store	shop

Some words are different in spelling:

Am E	*Br E*
favorite	favourite
neighbor	neighbour

Write "*Am E*" by American English words and "*Br E*" by British English words.

3 Answer the questions.

1 Were there a lot of things to do?
2 Was anyone famous born there?
3 Who were they?
4 What was Betty's house like?
5 How many rooms were there?
6 What was Betty's bedroom like?
7 Was there a garden?
8 Were there lots of children?

4 Complete the passage with the correct form of the words from the box.

ago bored coast comfortable east president store

Quincy is a small town on the (1) _____, in the (2) _____ of the US. John Adams and his son John Quincy Adams, both (3) _____ of the US, were born in Quincy. Betty was also born there twelve years (4) _____. She lived in a (5) _____ house with several rooms. There was lots to do there, with many (6) _____, so Betty wasn't (7) _____.

Writing

5 Look at the sentences.

There were lots of things to do in Quincy. There were many stores…
There were lots of things to do in Quincy, with many stores...

Now join the sentences with *with*.

1 There was a big living room. There was a TV.
2 There was a big garden. There were lots of trees.
3 There was a small lake. There were fish in it.

Look at the passage in Activity 2 again and check.

6 Answer the questions.

1 When and where were you born?
2 Were you happy there?
3 What was your house like?
4 What was your bedroom like?
5 Were there lots of things to do?

7 Describe your past life with the answers from Activity 6.

I was born in...

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Unit 3 Language in use

Language practice

I was born in Quincy.
My first teacher was Mrs Lane.
I wasn't bored in Quincy.

Were you difficult in class too?
No, I **wasn't**.
Where **were you** born?

1 Work in pairs. Read about Liu Yun. Ask and answer the questions.

	Liu Yun	You	Your partner
Born in	*Tianjin*		
Primary School	*Qiuzhen Primary School*		
First teacher	*Ms Guo*		
First friend(s)	*Feifei, Lulu*		

where / born?
— *Where was she born?*
— *She was born in Tianjin.*

1 what / primary school?
2 who / first teacher?
3 who / first friends?



2 Complete the *You* column in the table in Activity 1.
Now work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions. Complete the *Your partner* column.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *be*.

1 Lingling _____ (not) here last weekend. She _____ in Xucun.
2 — _____ Tony born in Cambridge?
— Yes, he _____.
3 — _____ Daming born in Beijing?
— Yes, he _____.
4 — _____ they at school on Monday?
— No, they _____.
5 — _____ they at home this morning?
— No, they _____.

6 — _____ your first teacher strict?
— Yes, she _____.
7 — _____ your friends at your first school difficult?
— No, they _____.
8 — _____ you happy at your first school?
— Yes, I _____.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word and expressions from the box.

be bored be born lots of on the east coast of primary school town

1 I was a good pupil in _____.
2 — Where _____ you _____?
— In Newton, a small _____ in America.
3 — Can I play a computer game, Mum? I _____.
— You can read your book.
4 Qingdao is in Shandong Province and it is _____ China.
5 There was a new film on yesterday and there were _____ people at the cinema.

Around the world

Hero of South Africa

Nelson Mandela was born in a small village in the Transkei region of South Africa. He was born on 18th July, 1918. He was President of South Africa from 1994 to 1999.



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5 Work in pairs. Talk about your past life with your classmate.
— *When were you born?*
— *I was born...*

6 Write about your classmate's past life.
He/She was born...

safe /seɪf/ *adj.* 安全的 (28)
several /'sevərəl/ *adj.* 几个；一些 (28)
online /ˌɒn'laɪn/ *adj.* 在线的 (28)
shopping /'ʃɒpɪŋ/ *n.* 购物 (28)
* **way** /weɪ/ *n.* 方式；道路 (28)
one of ……之一 (28)
almost /'ɔːlməʊst/ *adv.* 几乎；差不多 (28)
something /'sʌmθɪŋ/ *pron.* 某事物；某种东西 (28)
later /'leɪtə/ *adv.* 后来；以后 (28)
open /'əʊpən/ *adj.* 营业的；开放的 (28)
out /aʊt/ *adv.* 外出；离开 (28)
go out 外出；游玩 (28)
over /'əʊvə/ *prep.* 通过；超过 (28)
one day 总有一天 (28)
one /wʌn/ *pron.*（同一群人或物中）一个 (28)

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bank /bæŋk/ *n.* 银行 (32)
museum /mjuː'ziːəm/ *n.* 博物馆 (32)
along /ə'lɒŋ/ *prep.* 沿着 (32)
across /ə'krɒs/ *prep.* 越过 (32)
cross /krɒs/ *v.* 穿过 (32)
opposite /'ɒpəzɪt/ *prep.* 在……的对面 (32)
tourist /'tʊərɪst/ *n.* 游客 (32)
excuse /ɪk'skjuːz/ *v.* 原谅；谅解 (32)
excuse me 劳驾，对不起（用于礼貌地引起某人的注意） (32)
* **street** /striːt/ *n.* 街道 (32)
turn /tɜːn/ *v.* 换方向 (32)
third /θɜːd/ *num.* 第三 (32)
guidebook /'gaɪdˌbʊk/ *n.* 导游手册；旅行指南 (32)
bookshop /'bʊkˌʃɒp/ *n.* 书店 (32)
right /raɪt/ *int.* 好了（用于变换话题或活动）；是的；好 (32)
Why not...? 为什么不……呢？ (32)
could /kʊd/ *v. aux.* 可以；能 (32)
underground /'ʌndəˌgraʊnd/ *n.* 地铁 (32)
take /teɪk/ *v.* 搭乘；乘坐；固定使用；把（某人）带往；使（某人）到 (32)
tour /tʊə/ *n.*（短期的）参观，游览；旅行 (34)
square /skweə/ *n.* 广场 (34)
middle /'mɪdl/ *n.* 中部；中间 *adj.* 中等的；中部的 (34)
famous /'feɪməs/ *adj.* 著名的 (34)
painting /'peɪntɪŋ/ *n.* 油画；绘画 (34)
from /frɒm; frəm/ *prep.* 从……出发 (34)
metre (*Am E* **meter**) /'miːtə/ *n.* 米 (34)
above /ə'bʌv/ *prep.* 在……上方；在……之上 (34)
* **river** /'rɪvə/ *n.* 河；江 (34)
clear /klɪə/ *adj.*（天气）晴朗的 (34)
bridge /brɪdʒ/ *n.* 桥 (34)
railway /'reɪlweɪ/ *n.* 铁路 (34)
past /pɑːst/ *prep.* 路过（某物或某地）；越过 (34)
church /tʃɜːtʃ/ *n.* 教堂 (34)
finish /'fɪnɪʃ/ *v.* 结束；完成 (34)
* **high** /haɪ/ *adj.* 高的 (35)
post office 邮政局 (36)
up /ʌp/ *prep.* 沿着……而去 (36)
down /daʊn/ *prep.* 沿着 (36)
* **stop** /stɒp/ *n.* 车站 (36)

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* **horse** /hɔːs/ *n.* 马 (39)

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born /bɔːn/ *adj.*（动词 bear 的过去分词）出生 (42)
strict /strɪkt/ *adj.* 严格的；严厉的 (42)
friendly /'frendli/ *adj.* 友好的 (42)
primary /'praɪməri/ *adj.* 初等的；初级的 (42)
primary school 小学 (42)
town /taʊn/ *n.* 城镇；市镇 (42)

US /ˌjuːˈes/ 美国 (42)
hey /heɪ/ *int.* 嘿；喂 (42)
village /ˈvɪlɪdʒ/ *n.* 村庄 (42)
nice /naɪs/ *adj.* 友好的；亲切的 (42)
good /gʊd/ *adj.* 乖的；守规矩的 (42)
difficult /ˈdɪfɪklt/ *adj.* 难对付的 (42)
bathroom /ˈbɑːθˌruːm/ *n.* 浴室 (44)
bedroom /ˈbedruːm/ *n.* 卧室 (44)
garden /ˈgɑːdn/ *n.* 花园 (44)
living room 起居室；客厅 (44)
east /iːst/ *adj.* 东面的；东部的 *n.* 东方 (44)
coast /kəʊst/ *n.* 海岸 (44)
ago /əˈgəʊ/ *adv.* 以前 (44)
store /stɔː/ *n.* 商店 (44)
movie theater (*Br E* **theatre**) 电影院 (44)
bored /bɔːd/ *adj.* 厌烦的；厌倦的 (44)
president /ˈprezɪdənt/ *n.* 总统 (44)
comfortable /ˈkʌmftəbl/ *adj.* 舒适的；舒服的 (44)
* **lake** /leɪk/ *n.* 湖 (44)
last /lɑːst/ *adj.* （星期、月份等）最近过去的，紧接现在前面的 (44)
* **yesterday** /ˈjestədeɪ/ *adv.* （在）昨天 (47)

Module 8

* **hair** /heə/ *n.* 头发 (48)
gold /gəʊld/ *n.* 金色；黄金；金牌 (48)
forest /ˈfɒrɪst/ *n.* 森林 (48)
once /wʌns/ *adv.* 一次；一回 (48)
upon /əˈpɒn/ *prep.* 在……上；到……上 (48)
once upon a time 从前 (48)
decide /dɪˈsaɪd/ *v.* 决定 (48)
go for a walk 散步 (48)
basket /ˈbɑːskɪt/ *n.* 篮子 (48)
notice /ˈnəʊtɪs/ *v.* 注意到 (48)
all alone 独自一人的 (48)
dark /dɑːk/ *adj.* 黑暗的 (48)
pick /pɪk/ *v.* 采；摘 (48)
pick up 拿起；举起 (48)
soon /suːn/ *adv.* 立刻；不久 (48)
lost /lɒst/ *adj.* 迷路的 (48)
around /əˈraʊnd/ *prep.* 环绕着；围绕 (48)
little /ˈlɪtl/ *adj.* 小的 (48)
towards /təˈwɔːdz/ *prep.* 往；向；朝……方向 (48)
knock /nɒk/ *v.* 敲 (48)
* **door** /dɔː/ *n.* 门 (48)
* **answer** /ˈɑːnsə/ *v.* 应门；回答 (48)
push /pʊʃ/ *v.* 推 (48)
enter /ˈentə/ *v.* 进入 (48)
bowl /bəʊl/ *n.* 碗 (48)
* **hungry** /ˈhʌŋgri/ *adj.* 感到饿的；饥饿的 (48)
* **right** /raɪt/ *adj.* 合适的；恰当的 (48)
finish /ˈfɪnɪʃ/ *v.* 吃完；喝完；用尽 (48)
either /ˈaɪðə/ *adv.* 也（不） (50)
piece /piːs/ *n.* 部件；碎片；一件 / 个 / 张 (50)
in pieces 破碎 (50)
asleep /əˈsliːp/ *adj.* 睡着的 (50)
return /rɪˈtɜːn/ *v.* 返回；归还 (50)
* **cry** /kraɪ/ *v.* 哭；喊叫 (50)
at first 起初；首先 (50)
point /pɔɪnt/ *v.* 指向；指 (50)
point at 指着…… (50)
shout /ʃaʊt/ *v.* 高声说；大声喊 (50)
* **jump** /dʒʌmp/ *v.* 跳 (50)
without /wɪðˈaʊt/ *prep.* 无；没有 (50)
part /pɑːt/ *n.* 部分；地区；地方 (52)

Module 9

March /mɑːtʃ/ *n.* 3 月 (54)
April /ˈeɪprəl/ *n.* 4 月 (54)
June /dʒuːn/ *n.* 6 月 (54)
Women's Day 妇女节 (54)
National Day 国庆节 (54)
Children's Day 儿童节 (54)
July /dʒʊˈlaɪ/ *n.* 7 月 (54)