

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 1 Underline and correct six mistakes in the text.

Pedro is from Argentina and he studied languages all his life. Today he could speak five languages very well. He has never studied English at school, but he lived in the USA since two years. He hopes he could speak it fluently soon.

- 1 (studied) has studied
- 2 (could speak) can speak
- 3 (has never studied) didn't study
- 4 (lived) has lived
- 5 (since two years) for two years
- 6 (could speak) will be able to speak

## 2 Rewrite the sentences using the correct form of the words and verbs in brackets.

- 1 She is learning how to use sign language. (be able to / soon)  
She will be able to use sign language soon.
- 2 They moved here four years ago. (live / for)  
They have lived here for four years.
- 3 I have spoken Russian since I was three. (can speak / when)  
I could speak Russian when I was three.
- 4 You joined this team two years ago. (play / for)  
You've played in this team for two years.

## 3 Write questions using the prompts and the correct form of the verbs. Then think of three more questions and practise in pairs.

- 1 how long / know / best friend?  
How long have you known your best friend?
- 2 when / be able to / speak / English / fluently?  
When will you be able to speak English fluently?
- 3 how long / be / at this school?  
How long have you been at this school?
- 4 can / swim / before / you were five?  
Could you swim before you were five?
- 5 how long / have / a mobile phone?  
How long have you had a mobile phone?

## 4 In pairs, ask and answer the questions in Exercise 3.

Students' own answers

5 Complete the text with the correct form of *can*, the present perfect or the past simple of the verbs in the box. You do not need all the verbs.

become can communicate can speak  
can talk can understand know learn  
move not study rain walk

We <sup>1</sup> moved to England a month ago from our home in Turkey. The weather is very different: it <sup>2</sup> has rained for the last two weeks without stopping! I <sup>3</sup> could speak English since I was little and I thought I was quite good, but now I realise I <sup>4</sup> haven't studied it very well. I hope I <sup>5</sup> will be able to talk to my classmates at school next week. I'm sure it will be fine: I <sup>6</sup> have known my friendly neighbours for a week and we <sup>7</sup> could communicate from the first day! I <sup>8</sup> have learned that you can always talk about that with English people!

## 6 Write Omer's diary page using the notes below and the words in brackets.

Sunday 16th February

Boring day! (have)  
Rain started 10 o'clock! (since)  
Football match in park - impossible! (couldn't)  
Study English - three hours (for)  
Tomorrow speaking exam - pass? (will be able to)  
Practise with Dad - when gets home (can)  
When understand English TV? (will be able to)

(Possible answer) I've had a boring day! It's rained since 10 o'clock! We couldn't play the football match in the park - it was impossible! I've studied English for three hours. Will I be able to pass the speaking exam tomorrow? I can practise with Dad when he gets home. But when will I be able to understand English TV?